

FOUR WILL GET YOU FIVE

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Have you ever noticed that many four-letter words can be changed to five-letter words by inserting a letter in the middle of the word? For example, BUST can yield BURST; CAGE gives CADGE; and LIER offers LIFER, LINER, LITER and LIVER.

Below are definitions for 30 such word pairs. The combination "styptic - record set" would call for ALUM - ALBUM. Similarly, "skillful - pottery" is solved by DEFT - DELFT. And "storage building - child" inserts an I in BARN to form BAIRN.

To add variety, no alphabetical letter is used more than twice as the insertion letter. All words are from the Pocket Dictionary. In case you miss some, the key five-letter words are listed in Answers and Solutions at the end of this issue.

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| 1. clear - dervish | 16. trust - respond |
| 2. masculine - wood | 17. anxiety - nucleus |
| 3. stuff - choicest part | 18. whirl - wild party |
| 4. cripple - proverb | 19. simmer - disseminate |
| 5. appearance - aft sail | 20. ground cereal - award |
| 6. garden plant - trouble | 21. cheer - automation |
| 7. double - couple | 22. small lake - strike heavily |
| 8. fetter - confined | 23. flutter - cancel claim |
| 9. ruminant - delay | 24. selling - fur mammal |
| 10. repast - opaque element | 25. great - chew noisily |
| 11. level - exhibit vehicle | 26. S. African Dutch - arbor |
| 12. greatest - slightly wet | 27. stocking - equine |
| 13. fastens - multiplied by | 28. slender nail - general |
| 14. rodents - walk primly | 29. surface layer - reeled yarn |
| 15. price - seashore | 30. detest - urgency |