MINDSPEAK™

TESTERS EDITION

Gospel Edition · Conspiracy Edition

FREE TO HAVE AND PLAY

Thank you for testing Mindspeak. This game is a conversation in a box: one player — the Mindspeaker — reads a card and gives a one-sentence clue shaped by a secret reading (a lens). Everyone else guesses which lens the clue came from. There is no trivia and no single right answer; the fun is in how different minds read the same words.

Inside: 6 Gospel cards and 6 Conspiracy cards, each with its secret back. Print the fronts and backs, cut the cards, and keep the backs hidden from guessers.

What testers send back: which card split the room (best cards split guesses near 40/60), which readings surprised you, any card you would cut — and whether the talk kept going after the scoring stopped. That last one matters most.

— Marquis Campbell (M.S. Payne), Mead, Oklahoma · Mindspeak™ is a work in progress; testers are required, not optional.

HOW A ROUND RUNS

1. The Mindspeaker draws a card, reads the prompt aloud, and secretly picks one lens from the card's back.
2. The Mindspeaker gives ONE sentence as a clue — 30 seconds, no naming the lens. Bluffing is allowed.
3. Every other player guesses the lens. Correct guessers score 2 points.
4. The Mindspeaker scores 1 point per correct guesser — but if EVERYONE matches, the Mindspeaker scores 0. A clue everyone reads the same way was too easy.
5. First to 15 points wins, or highest score after everyone has been Mindspeaker twice. 3–8 players, ages 8+.

GOSPEL · G-01

“He fed thousands with almost nothing to start with.”

Pick a lens in secret. One sentence. Do not name it.

GOSPEL · G-02

“The youngest son came home, and his father ran to meet him.”

Pick a lens in secret. One sentence. Do not name it.

GOSPEL · G-03

“She gave two small coins, and it counted as more than the large gifts.”

Pick a lens in secret. One sentence. Do not name it.

GOSPEL · G-04

“The workers hired last were paid the same as those who had worked all day.”

Pick a lens in secret. One sentence. Do not name it.

GOSPEL · G-05

“He told them to cast the net again, on the other side.”

Pick a lens in secret. One sentence. Do not name it.

GOSPEL · G-06

“A seed fell on four soils, and only one soil bore fruit.”

Pick a lens in secret. One sentence. Do not name it.

Lenses for this edition: Literal / Context-Teacher / Heart / Everyday Life. Shape your clue from one reading. Never read a back aloud.

G-01 · BACK

“He fed thousands with almost nothing to start with.”

Literal	A crowd was fed from a small amount of food that was shared and multiplied.
Context / Teacher	In that place and time, a shared meal in the wilderness was provision where no market or kitchen existed.
Heart	God can do much with a little that is surrendered willingly. Small offerings are not small to Him.
Everyday Life	What I have feels too little to offer — until I actually place it in God's hands.

G-02 · BACK

“The youngest son came home, and his father ran to meet him.”

Literal	A father welcomed his returning son before the son had even finished arriving.
Context / Teacher	In that culture, a dignified elder did not run. The father's haste itself carried the meaning.
Heart	Grace moves first. The welcome came before the apology was finished.
Everyday Life	Coming back is hard. Being met with open arms is what makes return — and offering that welcome to others — possible.

G-03 · BACK

“She gave two small coins, and it counted as more than the large gifts.”

Literal	A woman gave a tiny amount, and it was valued above much larger donations.
Context / Teacher	Giving in the temple courts was public, so both the amount and the motive were on display.
Heart	God measures the cost to the giver, not the size of the gift.
Everyday Life	A small kindness given at real cost can outweigh a grand gesture given from leftovers.

G-04 · BACK

“The workers hired last were paid the same as those who had worked all day.”

Literal Late-hired workers received a full day's pay, equal to those hired at dawn.

Context / Teacher A day's wage was survival: it was what a worker's family needed for that day.

Heart Generosity is not unfairness. Grace gives what is needed, not only what is earned.

Everyday Life Someone else's blessing does not shrink mine — even when theirs arrives sooner than I expected.

G-05 · BACK

“He told them to cast the net again, on the other side.”

Literal After a fruitless night, they fished again at His word, and the catch was overwhelming.

Context / Teacher Experienced fishermen would normally trust their own judgment over a suggestion called from shore.

Heart Obedience after disappointment is still obedience. The second cast is an act of faith.

Everyday Life Trying again in the same place, after it did not work, is sometimes exactly what faith asks.

G-06 · BACK

“A seed fell on four soils, and only one soil bore fruit.”

Literal Seed sown in different kinds of ground produced very different results.

Context / Teacher Listeners who farmed pictured their own fields: rocky, thorny, trampled, and good soil were daily sights.

Heart The seed is good in every case. What differs is the heart that receives it.

Everyday Life Hearing is not the same as growing. What I do after the service decides the harvest.

CONSPIRACY · C-01

A flat-topped tower of stone stands alone in the Wyoming hills, grooved straight down its sides like bark.

Pick a lens in secret. One sentence. Do not name it.

CONSPIRACY · C-02

A ship was found sailing itself across the Atlantic — sails set, cargo whole, and not one soul aboard.

Pick a lens in secret. One sentence. Do not name it.

CONSPIRACY · C-03

A book written in a language no one has ever read, full of plants that do not exist, has sat in libraries for six hundred years.

Pick a lens in secret. One sentence. Do not name it.

CONSPIRACY · C-04

In 1997, microphones on the ocean floor heard a sound that carried three thousand miles — and nothing known was big enough to make it.

Pick a lens in secret. One sentence. Do not name it.

CONSPIRACY · C-05

In 1518, a woman began to dance in the street and could not stop. Others joined her. Some danced until they dropped.

Pick a lens in secret. One sentence. Do not name it.

CONSPIRACY · C-06

In 1908, something flattened eighty million trees across Siberia — and left no crater, and no piece of itself behind.

Pick a lens in secret. One sentence. Do not name it.

Lenses for this edition: Literal / Cynic / Naturalist / Wild Card. Shape your clue from one reading. Never read a back aloud.

C-01 · BACK

“A flat-topped tower of stone stands alone in the Wyoming hills, grooved straight down its sides like bark.”

Literal	The cooled heart of an old volcano, left standing after the softer rock around it wore away. Settled science, nothing more.
Cynic	It's a legend that stuck. A devil's name on a sacred place draws a crowd, and crowds draw money.
Naturalist	It's stone, weather, and time. Given enough years, erosion carves stranger things than this.
Wild Card	It's the stump. Something grew there once that touched the sky, and somebody cut it down.

C-02 · BACK

“A ship was found sailing itself across the Atlantic — sails set, cargo whole, and not one soul aboard.”

Literal	The Mary Celeste, found sound and empty in 1872. The crew abandoned her for reasons the record never settled.
Cynic	A sound ship with her cargo was salvage gold. Finding her 'abandoned' paid a finder far better than finding her crewed.
Naturalist	Feared fumes from the alcohol cargo, a waterspout, a bad scare in rough seas — a crew can leave a good ship fast, and never be found to explain it.
Wild Card	Whatever took them left no mark on the cargo or the sails — because it came from above, or from below, without touching anything else.

C-03 · BACK

“A book written in a language no one has ever read, full of plants that do not exist, has sat in libraries for six hundred years.”

Literal	The Voynich manuscript: a 15th-century book in an unknown script or cipher that has never been broken.
Cynic	Rare-book money has flowed around it for centuries. A mystery worth that much has every reason to stay unsolved.
Naturalist	Most likely a medical or herbal text in a lost shorthand — or a very good period hoax. Strange is not the same as supernatural.
Wild Card	A book that refuses every reader for six centuries might not have been written for human eyes in the first place.

C-04 · BACK

“In 1997, microphones on the ocean floor heard a sound that carried three thousand miles — and nothing known was big enough to make it.”

Literal The 'Bloop': an enormous ultra-low sound recorded in the Pacific in 1997, origin officially unexplained at the time.

Cynic Those microphones were Cold War listening gear. Plenty they heard was never meant for a press release, and some files are easier left mysterious.

Naturalist The best-supported answer is ice: a colossal iceberg cracking and grinding along the sea floor can boom across an ocean.

Wild Card Its profile matched a living creature's — something far larger than a blue whale, down in water mankind has barely looked into.

C-05 · BACK

“In 1518, a woman began to dance in the street and could not stop. Others joined her. Some danced until they dropped.”

Literal The Dancing Plague of Strasbourg, 1518: a documented outbreak in which people danced for days on end.

Cynic The town council hired musicians and built a stage, meaning to cure it by spectacle — and the spectacle fed the crowd that fed the dancing.

Naturalist Ergot, a fungus on rye bread, can poison a whole town into spasms that look exactly like dancing. Bad bread, not bad spirits.

Wild Card A saint's curse was the explanation then. Whatever it was, it passed from body to body like a tune nobody could unhear.

C-06 · BACK

“In 1908, something flattened eighty million trees across Siberia — and left no crater, and no piece of itself behind.”

Literal The Tunguska event: a vast explosion over Siberia in 1908 leveled a forest the size of a county. No impact crater was ever found.

Cynic A remote blast in the Tsar's backwoods got a thin investigation. Empires do not spend money on empty forest, and later governments were in no hurry either.

Naturalist A meteor or comet fragment burst in the air before it could strike. An airburst flattens everything and leaves no crater — it fits every fact standing.

Wild Card An inventor's wireless death-ray test, a speck of antimatter, a craft that didn't make it — an evidence drawer that empty invites every theory ever built.

Which cards split your room?

For each card you played, jot the split (for example 3–2), whether the talk kept going after scoring, and any reading that surprised the table. Best cards split close to 40/60. Unanimous cards get cut — tell us those too.

	split + talked after? (Y/N)	surprise / cut?
G-01		
G-02		
G-03		
G-04		
G-05		
G-06		
C-01		
C-02		
C-03		
C-04		
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C-06		

Card you would cut, and why:

Best moment at the table:

Send word back through the person who handed you this deck. Thank you for testing — Mindspeak™, Mead, Oklahoma.