

Dialect Dominoes

Welcome to our game of Dialect Dominoes! In this pack you'll find domino tiles with well known (and some lesser well known) dialect words.

How to play dominoes

- Dominoes works best with 2-4 players.
- Lay the tiles face down on the table and shuffle them.
- Each player should pick 7 tiles and stand them up on their sides so their opponents can't see what they have. Keep the rest of the dominoes, still face down, to one side.
- Pick a player to lay the first tile.
- Players then take turns laying a tile at a time which matches those already laid on the table. E.g. a breadcake tile can join onto another breadcake tile.
- If a player can't go, they must pick up a tile from the pile of left over dominoes. They must either play the domino, or if they can't use it, keep it.
- The winner is the person who gets rid of their tiles first.

Quick questions

- How many of these words do you use in everyday life?
- Which of these words were new to you?
- Did any of these words bring back memories, maybe of family members who used them?

Good luck!

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dominoes



wet

Southern counties
and Isle of Man

scoff

Norfolk

haining

Somerset

spile

Lancashire, Yorkshire

tanklets

Northumberland

yolt

Gloucestershire

damp

Berkshire

brew

gaunge

Yorkshire

draw

Southern counties

hoying

Co. Durham,
Northumberland

make

Midlands and
Southern counties

spell

Northern counties

mash

Country-wide

snipes

Northamptonshire

mask

Northumberland, Cumbria

**yellow-
belly**

Essex

soak

South West

champ

Worcestershire, Norfolk

gobble

hocksing

Cambridgeshire

granch

Worcestershire

spool

Yorkshire

guzzle

Country-wide

izles

Berkshire

larp

Monmouthshire

tiddlywink

Essex

maunch

Cornwall

chucking

Country-wide

throwing

sliver

Essex

pegging

Cheshire

ickles

Derbyshire, Yorkshire

pelting

Northern counties
and East Midlands

padgy-poll

Cornwall

socking

Northamptonshire

pricker

Lancashire

splinter

ice- candles

Dorset, Lincolnshire,
Yorkshire

shiver

Norfolk

naskgel

Worcestershire

slither

East Anglia
and South East

daglers

Hampshire

icicles

esk

Yorkshire

**clinker-
bells**

Somerset, Dorset

askert

Yorkshire, Northumberland,
Lancashire

newt