

Free games to play online – with friends

There are many hundreds of games you can play and connect with friends, via app, browser or Facebook. (As with much free content, there are often pop up ads in between rounds which can get in the way: it's possible to pay a fee to remove these if you really want).

It's worth noting that the speed of your home broadband may affect the gameplay. Here is a selection of some of the most popular.

APPS

Apps are downloaded to your phone or tablet, and you can connect to others or invite friends in different ways – via the Apple game centre, Google play games, Facebook etc.

Be wary of in-app purchases which may be on offer, to add extra lives, features etc.

Uno

The popular card game where the first one to give away all their cards wins. Practice playing as a guest to hone your skills, then connect with others or invite friends to play against them. There is a chat function which can be muted.



Scattergories

Think fast – and come up with words beginning with a letter that fits into the given category. The rarer the word, the more points to win. Play by inviting friends or play a random opponent.



Who Wants to Be a Millionaire

The popular game show, you can play against a bot or connect via Facebook – all the features of the show are included.



Wheel of Fortune

Another popular game show, where you spin the wheel and solve word puzzles. This one is American so some of the puzzles may be trickier! A chat function is included.



Words with Friends

Similar to Scrabble and just as challenging – practice your wordsmithery with friends via Facebook or challenge a bot.



Draw Something

A bit like Pictionary – draw a picture and your opponent guesses. It's harder than it sounds, and a stylus pen makes it easier if you have one! Connect with Friends via Facebook.



Lots of fun and easy to pick up. Download the game, create a Nintendo account (or log in if you already have one), and play for free – connect with friends to race each other.



Infinite Word Search Puzzles

The clue is in the title, 130 plus categories of classic word searches to do. You can play solo or against a random opponent. Play against friends via Facebook.



Golf Clash

It's easy to become totally immersed in this vivid expanse of green, even if you know nothing of golf. Play against online challengers or your Facebook friends in real time tournaments or one to one matches. Online chat function included.



8 Ball Pool

Easy to play and many modes to choose from. You can practice offline to hone your skills, then challenge friends or randomly selected players.



TABLETOP GAMES

<http://playingcards.io/>

Playing Cards IO lets you play table top games in your browser, for free. Play on your own or Invite others to join in via your own game room. Games include Chess, Go Fish, Match Up and more. You can even create your own.



FACEBOOK GAMES

Facebook has lots of instant games to play with friends online – no downloading or additional apps required. Includes Draw Something, Words with Friends, Uno and Ludo.

Select GAMES from the menu at the left hand side of the screen on a PC, or choose GAMING from the 3-line menu on the bottom left of the screen when using the Facebook app on a mobile device. Then tap PLAY GAMES from the grey options at the top.

