

# The Countdown of Conte Carlos: A Simulation Simulation

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## Gameplay

Carlos, the heir of Queen Isabella, is in trouble. His evil (but second-borne) twin Íñigo has faked Carlos's death and exiled him, blaming him for their father's death. After many years, Carlos is back at the court and asks to see the Queen, who is at her deathbed. An hourglass, running out of sand, is going to determine when Isabella passes. Carlos must be recognized by her before that happens, otherwise Íñigo will take the throne. To get recognized, however, Carlos must prove his identity by solving a simulation puzzle that Kings teach their firstborns in secret. If Carlos makes the wrong choice, he loses one finger (he has six). If he loses all his fingers he bleeds to death, while if the Queen dies his brother decapitates him.

