Starting

Every person gets 1000 coins and 2 forest tokens.

Every time a player passes the starting point, they can get 200 coins and 1 forest token.

1. Natural vs. Non-Natural Places

Natural Places:

- Owning these places gives you forest tokens when certain conditions are met (e.g., landing on them, passing through, or drawing a relevant card).
- No building allowed: These locations remain pure, in line with their natural theme.
- Rewards: Each natural place can grant 1 forest token when landed on by other players. Or (50 coins, 100 coins, 150 coins, 200 coins according to the side).
- Players earn a Forest Token only when stepping on owned natural places, not when they purchase one.

Non-Natural Places:

- Work like traditional Monopoly properties. Players can build houses (or thematic alternatives like cabins) on these locations to collect rent.
- o Players need to own all spaces in the same label (natural vs. non-natural) group to build (similar to traditional rules)
- **Goal**: These places represent community structures, so they are associated with earning money rather than forest tokens.

2. Forest Tokens

• **Purpose**: An **alternative currency** used for special actions like summoning the Catbus, avoiding penalties, or advancing toward victory.

• Earning Forest Tokens:

- Landing on natural places (owned or unowned) grants 1 token.
 - When another player lands on a natural place that you own, you gain 1 forest token (instead of rent).
 - If the space is unowned, the player earns 1 forest token directly.
- o Completing certain challenges or drawing specific cards rewards tokens.
- Trading money for tokens is allowed. To prevent exploitation, no reverse exchange (tokens back to coins) is allowed.

Using Forest Tokens:

- o Summon the Catbus: Spend 2 tokens to teleport to any Bus Stop.
- Avoid penalties: Pay 1 token to ignore weather effects or certain rent fees.
- Totoro Tree Access: Need 10 tokens to approach Totoro's Tree and fulfill the final condition for winning.
- o Pay Forest Management Fees (Taxes): Players can choose to pay taxes in tokens instead of coins, offering an alternative that preserves their wealth.

3. Bus Stops and Weather Effects

Bus Stops:

o Players can buy Bus Stops to earn "transport fees" when other players land

- on them (similar to railroads). Owning multiple Bus Stops increases fees.
- Transport Fee: Players landing on a Bus Stop must pay a transport fee to the owner:
 - 1 stop owned: Pay 25 coins.
 - 2 stops owned: Pay 50 coins.
 - 3 stops owned: Pay 100 coins.
 - 4 stops owned: Pay 200 coins.
- Owners of all 4 Bus Stops can use the Catbus for free during their turn, bypassing the regular transport fee.

Catbus Travel:

- Players can summon the Catbus by spending 2 forest tokens.
- The Catbus allows you to travel to any Bus Stop or the Totoro tree (if you claim you want to win through the forest token goal).
- You can use catbus travel to escape from fine.

Weather Effects:

- Weather changes every **3 turns** (tracked using a small token on the board).
- Rainy Weather:
 - Rent on Bus Stops doubles. Too powerful
 - Catbus becomes unavailable for travel.
- Sunny Weather:
 - Normal gameplay; Catbus operates as usual.

4. Dust Sprite Activities

- Dust Sprite Spaces:
 - o Draw a Special Dust Sprite Card
 - Alternatively, they can trade coins for tokens at a favorable exchange rate (e.g., 25 coins = 1 token).

5. Utilities

"Dust Sprite Coal Delivery" Cost: 150 coins.

- Not owner lands here can either :
 - Pay the rent (4x or 10x dice roll if both utilities are owned).
 - Trade one Forest Token (if they have any) to avoid paying rent, gaining favor with the Soot Sprites. (50: 1 ratio)
 - If this trade is done, the owner receives 1 Forest Token per forest token trade (one-time for one place & person bonus), alternatively. the owner earns 20 coins per natural property they own (one-time for one place & person bonus). Example: If the owner has 3 natural properties, they earn 60 coins per token traded.
 - it means if one day the owner sells, other person who buys it van again get this bonus.
- Punishment Interaction:
 - During Rainy Weather, landing on this utility results in an extra 10% rent, at least 10, due to slippery coal paths.

6. Final Winning Condition

- There are two possible victory conditions:
 - 1. Forest Tokens Goal:

To win, players must reach **Totoro's Tree** by fulfilling **one of two paths**:

- a) The Hidden Path
- Collect 10 Forest Tokens.
- Obtain the "Dust Sprite's Help" card
- Once you have 10 tokens and the "Dust Sprite's Help" card, announce you're aiming for Totoro's Tree.
- After declaring:
 - You cannot buy properties or collect tokens intentionally (e.g., trading, purchasing).
 - You can still gain tokens by:
 - Landing on Natural Places.
 - Drawing Chance Cards that grant tokens.
- o Journey to Totoro's Tree:
 - You must land on Hidden Path first.
 - move to Totoro's Tree to win.
 - b) The Catbus drive
 - Collect 10 Forest Tokens.
 - Obtain the Umbrella Tool
- Land on any Bus Stop and announce you're "waiting for Big Totoro"
- o move to **Totoro's Tree** to win.

Interruption Rules (Shared for Both Paths)

Players can disrupt a declared victory attempt in two ways:

1. Steal Tokens:

- If a claimant is on the Forest Tokens Path, opponents can steal 1 token by landing on their properties.
- If the claimant drops below 10 tokens, they must recover to 10 before reaching Totoro's Tree.

2. Block the Tree:

- o If **any player** reaches Totoro's Tree before the claimant, the claimant's attempt **fails**:
 - Forest Tokens Path: Lose 2 tokens and restart.

3. Sabotage Declarations:

- Opponents can use cards to cancel a declaration (e.g., "Rainstorm" cancels the Umbrella attempt).
- 2. Traditional Wealth Goal: If one player bankrupts all others, they win as in classic Monopoly.