## Activity 7: Elevens Board Class Design

## Introduction:

Now that the Card and Deck classes are completed, the next class to design is ElevensBoard. This class will contain the state (instance variables) and behavior (methods) necessary to play the game of Elevens.

## **Questions:**

1. What items would be necessary if you were playing a game of Elevens at your desk (not on the computer)? List the private instance variables needed for the ElevensBoard class.

2. Write an algorithm that describes the actions necessary to play the Elevens game.

3. Now examine the partially implemented ElevensBoard.java file found in the Activity7 Starter Code directory. Does the ElevensBoard class contain all the state and behavior necessary to play the game?

- 4. ElevensBoard.java contains three helper methods. These helper methods are private because they are only called from the ElevensBoard class.
  - a. Where is the dealMyCards method called in ElevensBoard?

b. Which public methods should call the contains Pair Sum 11 and contains JQK methods?

c. It's important to understand how the <code>cardIndexes</code> method works, and how the list that it returns is used. Suppose that <code>cards</code> contains the elements shown below. Trace the execution of the <code>cardIndexes</code> method to determine what list will be returned. Complete the diagram below by filling in the elements of the returned list, and by showing how those values index <code>cards</code>. Note that the returned list may have less than 9 elements.

|          | 0  |            | 2    | _  | _    | 0    | 0   | ,  | 0    |
|----------|----|------------|------|----|------|------|-----|----|------|
| cards -> | J♥ | 6 <b>.</b> | null | 2♠ | null | null | A 🌲 | 4♥ | null |

| 1           | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|-------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| returned -> |   | 1 | : | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |   |
| list        |   | ! |   |   | 1 |   | - | - |   |

d. Complete the following printCards method to print all of the elements of cards that are indexed by cIndexes.

```
public static void printCards(ElevensBoard board) {
   List<Integer> cIndexes = board.cardIndexes();

/* Your code goes here. */
}
```

e. Which one of the methods that you identified in question 4b above needs to call the cardIndexes method before calling the containsPairSum11 and containsJQK methods? Why?