

The nerve-racking dice game for 2 - 6 players from age 8

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## Would you believe it!

Just as you thought you were about to win the game, you have to collect the minus card - well that's life! But even the last card can change everything. After all - he who laughs last laughs loudest!

## The aim of the game

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Players use their skill - and luck to collect as many plus (+) and fortune cards as possible, while trying to to avoid the minus (-) cards.

The fortune cards are particularly important because they are used to convert any collected minus (-) cards into plus (+) cards.

The player with the most points at the end of the game is the winner.





18 figures:

32 route cards:













3 each in red, blue, green, yellow, black, orange

8 guards

1 dice



## **Preparations**

Before playing for the first time, carefully remove the stamped components from the board.

Place the Start card, Route cards and Finish card on the table as shown here.

Put the 8 guards on the 6 fortune cards and on plus (+) cards "+8" and "+7".

Each player chooses a colour and takes

- 3 figures (2 4 players) or
- 2 figures (5 6 players) and places them on the blue Start card.

The youngest player goes first, and takes the dice.



## Playing the game

Take turns, moving in a clockwise direction. The player whose turn it is throws the dice. They then either move one of their figures or one of their guards. The next player continues the game.

A player may move their own figure at any time, but a guard may only be moved if there is at least one figure on that route card. This figure can belong to any player.

Take turns, moving in a clockwise direction. The player If there are only guards on a route card, none can whose turn it is throws the dice. They then either move be moved.

Move across as many cards as are indicated by the dice. Any number of players and/or guards may be positioned on a card. If one of the figures or a guard is moved onto the finish card, then the remaining points of the dice are not played.





## Taking a route card

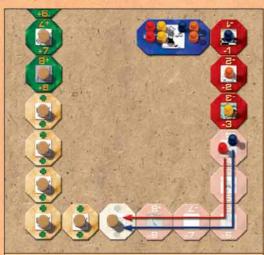
When a figure is moved from a route card, and this route card is left unoccupied, the player must collect it. If the figure was not on its own, the card stays where it is

Removing the cards creates gaps in the course; these gaps are crossed during the course of the game and are not counted when a figure is moved.

#### Notes:

- If the gaps get too big, the cards may be moved closer together.
- Once the last figure has crossed a route card, this card can go back in the box.

#### **Examples of moves**



It's Red's turn, and they throws a "5". They move onto the first fortune card. The minus card "-4" stays where it is because Blue is still on it.

Then **Blue** also throws a "5". They also move onto the first fortune card. Because no one else is on the minus card "-4", this player has to take it. Blue could also have moved one of their two other figures.



Orange throws a "4". They can either move their figure from card "-2" to "-7" or move one of their other figures from the start card to "-5". But they don't want to do either; instead they move the guard from the first fortune card and on by four cards. This is allowed, because some of the other players' figures are on this card. Orange may not move one of the other guards because they are alone on a route card.

### The values of the route cards



A plus (+) card scores as many points as are indicated on it.



A minus (-) card costs as many points as are indicated on it.

At the end of the game, a fortune card converts a player's highest minus (-) card into a plus (+) card.

If a player has several fortune cards, then the same number of minus (–) cards are converted into plus (+) cards.

Should a player have more fortune cards than minus cards, the other fortune cards do not score.

## The end of the game

The game is over when all of the players have reached the finish card. Once a player has moved all of his figures to the finish, he stops playing.

The players now add up the values of their plus (+) cards (including those converted from minus (-) cards), then they deduct the values of any remaining minus cards.

The player with the highest number of points is the winner.





### **Variants**

Have you played a number of exciting and nerve-racking games without allowing yourself to be misled by feelings of incredible fortune – as well as misfortune? Then there are several exciting variants for you to try! The basic rules remain the same; the only differences are as follows:

#### Variant 1

Position the 32 route cards differently (between the start and finish cards), e.g.:

- First "-1" to "-8", then "+1" to "+8", then the fortune card, and finally "-1" to "-10".

  Put the guards on the plus (+) cards (+1 to +8).
- You can also put the fortune cards at the end of the course.
   Put the guards on the plus (+) cards (+1 to +8).
- Shuffle the 32 route cards and then place them randomly, starting at the beginning.
   Put the guards on the fortune cards and on "+8" and "+7".

### Variant 2

If you throw a "1", you have 3 choices: you can move one of your figures or one of the cards on by one card, or go back a card, or stay where you are.

#### Variant 3

When the last figure crosses a route card, instead of taking the card out of the game, place it at the end of the course (in front of the finish card).

### Variant 4

As soon as a player crosses the finish card with his last figure, the game is over.

The other players with figures still alone on a route card, can then collect these route cards and calculate their score.

### Variant 5

The game is over when the penultimate figure crosses the finish card. The player whose figure is still on the course, collects the highest minus card still on the course (without a guard) and is not allowed to use a fortune card to turn it into a positive card.

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