

Language Arts Rules Changes 2011

1. Change rule LT 20. "In writing the solution, the player ~~must~~ may use one cube from Resources. The change is from "must" to "may."

The change is being made since there are some instances in which a player needs to change his/her solution word due to additional demands. The word the player now wants to make may already be on the mat in the Letters section, and an additional cube from Resources may not be available.

2. Change rule LT 22 A. "It may not be a contraction, hyphenated word, or a proper noun. It may not contain an apostrophe.

We are adding the final sentence about the word to be formed not containing an apostrophe. The change is being made for clarification.

3. In the list of Demands, Middle/JrSr, Letter Q. Clarify the definition of a direct quote when it is called as a demand. Add to the definition: "For the purpose of the game, a direct quote needs to be a complete thought with a subject and a verb and function as a noun clause."

The change is being made because players now try to put miscellaneous words into quotes, including partial sentences, in order to use this demand.

4. Remove the letters N-V, N-V-N, N-V-N-N and similar references from all Order of Play Sheets, Dictionary of Terms, Judges Manual, etc.

The change is being made because players should designate the exact pattern of sentence they are making. The origin of the N-V, etc. is prior to our current sentence designations and they are no longer needed.

5. Make a change on the Scoring Chart. Letter B – change Neutral to 2 points.

The change is being made because this way Neutral only gets 4 points if no one has a correct solution.

*Respectfully submitted,
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