

Cheat

A great card game that will be enjoyed by everyone playing. A great family night game for the whole family.

What you need

A deck of cards

2-6 players

Activity

Deal out all the cards to the players.

The aim of this game is to get rid of all your cards.

On the table is a discard pile, which starts empty.

A turn consists of getting rid of one or more cards face down on the pile, and calling out their rank.

The first player must discard Aces, the second player discards Twos, the next player Threes, and so on.

After Tens come Jacks, then Queens, then Kings, then back to Aces, etc.

Since the cards are discarded face down, you do not in fact have to play the rank you are calling.

For example if it is your turn to discard Sevens, you may actually discard any card or mixture of cards; in particular, if you don't have any Sevens you will be forced to play some other card or cards.

Any player who suspects that the card discarded by a player do not match the rank called can challenge the play by calling "Cheat!"

Then the cards played by the challenged player are exposed and one of two things happens:

1. If they are all of the rank that was called, the challenge is false, and the challenger must pick up the whole discard pile
2. If any of the played cards is different from the called rank, the challenge is correct, and the person who played the cards must pick up the whole discard pile.

After the challenge is resolved, play continues in normal rotation: the player to the left of the one who was challenged plays and calls the next rank in sequence.

The first player to get rid of all their cards and survive any challenge resulting from their final play wins the game.

Notes

If there are a lot of players, you may use two or more packs shuffled together.

You can change the sequence of ranks to start from the lowest number to the highest eg 1 to Ace.