

## Ontario Skills Passport – SkillsZONE

### Notes for Educators/Trainers

The Ontario Skills Passport (OSP) SkillsZONE features three online games: Trivia Game, Crossword and Word Search. Each game provides learners with an opportunity to learn more about the OSP and the Essential Skills and work habits important in work, learning and life. Questions are in a rotating database so learners can play the games many times without getting the same questions.

Learners will benefit most from playing the games after they have had the opportunity to become familiar with the OSP website. Check out the [OSP Flow Chart](#) to get an overview of the OSP and how you can use it.

Technical Requirements: You will require Adobe Flash Player installed for the game to work. The free player is available for download. Get [Adobe Flash Player](#).

**SkillsZONE Trivia Game:** This game is a “jeopardy-style” game. The game is divided into three rounds of play with a total of 25 questions. At the end of the game a total will be displayed and an invitation to play again. The game includes sounds effects and background music (which can be turned off by clicking on the speaker in the bottom right corner). The entire game can be played within 10 minutes.

**Crossword:** This online game is a traditional ‘crossword’ game with OSP specific keywords. Clicking on the ACROSS or DOWN questions/statements will highlight the corresponding letter box in the puzzle. Similarly, clicking on a letter box will highlight the question. Users complete the word puzzle by typing the missing word from the statements. This game has a time limit of 5 minutes and includes the option to have the crossword solved for you or to start over.

**Word Search:** This game is based on the traditional ‘word search’ game. A bank of OSP specific keywords are presented and the player must find the words in a grid of letters. This is accomplished by dragging the mouse across the word and then releasing the mouse when you reach the end of the word. Words can run horizontally, vertically, diagonally and backwards. As you find the words they will remain circled and crossed off in the list of words. Points are awarded for correct attempts while points are deducted for incorrect attempts. The time limit for this game is 10 minutes and you have the option to restart the game at any time.

All games can be ended at any time by clicking on the ‘X’ on the top right of the window.