**Smart Mouth**

Supplies needed:

* Letters (can be magnet letters, letter tiles, flashcard letters, etc…)
* Post it notes or some other way for students to record answers
* Pencils
* timer

How to play the game:

* Teacher or student randomly draws two letters out of a bag (no peeking!)
* The first letter drawn is for the first letter in the word
* The second letter drawn is for the last letter in the word
* Teacher sets timer for specified amount of time
* Students think of a word that has the two letters drawn in the title and receive points based on their answer. Students receive the following points:

1 point-if they are able to come up with a word that has both letters somewhere in the word

2 points-if they come up with the LONGEST word that has both letters somewhere in the word

3 points-if they come up with a word that begins with the first letter and ends with the last letter

4 points-if they come up with the LONGEST word that begins with the first letter and ends with the last letter

Example: the letter T is drawn first, the letter E is drawn second:

**1 point answer:** stores (there is a T & E somewhere in the word)

**2 point answer:** September (this is the longest word a student thought of that has a T & E somewhere in the word)

**3 point answer:** toe (this is a word that has a T at the beginning and an E at the end of the word)

**4 point answer:** turtle (this is the longest word a student thought of that has a T at the beginning of the word and an eEat the end of the word)