

Rules of Blackjack:

blackjack = A + J/Q/K

each player competes against the dealer

process:

At a blackjack table, the dealer faces three players from behind a semicircular table.

Between one standard 52-card decks are shuffled together

1) Initialize & check

The dealer deals from their left ("first base") to their far right ("third base").

Each player gets an initial hand of two cards visible to the people playing on it. The dealer's hand gets its first card face up, and, immediately gets a second card face down (the hole card), which the dealer peeks at but only reveals when it makes the dealer's hand a blackjack.

2) Deal with each player: hit or stand

Single card (invisible to anyone when dealing) is dealt to each wagered-on position clockwise from the dealer's left, followed by a single card to the dealer, followed by an additional card to each of the positions in play. On their turn, players choose to "hit" (take a card and only visible to that player), "stand" (end their turn and stop without taking a card).

The object of the game is to win money by creating card totals higher than those of the dealer's hand but not exceeding 21, or by stopping at a total in the hope that dealer will bust.

Number cards count as their number, the jack, queen, and king ("face cards" or "pictures") count as 10, and **aces** count as 1 or 11 according to the player's choice. If the total exceeds 21 points, it busts (lose and won't be dealt with).

3) Dealer hit or stand

After the players have finished playing, the dealer's hand is resolved by drawing cards until the hand achieves a total of 17 or higher. The dealer could hit or stand.

Judge:

Blackjack > natural 21 points > other value

Anyone busts, loss the game.

If the dealer busts, all remaining player hands win. If the dealer does not bust, each remaining player wins if its hand is higher than the dealer's and loses if it is lower.

A player total of 21 on the first two cards is a "natural" or "blackjack," and the player wins immediately unless dealer also has one, in which case the hand **ties**. In the case of a tie ("push" or "standoff") . A blackjack beats any hand that is not a blackjack, even one with a value of 21.