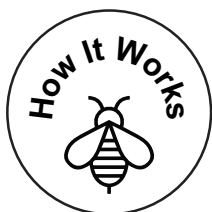


'BURQUE BEE RULES 2026



- 'Burque Bee is a team spelling bee
- Teams have three members.
- There will be three winners: 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.
- Winning teams are determined by points earned.



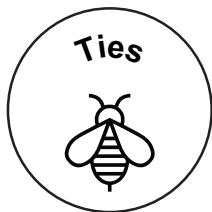
- Word Categories: 1-point and 2-points.
- Play will begin with 3 rounds of 1-point words. Then play will continue with 3 rounds of 2-point words.
- The Emcee says the word, defines it, uses the word in a sentence, and says the word again.
- Teams confer for 30 seconds and then spell the word.
- If they spell the word correctly, the word's point value is added to their score.



- Teams start with 1 Help Coupon, 1 Sting Coupon and 1 More Time Coupon.
- More Time. A team gets 30 more seconds to confer.
- Help. A team can ask an audience member to spell the word. The Emcee will choose the audience member.
- Sting. Pass the word to a competing team. If they cannot spell the word, the point value is deducted from its score. This counts as both teams' turn in this round.
- Teams can purchase additional coupons for \$5.00 each.



Judges are responsible for ensuring fair play and settle any challenges by teams. Judges' decisions on challenges are final.



- Breaking Ties. In the event of a tie for 1st, 2nd, and/or 3rd place, tying teams will participate in sudden death overtime.
- A coin toss will determine who spells first.
- Teams cannot use coupons during overtime.
- The Emcee will choose a 2-point word. Team 1 will have 30 seconds to confer and spell the word. If Team 1 fails to spell the word, Team 2 has 10 seconds to confer and spell the word.
- If Team 2 does not spell the word, the Emcee chooses another 2-point word and repeats until a team spells the word correctly