# Deadline

4 player card game Standard deck of cards with 2 jokers required to play



## Game Setup

- 1. The dealer shuffles the deck and gives each player 7 cards. Players are to keep their hands hidden from the other players during play.
- 2. The remaining cards form the draw pile in the center of the table
- 3. Flip one card over to start the discard pile
- 4. The dealer starts the game

## **Objective**

Players work to build complete "assignments" (sets or runs of three) in order to score well on the midterm and final.



## Complete assignments:

A set of 3 or more cards of the same rank

(Example: three 7s of different suits)

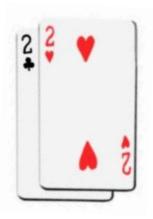
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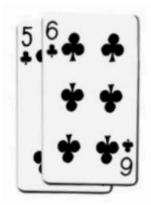
A run of 3 or more cards in sequence of the same suit

(Example:  $4 \blacklozenge$ ,  $5 \blacklozenge$ ,  $6 \blacklozenge$ , +)



## *Incomplete assignments:*





A set of 2 cards

A run of 2 cards

The student that scores the most points at the end of the Final Exam wins.

• Completed assignments are worth the value of the highest card played.

o Unplayed cards are worth their negative value at the end of the game.

## Receiving a JOKER:

Receiving a Joker is a disadvantage in the final scoring of the game and handicaps a player during play. They should be avoided, but can **NOT** be discarded. A Joker may only leave your hand if another player draws it from you after a rotation. \*See scoring on the last page for more information.



## First half of the semester:

- The dealer becomes the "leader" for each round of the game.
- On your turn:
  - Draw 1 card from either the top of the discard pile or the main deck at the center of the table.
  - o Discard 1 card.
- Play continues clockwise until 1 full rotation.
  - Starting with the game's leader, each player must then take a card from the student to their right and place it face down in front of them.
  - Once everyone has a new card, they may pick it up and add it into their hand
- After 3 full rotations, and 3 rounds of the card exchange, students face the midterm

## The Midterm

During the Midterm, all students are expected to:

- Play any completed assignments and place them in front of them face up.
- Play any incomplete assignments (at least 2 cards that begin a set or run).
  - Optional: Play onto another player's assignments for "Extra Credit" that counts toward your score later. These cards are placed horizontally above any submitted assignments.

#### \*Preview the illustration on the next page for an example of card layout.

• Beginning again with the game's leader, everyone draws back up to 7 cards.

## The Second half of the semester:

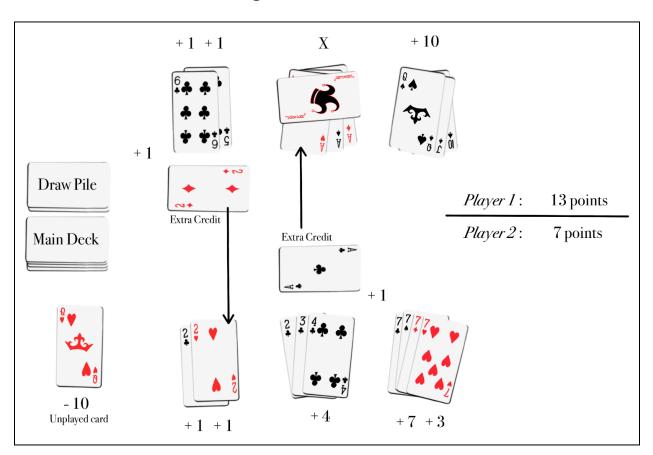
- The normal class schedule resumes and students complete another 3 rotations.
- You must wait until the final exam to play on existing assignments.

#### The Final Exam

After 3 more rotations, the Final Exam begins

- Just like in the Midterm:
  - Students play completed assignments, incomplete assignments, or Extra Credit onto other student's assignments in play.

## Card Placement and Scoring - Example



## Scoring (Grading)

#### Jokers:

- If you draw a Joker during the game, you must keep it in your hand. You cannot discard it.
- A Joker may only leave your hand if another player draws it from you after a rotation.
- Scoring penalty: At the end of the game, a Joker cancels out your lowest-scoring completed assignment.
  - o If you have no completed assignments, it cancels one of your extra credit cards.

#### Completed Assignments (sets/runs of 3)

- Take the score of the highest value card in the assignment. For example,
  - $8 \spadesuit = 8$  points in a run of  $6 \spadesuit$ ,  $7 \spadesuit$ ,  $8 \spadesuit$
  - 7 = 7 points in a set of three 7's
- A completed assignment with (four or more) cards is worth an additional 3 points

Incomplete Assignments (sets/runs of 2) & Extra Credit cards

• 1 point per card in play

Unplayed cards in hand are worth the negative value of their face value. For example,

• 9 = -9 points

Winning: The player with the highest total score after the Final Exam is the winner!