

BEST SCRABBLE GAME, BEST CLABBERS GAME

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In past Word Ways issues, Ron Jerome, Ralph Beaman and Jeff Grant presented high-scoring Scrabble games of 4047, 4142 and 4454 points, respectively. All were based on the word BENZ-OXYCAMPHORS, a word not sanctioned by the National Scrabble Association. The game below, scoring 3986 points, uses only words from the OSPD or Webster's Tenth Collegiate.

M	O	O
I T	V	A X
C O D	E	Y
R E	R	P
O	R A V I G O T E	H
T A	D	I W E
E L	E	N A N
C A R O U S I N G		J I B B
H m	T	U U
N E	I	R E F T
I D	W O L F L I K E	L A
Q A T s	Y	S P A Z
U S	I	M O
E	N	E N
S	G	D E

Scoring Summary (A left over):

68 rousing	70 alameda, arousing
6 rot, ta	6 rote, el
2 re	8 od, oe
10 it, toe	4 hm
3 id	2 at
10 us, alamedas	1277 microtechniques, ne, qat, carousing, cod
24 qats	69 identify
98 ravigote	122 wolflike
146 reinjures	12 jib
4 ab	29 we, wab
5 he	8 hen, an
2 re	5 spa
8 mo, am	7 la, lam
31 ref, flam	9 reft, ta
3 uta	26 en, flame, on
12 flamed	1587 oxyphenbutazone, jibb, spaz, de
pass	18 ax
293 overidentifying	
Total 727	Total 3259

In Clabbers, one is allowed to put down any sequence of letters that can be transposed to a word. The best Clabbers game, given below, scores a total of 4829 points, using only words in the OSPD or Webster's Tenth Collegiate.

O	S	E
N	O	A
E	N	U
Z	J	K
N	S	C
U	V	R
H I	O W L D E G R E	
T O I T T I E	C R N A P F S I	
A L	I F E D R G U A	
B A	T E W I S R A H	
Y b	E A G V L O T M	
X u	M E D O U E N Q	
P A	B Y A E D L I R	
O	I	O
E	N	T

Scoring Summary (I left over):

84 vocitem (vicomte)	15 svocitem (vicomtes)
401 sonjsvocitembin (nonobjectivisms)	5 iec (ice)
121 wrfeaey (freeway, if, et, ae, me, by,	121 lnewgda (wangled), owl, nicer, fie, wet, age, med)
rice)	
137 dadivoe (avoided, wold, carnie,	9 tiecrna (certain)
defi, wite, gave, dome, aby)	
11 ttiecrna (interact)	11 ittiecrna (intricate)
69 iolabua (aboulia, recitation)	156 eprslud (slurped, lowed, crepitition, fried, wites,
	gavel, odeum, bayed)
179 gfgroel (flogger, glowed, petrifaction	149 rsuatni (nutrias, growled, petrifications, figured,
fridge, writes, lovage, meoued, belady)	waiters, voltage, eu demon, beadily)
10 uh (uh, hi)	6 nuh (hun)
15 by (by, ba, by)	10 aby (bay, la)
8 po (op, pa)	15 re (re, glowered)
5 cre (rec)	35 hm (hm, waterish, megavolt)
21 ahm (ham, argufied)	16 ro (or, diablery)
1493 eaukreiahmqrot (microearthquake,	1725 oneznuhxabyxpoe (oxyphenbutazone,
petrifications, queendom)	prettifications, xu)
Total 2554	Total 2275