

THE "A" LIST

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Each entry in the "A" list is made up of two words, names, or phrases that have at least two overlapping letters and in which each blank stands for a consonant, e.g. x A x A x A x x A x (6; 3-4) represents a six-letter word and a two-part name or phrase consisting of a three-letter and a four-letter component. An asterisk denotes the word is capitalized. Since there are thirteen letters in all and only ten positions indicated, we can deduce that there is a three-letter overlap. (M A L (A G A) K H A N) is the solution to this illustrative example.

Presented below are 32 additional entries in the "A" list in which no word is used more than once. How many can you decipher?

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| 1. x A x A x A x A | (6; 6) |
| 2. A x x A x A A x | (6; 6*) |
| 3. x A x A x A x x A x | (6; 7) |
| 4. x A x A x A x A x x A | (6; 7) |
| 5. x A x A A x x x A x x | (6; 8) |
| 6. A x x A x A x A x A x A x | (6; 9) |
| 7. x A x A x A x x A x A x x | (6; 9) |
| 8. A x x A x A x A x x A x | (6; 10*) |
| 9. x A x A x A x A x x | (7; 7) |
| 10. A x x A x x A x A x A x | (7; 7) |
| 11. x A x A x A x x A x A | (7*; 7) |
| 12. x x A x A x A x A x A x x | (7*; 4-4) |
| 13. x A x A x A x x A x A x | (7*; 8) |
| 14. x A x x A x A x A x | (2* 5*; 8) |
| 15. x A x x A x A x A x x A | (7*; 9*) |
| 16. x A x A x x A x x A x x A x | (7*; 9*) |
| 17. x A x x A x A x x A x A x | (3* 5*; 7) |
| 18. x A x x A x A x A x x A | (3* 5*; 7*) |
| 19. x A x x A x x A x A x x A | (8*; 7) |
| 20. x A x A x A x x A x x A | (8; 8) |
| 21. A x x A x x A x x A x x A x | (8*; 9) |
| 22. x A x A x x x A x x A x A x | (2* 6*; 9) |
| 23. x A x x A x A x A x A x x A x | (8; 3-1-3-3) |
| 24. A x x A x x A x x x A x A x x | (8*; 10) |
| 25. x x A x A x x A x A x x A | (9; 6*) |
| 26. x A x x A x A x A x A x | (9; 7) |
| 27. x x A x x x A A x x A x x x A | (9*; 8*) |
| 28. x A x x x A x A x x x A x A x | (9; 5 3) |
| 29. x A x A x x A x x A x A x A x x | (10*; 8) |
| 30. x x A x x x A x x A x A x x x x A x | (5* 5*; 10*) |
| 31. A x x A x A x A x x A x A x | (11; 7*) |
| 32. x A x A x A x A x A x A x A x A | (6* 5*; 7*) |