

Overview

- Call Break (also known as Call Bridge or Lakdi) is a four-player trick-taking card game popular in South Asia.
- The main objective is to bid the number of tricks you expect to win and then try to meet or exceed that bid during play.

Game Setup

- Four players, no teams.
- Each player is dealt 13 cards.
- Spades are always the trump suit and can beat any card from other suits, regardless of rank.
- Card ranking (high to low): Ace, King, Queen, Jack, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2.

Bidding

- After cards are dealt, each player bids (calls) the number of tricks they expect to win (minimum bid: 1, maximum: 13).
- All players must make a bid before play begins.

Gameplay

- The player to the dealer's right starts the first trick.
- Players must follow the suit led if possible; if not, they may play a trump (spade) or another suit.
- The highest card of the suit led wins the trick unless a trump is played, in which case the highest trump wins.
- The winner of each trick leads the next one.
- If a player receives no spades (trump cards), the cards are reshuffled and redealt.

Rounds

- The game is typically played over five rounds, but some versions offer 1, 2, or 4 rounds.

Scoring

- Match or exceed your bid: score points equal to your bid.
- Win fewer tricks than your bid: lose points equal to your bid.
- Win more tricks than your bid: each extra trick adds 0.1 points to your score.
- At the end of all rounds, the player with the highest total score wins.

Key Strategies

- Bid carefully based on your hand strength.
- Save high-value and trump cards for crucial tricks.

- Observe opponents' plays to adjust strategy.
- Avoid overbidding to minimize risk of losing points.

Special Rules

- If no player receives a spade, the hand is redealt.

How to Play Online (e.g., on MPL App)

- Download the app, sign up, select the number of rounds, and follow the same rules as above.

FAQs

- Winning requires meeting or exceeding your bid in tricks.
- Points are calculated based on the difference between tricks won and the initial bid