1. A deck would be non existent without cards. What I mean by this is that a deck is comprised of cards, a datatype that is reliant on another.
2. 6 Cards
3. String[] ranksD1 = {"Two", "Three", "Four","Five","Six","Seven","Eight","Nine","Ten","Jack","Queen","King","Ace"};

String[] suitsD1 = {"Clubs", "Spades", "Hearts", "Diamonds"};

int[] valuesD1 = {2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,10,10,10,11};

1. No, the order does not matter as long as you change the order in which the parameters are processed.