

# How to Make a Crossword Puzzle

Step 1: Think of a theme like a holiday, types of foods, places in the world, or characters from your favorite show or movie!

Step 2: Make a list of words. Use however many you want for a big or small crossword puzzle.

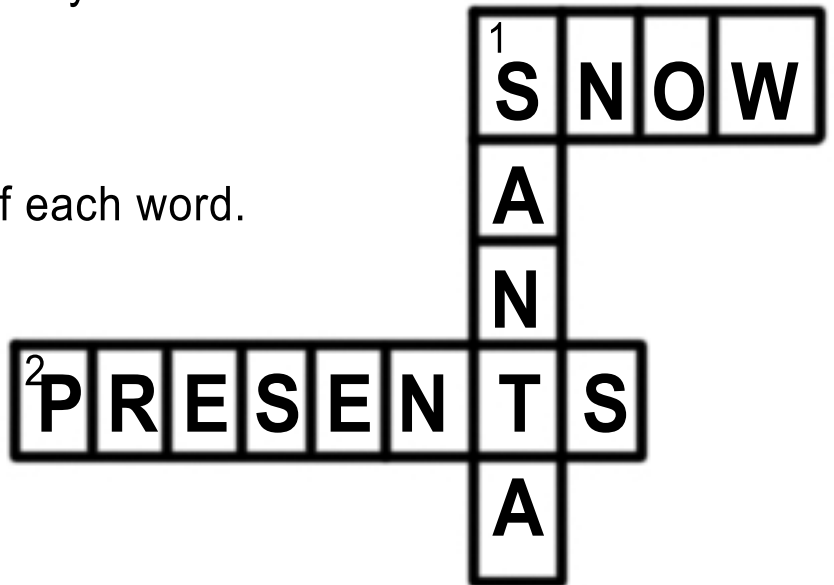
Step 3: Arrange your words! Each word only needs one letter in common with the next to combine them. See the example below.

Step 4: Draw boxes around the letters with a thick black marker.

Step 5: Put another piece of paper on top of the crossword puzzle and trace only the boxes.

Step 6: Add numbers to the start of each word.

Step 7: Think of clues for each word. See the examples below.



1 Down: The person who delivers gifts on Christmas morning.

1 Across: Frozen rain

2 Across: Another word for gifts.