### # Strategy guides for Mahjong

Mahjong is almost \*the most popular traditional game\* in China. It is easy to play with, but it is not easy to be good at it. If this is your first time playing Mahjong, please click this link to learn the rules [Mahjong rules](https://corp.mahjongclub.com/basic-rules).

Mahjong strategy guides are \*\*important\*\*: \*they will help you win more and lose less.\*

Today, I would like to introduce you 6 Mahjong strategies to help you improve your Mahjong skills.

#### ## 1. Be concentrated and careful

Looking carefully and analyzing what are in your hand, and placing those cards in order, so that you can watch them clearly and avoid some stupid mistakes.

### ## 2. Always have a clear plan

Think carefully about which tiles you choose to pick up and which ones you don't. You should always have a clear plan of action or at least have a fairly good idea where you want to go with your hand.

|big four wind |A hand made up of Pungs or Kongs of all four Winds. |It cannot be combined with All Pungs.|

|big three dragons |This is a hand made up of Pungs or Kongs of all three Dragons. |It cannot be combined with Dragon Pung. |

|thirteen orphans|This is hand entirely made up of singles of any 12 of the terminal (1 and 9) and Honor Tiles, and a pair of the 13th.| It cannot be combined with All Types,Concealed Hand or Single Wait. |

![big four wind](https://www.chinaeducationaltours.com/media/image/2020-08/15983217178234.jpg) #### Big four wind 1 ![big three dragons](https://www.chinaeducationaltours.com/media/image/2020-08/15983216887220.jpg) #### Big three dragons 2 ![thirteen orphans](https://www.chinaeducationaltours.com/media/image/2020-08/15983216248563.jpg)

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# ## 3. Be flexible with your strategies

If the game changes direction, you should be prepared to change your plan. Be flexible; change your strategy when and if it's necessary.

### ## 4. Don't grab the first discard

Taking the first discard can reveal too much of what you already have. To an astute observer of what you are doing, you will give away your game plan.

## ## 5. Keep a pair in your hand

- 1. If you have a pair, keep it. You can always make a Pung as you go along, and it's easier if you already have a pair or two in your hand.
- 2. You can use them as pairs or build a Pung (three of a kind), a Chow (three tiles of the same suit), or even a Kong (four of a kind).

# ## 6. Avoid having gaps in your tiles

New players to Mahjong are quite often tempted to leave gaps between their tiles when setting up their rack. It's easy to understand why. Lining up your tiles in combinations makes it easier for you to see your next moves. They will adjust their strategy to include blocking.

### ## More practice

No matter how much research you do, you will learn the best strategies by playing the game. Remember, practice makes perfect.

At the end of the day, sit down, turn on your computer, play Mohjang online, and use those strategies. You are so guaranteed to have fun.

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