How to Play

Card Sharks

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Object of the Game

• Be the first team to win three rounds or be the team to have won the most rounds when all questions have been answered, or at the end of the time allotted for the game. Choose the most appropriate winning condition for your needs.
• A team wins a round by completing a row of 5 cards by correctly guessing whether the next card in the row is higher or lower than the previous card.

How to Play

• Divide players into two or three teams.
• Each team is dealt a row of five cards face down. Jokers are discarded from play.
• Determine which team goes first and the order of play if playing with more than two teams.
• The active team chooses a question number from the board.
  o The game host asks the team the corresponding question.
  o For an incorrect answer, the team's turn ends and the next team's turn begins.
  o For a correct answer, the first card in the team's sequence of five is revealed.
  o The team then guesses if the next card is higher or lower than the first card in the row. In this game Aces are low, meaning their numerical value is 1. If the next card is the same value as the current card, another card is drawn to replace it. The team can either keep their same guess of higher or lower, or change it.
  o For an incorrect guess, the team's turn ends, their row is discarded, and the team is dealt a new row of five face-down cards.
  o For a correct guess, the team can either:
    ▪ Continue to guess the next card in the sequence. The team can continue doing this as long as they guess correctly; or
    ▪ Freeze on the current card, ending the turn at the current card in the sequence. On their next turn, with a correct answer, the team can elect to change the current card with one drawn from the deck.
  o A team wins a round by revealing all five cards in their row with correct guesses.

QUESTIONS

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Example of Play

- Trainees are divided into two teams, Team A and Team B.
- Two rows of five face-down cards are dealt, one for Team A and one for Team B.
- A coin toss determines that Team A goes first.
- Team A chooses question 20 from the question board.

```plaintext
Which of the following gases has the largest explosive range?

A. Carbon dioxide
B. Hydrogen sulfide
C. Methane
D. Oxides of nitrogen
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- Team A answers correctly. The first card in their row is revealed.

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9♥ 9♥ 9♥ 6♥ 6♥
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- It is a Nine. Team A guesses lower.

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9♥ 9♥ 9♥ 6♥ 6♥
K♠
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- Incorrect. It was higher! These five cards are discarded and Team A is dealt a new row, face down. It is now Team B's turn.
- Team B chooses question 8 from the question board.

```plaintext
Which is the typical minimum PPE required on a mine site?

A. Hard hat, ear protection, safety glasses
B. Ear protection, safety glasses, safety footwear
C. Hard hat, safety glasses, safety footwear
D. Safety glasses, safety footwear, respirator
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- Team B answers correctly, and the first card in their row is revealed.

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B! Hydrogen sulfide!
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C! Hard hat, safety glasses, and safety footwear!
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• It is a Two. Team B guesses higher.

• Correct! It is a 6. Team B considers Freezing on the 6, since it is a mid-range card, and swap it for a new card on their next turn. However, the team has a good feeling about the next card and they decide to continue. They guess higher again.

• Correct again! It is a 10. The team decides to continue. They guess lower.

• Correct! It is a five. Team B decides to continue. One more correct guess and they win the round. But if they're incorrect, they start over with five new cards and the round continues. The team guesses higher.

• Correct again! It is a seven. Team B wins the round! The score is now 0 – 1. Each team is dealt a new row, face down, and it becomes Team A’s turn to start the next round by choosing a question from the question board.