



# Hit 25 using playing cards

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This is a game for 2 to 4 players.

You will need:

- a pack of playing cards.
- pencil and paper (optional) for jottings

Instructions

- remove the coloured cards (King, Queen, Jack), Jokers and any card game rules which may have been included in your pack of cards.
- you will need only the Ace to 10 cards.
- shuffle the cards well and then share out between the players.
- the ace card has a score of 1.

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How to play:

The first player turns over one of their cards face up, so all the other players can see it. This is the starting card and starting total. The second player turns over one of their cards and places it on top of the first card, adding their card to the starting total.

The object of the game is to keep adding the cards to hit exactly 25. If the total goes over 25, then that player must subtract their card from the game total. Continue using adding (if less than 25) or subtracting (if greater 25) the winner is the player who is able to hit 25 as their total.