2 PLAYERS
AGES 6+
AVG. GAME 20-30 MIN.
WHAT’S IN THE BOX?
Deck of 52 cards.

OBJECT OF THE GAME
Outscore your opponent with touchdowns (2 points) or field goals (3 points). To score a touchdown, a drive must total exactly 100 yards. The game is over after you have played through the entire deck twice.

ABOUT THE CARDS
The deck includes three types of cards:
• Black offensive cards advance your drive down the field toward a touchdown or field goal.
• Yellow defensive cards slow your opponent’s drive by removing his/her last play.
• Red defensive cards and your opponent’s turn by removing his/her entire current drive.

PRACTICE GAME
For a faster, easier game the first time you play, remove one yellow and one red card. Once you’ve got the rules under your belt, revert them to the deck and get ready to go full-on football.

SETUP
1. Choose a player to be the dealer. The dealer shuffles the deck, then deals four cards face down to each player.
2. The dealer places the remaining deck face down in the center of the play area to form the draw pile. Then turn the top card face up beside the draw pile to start the discard pile.
3. The other player takes the first turn. Players then alternate turns.

ON YOUR TURN
1. Rip off your hand to five cards. You can replenish from the draw side and/or the discard pile, but you can draw only one card (the top card) from the discard pile per turn.

2. Make one offensive play (if you can) each turn to build your scoring drive. An offensive play is either a RUN card or a PASS/CATCH card combination.

Can’t make a play? If no cards in your hand are playable, discard one card of your choice face up on the discard pile. This ends your turn.

OFFENSIVE PLAYS
Build your drive by placing offensive cards face up in front of you in a line, from left to right. The most common offensive plays are RUN and PASS, and PASS/CATCH card combinations. There are also some special offensive plays that will add yardage to your drive.

Pass and Catch
Each PASS card shows a range of yards. To make a PASS and CATCH play, flip a PASS card, then flip a CATCH card showing any number of yards within that range.

You must play both cards on your turn to complete the play and gain the number of yards shown on the CATCH card. See PASS and CATCH right and wrong examples below.

Always play your CATCH card on top of your PASS card, so it will be easy to keep track of the yards in your drive.

EXAMPLE 1 (RIGHT)
You can play this PASS card on this CATCH card because 33 yards are within its range.

EXAMPLE 2 (WRONG)
You can’t play the CATCH card on this PASS card because 30 yards are beyond its 5-20 yard range.

STRATEGY TIP
While RUN cards offer a quick way to gain yardage, PASS and CATCH combinations can gain even more. They also use up two cards, so you can replenish more cards at the start of your next turn.

Kick Return
There’s only one of these cards in the deck. If you’re lucky enough to have it, you may play it to gain a whopping 50 yards. But here’s the catch: you may play it only as the first play of your drive.
You may play the JUKEM card immediately after playing a RUN play or a PASS and CATCH combination, to double the yardage of the play. Show "JUKEM" before playing the card to tell the ref that your opponent cannot play a defensive card against it.

The JUKEM card can also be played instantly after a KICK RETURN play. The result is a no-play automatic touchdown (see "Scoring a Touchdown" on this page).

**EXAMPLE**
Adding the PANCAKE BLOCK card to a 15-yard RUN card boosts your yardage to 30 yards.

You may also boost the combination with a JUKEM card to double the sum of the RUN and PANCAKE BLOCK cards.

**Field Goal (It's Good!):**
You may play the card only if you are within 30 yards of scoring the 100 yards needed for a touchdown (see "Scoring a Touchdown" on this page). A FIELD GOAL immediately ends your drive and scores three points. As soon as you score a FIELD GOAL, all of your cards are discarded (in a pile if several) and you go on to record your score. This ends your turn. On your next turn you can begin a new drive.

**EXAMPLE**
With 30 yards left to go for a touchdown, you could play a FIELD GOAL card to end your drive and score three points.

**STRATEGY TIP**
It may seem like bad strategy to score a FIELD GOAL for only three points instead of seven, but a FIELD GOAL may be your best option if you think your opponent is about to play a way out of a field-goal attempt. playground defenses. You can also play a strategic card against any play except a FIELD GOAL, touchdown, or JOKEM play.

**DEFENSIVE PLAYS**
On your opponent's turn, after your opponent has made an offensive play, you may play a defensive card to slow down or even stop his/her drive. Important: You must play a defensive card against any play except a FIELD GOAL, touchdown, or JOKEM play.

**Holding and Sack!**
You may play either one of these cards to remove your opponent's play from the drive. Place the last card on the defensive card aside, out of play for the half. Do not place these cards on the scoreboard. This ends your opponent's turn.

**Fumble and Picked Off!**
You may play either one of these cards to completely destroy your opponent's entire drive! Place the drive cards and the defensive card aside, out of play for the half. Do not place these cards on the scoreboard. This ends your opponent's turn.

**HalfTime**
If you draw the last card from the drive pile, you may make as many plays as you can from your hand on that turn. After you've run out of plays, have been stopped by a defensive card, or have scored a field goal or touchdown, the half is over. Shuffle all the cards and play the second half the same way you played the first half. The player who did not deal in the first half deals in the second half.

**HOW TO WIN**
When the second half ends, the game is over. The player with the most points wins. In case of a tie, the sudden-death overtime (play again) and a player/pair of cards (see a field goal or a touchdown). That player wins the game.

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