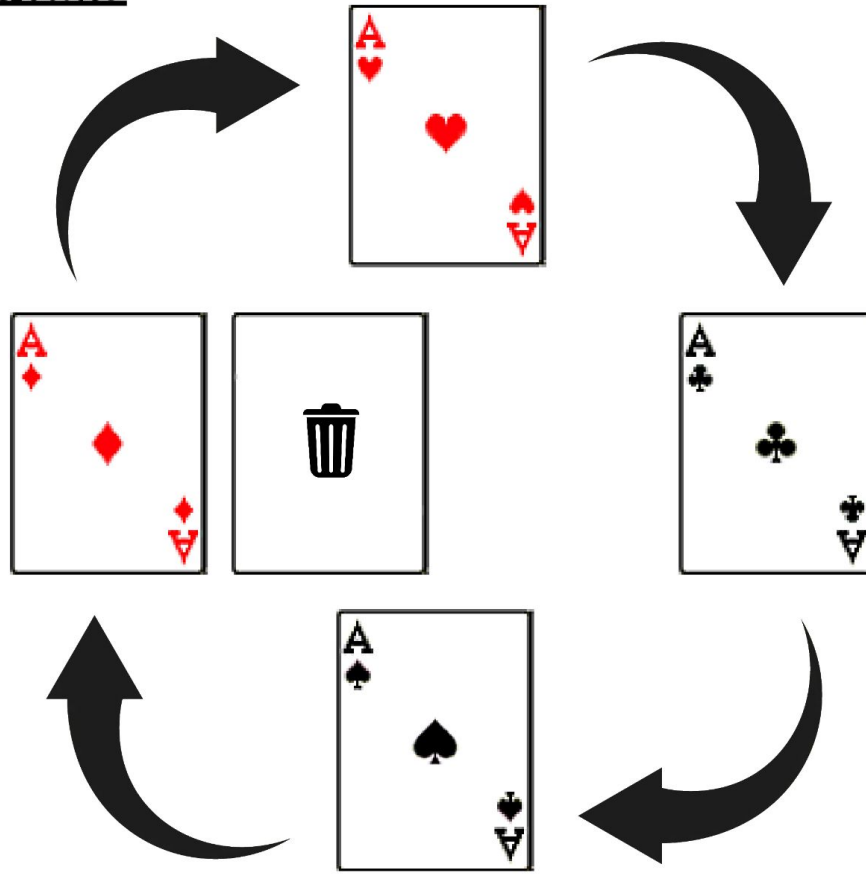Jack Merchant

Fig.1

Jack Merchant

Aim Of The Game

Gain more points than you opponent(s) by trading cards at the various "posts"

Setup

Remove the Jacks from the deck and seperate the cards into the four suits (Hearts, Clubs, Spades & Diamonds). Lay the cards out as in Fig. 1 and give each player one card from each suit. This is the player's starting hand.

How to play

Place each Jack next to its corresponding pile. If there are two players, only the Jack of Hearts and the Jack of Spades are needed. For 3/4 players, Use the Jack of Clubs (player 3) and the Jack of Diamonds (player 4) alongside these. Each round, the players will move their Jack one post clockwise (E.g. Hearts to Clubs). Upon arriving at their new post, players must place one card from their hand on the discard pile and draw the top card from their post. Play continues as such until all posts have merged onto the discard pile.

Scoring

At the end of the game, players must show their cards to everyone. Points are calculated as follows:
Cards 2-10; Value shown on card
King & Queen; 12
Ace; 14
Joker; 16