

Ninety-Nine or BustTM



Overview of the Game

In turn, players lay down cards, adding each point value to eventually reach a total count of 99. Any player who cannot keep the count at, or below 99, loses the round and one marker. Players losing all markers are out of the game.

Game Preparation

Decide who will be the dealer. The dealer shuffles the deck of cards and deals three cards to each player. Players look at their cards but do not show them to the other players. The dealer then lays the remaining deck face down in the middle of the playing area within reach of everyone. Each player is given 4 markers.

Card Value

Every numbered card counts as that exact number, and as each card is laid down, its number is added to the current total count of the discard pile.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTION CARDS: see card deck

Game Play

Beginning to the dealer's left, the first player lays down one card from their hand face up next to the deck. The player calls out the face value of that card and replaces it in their hand with the top card from the face-down deck.

The next player lays one card from their hand face up on top of the previous player's card and calls out the new count by adding the face value of their card to the current count. They replace their card with the top card from the face-down deck. In turn, each player lays down a card from their hand to the face-up pile, calls out the new total and picks up the top card from the face-down deck.

Don't forget to replace your played card with a new one. If you do forget, you CANNOT replace it later and must finish the game with fewer cards than the other players.

THE COUNT OF THE FACE-UP PILE MAY NOT EXCEED A SCORE OF 99.

Any player who cannot keep the count as such loses the round and places a marker in the middle of the playing area. The round is over. The entire deck is re-shuffled by a new dealer, re-dealt, and a new round begins.

Winning

The last player with markers wins the game.

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