

Humpty Dumpty Card Games

INSTRUCTIONS

These are the simplest card games that younger ones will feel very grown up playing. As well as learning to play together and take turns it also gives them a chance to get to grips with some of their shapes and colors.

For most of the games you need to print out the cards twice (except for Humpty who is unique!) and print them onto the backing sheet. For the Memory Game you also need to print out Humpty's wall.

MEMORY GAME

You will need cards x 2 (no Humpty Card) plus Humpty Wall Board

Chose four pairs of cards and place them randomly face down on Humpty's wall. The aim of the game is then for each player to take it in turn turning over two of the cards anywhere on the wall. If the cards match then the player wins those cards and keeps them. If they do not match then the player must turn them back over and leave them as they were. It is then the next player's turn. The game finishes when all the pairs have been matched up. The winner is the one who has collected the most cards. If there are joint winners then great they can celebrate together alternatively you can put the cards back down and play again!

SNAP

You will need cards x 2 no Humpty Card

The cards (printed out twice but no Humpty) are shuffled up and then dealt facedown to the two players in turn. The aim of the game is then to get a matching pair. Each player takes turn putting their card face up in the centre of the table beside the other player's card. When the two cards match the first person to shout snap is the winner of all the cards on the table and then the game proceeds. The winner is the first person to win all the cards.

SLAPJACK (OR POOR HUMPTY IN THIS CASE)

You will need cards x 2 plus one Humpty Card

This game is very similar to Snap but this time includes Humpty. The cards are shuffled and dealt to the players who cannot see their cards. They then take it in turn to put their cards on top of a pile of cards in the centre of the table. As soon as Humpty turns up the first person to slap their hand (gently) on Humpty wins all the cards underneath. That person then takes those cards, shuffles them and puts them to the bottom of their own pile of cards. Again the winner is first person who wins all the cards.

SHAPES

You will need cards x 1 plus Humpty Board

For this game again you need Humpty's wall. Place eight cards face down on the wall. Each player picks up one card from that wall and puts it down in front of them. Whatever shape it is that player then has to get the rest of those shapes. The dealer then replaces the missing card from the wall so that the wall always has eight. It is then the second player's go. If the second player gets the same shape they then have to place it back face down on the wall and the game moves on to the next player. Each player then takes it in turn putting cards back down on the wall that are not the ones they need but keeping the ones they need until they have collected all six of the same shape. The winner is the first one to get all the cards they need.

COLORS

You will need cards x 1 plus Humpty Board

The same game as above but this time the aim of the game is getting a set of the four different shapes that make up the same color.







