

Choose one game or a short set

HOST PAGE 1 | Keep this file separate from every player worksheet

These are proposed original games, digitally checked rather than physically playtested. No questions depend on private facts about the guest of honor or couple. Invite people to play alone, form pairs, help the host or watch.

Game	Player page	Host page	Timed play
Word Sprint	1	2	4 minutes
Four Guests	2	3	6 minutes
Memory Tray	3	4	45 seconds + 2 minutes

Print only what you will use

Choose the matching A4 or Letter files. Print single-sided at Actual Size (100%); use Fit only if your printer clips the outside margin. Never print host answers on the reverse of a player sheet. One player page per person or pair is enough for each chosen game.

A twelve-player example

For twelve individual players and one non-playing host, print twelve copies of each chosen player page. For all three games that is 36 player sheets. Print this four-page host pack once, then three extra copies of host page 4: four memory displays, one per three players. Total: 43 sheets.

Explain and score consistently

Give the same time to everyone. Announce the timer before starting; adjust it for the group before play. Score games separately, share any tied highest score, and do not use arrival speed as a tie-break. Prizes are optional.

Run the memory game

Show page 4 for 45 seconds and read its ten labels aloud once. Let everyone see a copy closely. Hide or collect every display before the two-minute recall period. No notes, photos or answer checking during play. Afterwards reveal page 4 to score.

Suggested session allowance: about 25 minutes for all three games, including explanations, checking and transitions. This is a planning allowance, not a tested event duration. For a quieter moment, choose just one game and let guests skip it.

Word Sprint: review and scoring

HOST PAGE 2 | Examples below are not the only acceptable answers

Award one point when an answer begins with the required letter and reasonably fits its category. Judge the word or phrase as written; do not ignore a leading article to make the letter fit. A sensible plural is fine. Each player must use a different answer in each row. Maximum 8.

Letter	Category	One example
C	Something you could set on a dining table	Candle
R	Something used to wrap or decorate a gift	Ribbon
G	A place where people could gather	Garden
L	A drink that can be served without alcohol	Lemonade
D	The name of a flower	Daisy
B	A dessert or sweet baked treat	Brownie
S	A word connected with music	Song
H	A positive quality you could wish for someone	Happiness

Resolve alternatives without inventing an answer key

Ask the player to explain a doubtful fit in one sentence. Accept the same interpretation for everyone. A wrong initial letter, blank row or duplicate within that player's sheet earns zero. Different players may use the same word.

These sheets use English letters and categories. If your group wants another language, agree on replacement letters and categories before distributing a rewritten sheet. Do not penalize someone for choosing to pair up or sit out.

Four Guests: the complete solution

HOST PAGE 3 | Every person has one time and one different contribution

Person	Arrival	Contribution
Iris	1:20 p.m.	Cups
June	1:40 p.m.	Plates
Noor	1:30 p.m.	Napkins
Tess	1:10 p.m.	Flowers

Score the two columns separately

Award one point for a correct time and one for a correct contribution in each person's row, even if the other cell is wrong. Four people times two cells gives 8 possible points. Tied highest scores share the win.

Why this is the only solution

The cups must arrive ten minutes before the napkins, and the flowers arrive earlier than the cups. Plates already use 1:40, so cups cannot be at 1:30 and napkins at 1:40. Cups cannot be at 1:10 because flowers must be earlier. Therefore cups arrive at 1:20, napkins at 1:30 and flowers at 1:10.

Match people to those deliveries

Iris is at 1:20, so she brings cups. Tess brings flowers, so she is at 1:10. June and Noor take the remaining 1:30 and 1:40 slots. June is later than Noor, so Noor brings napkins at 1:30 and June brings plates at 1:40.

The names and situation are fictional. This is a paper puzzle, not the actual shower schedule. The six clues have one complete solution, shown in the table above.

The Ten-Item Memory Tray

HOST PAGE 4 | Display for 45 seconds, then hide before recall



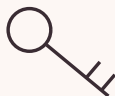
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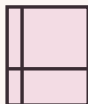
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Teacup



Leaf



Napkin



Bell

Answer check: score only the first item on each of the ten lines, one point per different correct item. Accept bow for ribbon; cup or mug for teacup; serviette for napkin. Recognizable spelling is fine. Do not require color, position or an exact drawing. Repeats earn zero; maximum 10.