

Overview

In JOSHO for Windows you try to determine what secret word JOSHO has thought of and at the same time JOSHO tries to guess your secret word. You obtain information about JOSHO's secret word by supplying JOSHO with test words - JOSHO will tell you how many letters in your test word also appear in his secret word. JOSHO will also try to guess your secret word using test words. You and JOSHO take turns submitting test words (you always get to go first) and whoever discovers his opponent's secret word first wins the game.

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How to Count Letters

When JOSHO submits a test word to you, you must tell him how many letters in the test word are also found in your secret word. Double letters in the test word and/or the secret word count once for each common occurrence in both words. For example:

<u>Your secret word...</u>	JOSHO's test word...	Common letters...
snows	house	2 (one s, and o)
snows	blows	3 (one s, o, and w)
snows	slows	4 (two s, o, and w)

JOSHO will also follow these rules when indicating how many letters are common between your test words and his secret word. The common letter counts will appear next to your test words in the Player list box.

Be careful with your responses; an erroneous response will result in disqualification!!

Secret and Test Words

Secret and test words must be English, have exactly 5 letters, and may not be proper nouns.

"New Game" Menu

Select this menu entry when you want to quit the current game, find out what JOSH's secret word is, and begin a new game. Start a new game by pressing the Guess Button.

Guess Button

Click on this button when you are ready to submit a new test word to JOSHO, or when you are ready for JOSHO to take his guess - the button will indicate who's turn is next. A dialog box will open requesting that you type in your test word, or it will ask how many letters in JOSHO's test word are also in your secret word.

Word Worksheet

You can use the "Word Worksheet" to keep track of letters you think are definitely not in JOSHO's secret word and letters you think are probably in JOSHO's secret word. The "Word Worksheet" will also provide a list of all legal words that meet the criteria you have specified.

Click on a letter to cycle between unknown (no mark on letter), not in JOSHO's secret word (slash through letter), and probably in JOSHO's secret word (circled letter).

Help

The help menu loads this file or allows you to find out about JOSHO for Windows.

