

# CANNIBAL HOUSEWIVES

C: Let's play a game of Scrabble! I got a new set.

H: OK, sounds like bloody good fun.

C: Great, I'll go first. (*plays five tiles.*) This is a website that helps you find long-lost friends so you can have them for dinner. 592 points.

H: What is the deal with this set? I've never used these tiles before. (*plays four tiles.*) Some people think this is a disease, and it has an anonymous support group. 185 points.

C: I know the tiles are unusual, but the board is exactly the same. (*plays three tiles.*) This is a synonym of "hermit." 286 points.

H: I don't think I can get used to this. (*plays one tile.*) This is a pronoun. 141 points.

C: The principle is exactly the same. (*plays four tiles.*) These swell and lead to a climax. In music, of course. 437 points.

H: Sigh. How many tiles are there anyway? (*plays two tiles.*) Almost everyone rides in this kind of vehicle exactly once, unless we eat them first. 54 points.

C: Not many more than a standard set. (*plays four tiles.*) My long fingernails make these. 258 points.

H: Maybe I'll beat you if I make more than one word at a time. (*plays two tiles.*) One of these words is an unexpected complication and the other is a mountainous feature. 168 points.

C: That's a neat trick but it works better when you do it like this. (*plays four tiles.*) One of these words is a very fiery word and the other is now much bigger than yours. 442 points.

H: Holy crap! (*plays two tiles.*) I wish I had one of these so I could kill and eat you. 73 points.

C: The way things are going for you right now, you'd miss. (*plays five tiles.*) This is a Beastie Boys song title. 342 points.

H: I see you used the highest-value tile on that play. (*plays two tiles.*) This is a simple type of crystal lattice. 118 points.

C: I'm just lucky I guess. (*plays three tiles.*) This is good if it describes a pastry crust, bad if it describes a person. 248 points.

H: Are you going to double my score every turn? (*plays one tile.*) I feel like I'm coming down with this. 80 points.

C: I can do better than that. (*plays three tiles.*) One word describes Ponzi schemes and the other is something French. 750 points.

H: Are you kidding me? You scum! (*plays one tile.*) This is a small body of water. 144 points.

C: Well I'm having fun. (*plays four tiles.*) One of these words describes the sort of blokes who might run Ponzi schemes and the other is a leafy vegetable. 729 points.

H: I wish I was having fun. (*plays two tiles.*) One of these words is a part of a street and the other is a synonym for clothing. 165 points.

C: Someday you'll get the hang of this. (*plays two tiles.*) One of these words is a Spice Girl and the other is the type of music they play. 283 points.

H: How is this even possible? (*plays two tiles.*) This is a book of the Old Testament. 72 points.

C: I think it's quite elementary. (*plays three tiles.*) This is how you remove a body part so you can eat it. 502 points.

H: Finally! (*plays seven tiles.*) Bingo! You can look up that definition and score it if you want. But I win! There's hardly any place left to play on this board.

C: \$&#^&!