LAST PERSON STANDING
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At the beginning of each round, I will announce three letters, and you should write a word that contains each letter. The letters can appear in any order, and you can add as many letters as you want to form a word.

Then I will announce a fourth letter. Now you should write another word, this time containing each of the four letters that have been announced. If your original word contained the fourth letter, you may use that word again.

I will continue announcing letters one at a time, and each time you should write a word that contains each of the letters drawn so far. As always, the letters may appear in any order within your word, and you may add as many additional letters to the letters that have been drawn in order to form a word. You may repeat words as long as they have all of the required letters at each step.

When you can no longer think of a word that has all of the letters announced so far, you should sit down. Your goal is to be the last person standing.

Example:	(turn #1: letters are AEI)	ASIDE
	(turn #2: add T)	IRATE
	(turn #3: add X)	MATRIXES
	(turn #4: add another A)	EXTRAORDINARY
	(turn #5: add L)	EXTRAORDINARILY
	(turn #6: add N)	EXTRAORDINARILY again
	(turn #7: add G)	I can't think of anything, so I sit down and stop

A secondary objective is for your words to be as short as possible. In the above example, it would be better to write IDEA on turn 1 and AVIATRIXES on turn 4.

Other information:

- Each word must be in the current Merriam-Webster collegiate or unabridged dictionary (11C or NI3). No capitalized words, hyphenated words, etc.

- If a letter is drawn two or more times, it must appear multiple times in your words (e.g., the second A in the above example).

- 45 seconds per turn.

- I will sample without replacement from a set of Scrabble tiles with the blanks removed.

Name _____

Round 1

1. __ __ __ _____
2. __ _____
3. __ _____
4. __ _____
5. __ _____
6. __ _____
7. __ _____
8. __ _____
9. __ _____
10. __ _____

Round 2

1. __ __ __ _____
2. __ _____
3. __ _____
4. __ _____
5. __ _____
6. __ _____
7. __ _____
8. __ _____
9. __ _____
10. __ _____

Round 3

1. __ __ __ _____
2. __ _____
3. __ _____
4. __ _____
5. __ _____
6. __ _____
7. __ _____
8. __ _____
9. __ _____
10. __ _____

Round 4

1. __ __ __ _____
2. __ _____
3. __ _____
4. __ _____
5. __ _____
6. __ _____
7. __ _____
8. __ _____
9. __ _____
10. __ _____