

Card Descriptions:

5, 30. Life Insurance – Play this card to avoid losing a card from misfortune.

11. Zoo trip – Play this card to throw 2 more dice during a turn. The card can be played during any of the 3 dice rolls in a turn, and its effect lasts for the rest of that turn.

12. Bicycle – The player who starts with this card reveals it face up and is the starting player. It is that player's first possession.

28. Job at Dad's company – As an active job card, this generates a symbol of bad luck each turn. Therefore rolling even just 2 more bad luck symbols on the dice will cause misfortune (loss of a card).

29. Pension fund – This event provides (once) up to 4 money symbols. But the card can only be played in old age, i.e., when at least 1 card from the old age deck is already on the track.

35. Magician – As an active card, this can change one symbol on a die or token to any other, once per turn. However, bad luck and good luck are exceptions: they cannot be changed to other symbols, and other symbols cannot be changed to bad luck or good luck!

36. Friend from work – As an active card, this lets the owner use one symbol from an active work card of either neighbor (sitting to the left or right). Each turn, the owner may freely pick 1 symbol from a neighbor's active work card. The neighbor does not lose anything (they keep their own token for their card).

41. Early retirement – his card has no cost. It has only a requirement to obtain it: the player must already have at least one work card. The card's owner may not take any more work cards for the rest of the game.

43. Memory master – As an active card, this generates 1 health / relationship / knowledge / money (the owner chooses which type each turn). It cannot generate a good luck or bad luck symbol.

45. Trip around the world – As an active card, each turn it can change 1 bad luck symbol on a die or token into a health / relationship / knowledge / money (owner's choice).

46. Bike instead of car – As an active card, this generates 1 health each turn and also allows its owner a 4th dice throw (instead of the normal 3 throws).

53. Psychotherapy – As an active card, each turn it permits the owner, in one of their rerolls, to reroll bad luck symbols. (Bad luck is normally “frozen”.)

57. Offer from a job center – This card has no cost. It has only a requirement to obtain it: the player must have no work cards.

60. Pension – This card costs 2 bad luck. If the player rolled 3 bad luck (causing misfortune and the loss of some card), the player can still use 2 of those bad lucks to buy this card.

73. Marathon runner, **74. Celebrity**, **75. Professor** – As an active card, these each count double when scoring their type of card at the end of the game. For example, a player has 5 knowledge cards, and the **Professor** is the active card in that stack. The player earns 21 points, not just 15, because the Professor scores double.

76. Collector – a player who fulfills this goal at the end of the game receives 1 point for each possession card in his CV.

77. Jack of all trades – a player who fulfills this goal at the end of the game receives 1 point for every token generated by his active cards in his CV.

78. Renaissance man – a player who fulfills this goal at the end of the game receives 7 points for each set of 5 cards of different types (health, relationship, knowledge, wealth, work) in his CV.

79. Hard worker – a player who fulfills this goal at the end of the game receives 3 points for each work card in his CV.

80. A sound mind in a sound body – a player who fulfills this goal at the end of the game receives 2 points for each pair of knowledge and health cards in his CV.

81. Activist – a player who fulfills this goal at the end of the game receives 2 points for each pair of relationship and health cards in his CV.

82. Successful person – a player who fulfills this goal at the end of the game receives 3 points for each set of 3 cards (2 wealth and 1 work) in his CV.

83. The Life of the Party – a player who fulfills this goal at the end of the game receives 2 points for each pair of relationship and knowledge cards in his CV.



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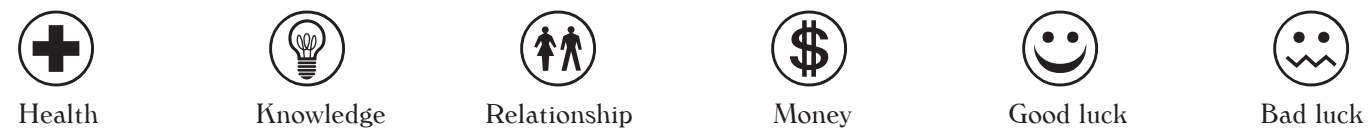


Goal of the game:

The goal of the game is to write a CV of a fictional character, whom the player represents. Players roll the dice and use the symbols thrown to gain cards representing different accomplishments in life. The cards give various special abilities. Thus the players, step by step, create their life histories, trying to reach their goals. At the end of the game, players get points for different sets of cards. The player with the most points wins.

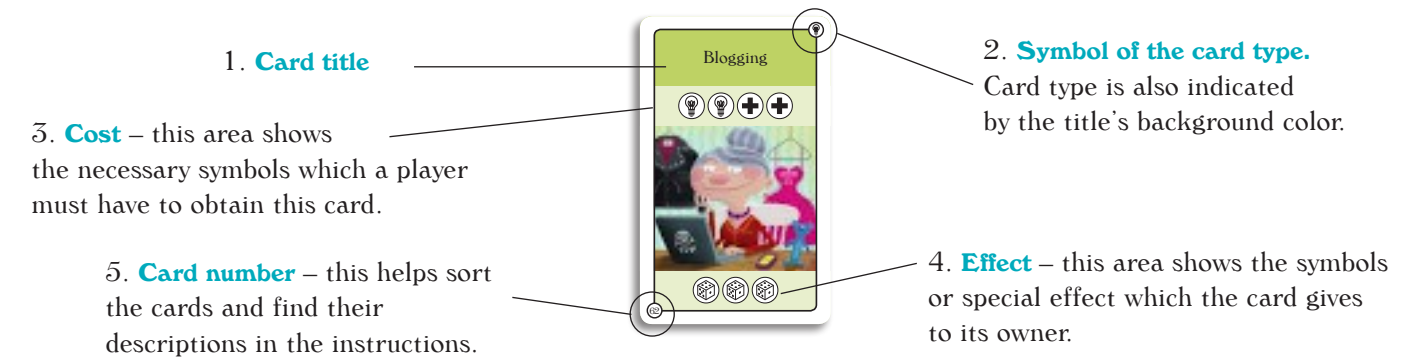
Dice:

The game has 7 identical dice. Each die has 6 different symbols. These are:

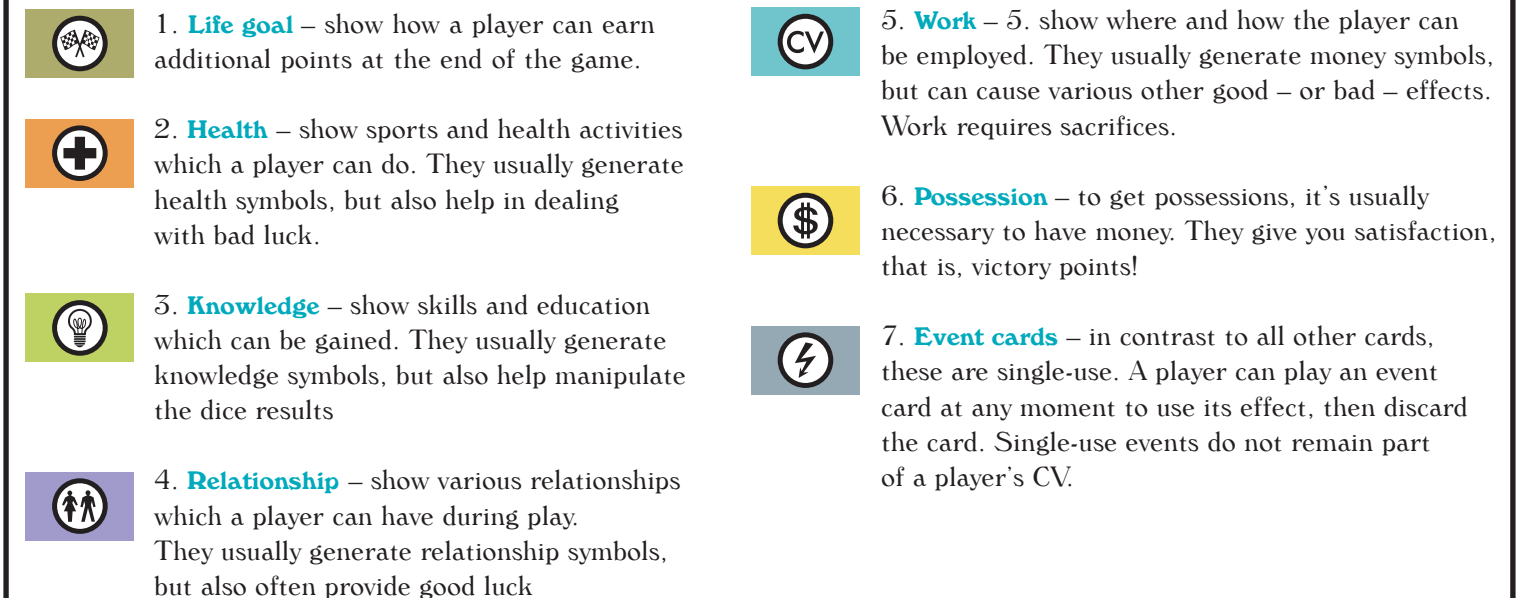


Card layout

The game has 7 different types of cards. Each of them has a similar layout:



Card types:



Game preparation:

1. Lay the board on the table.
2. Sort the cards according to their backs into 5 different decks and shuffle each deck. Place 3 decks – early adulthood, middle age, and old age - onto their respective locations on the board.
3. Reveal the first 5 cards from the early adulthood deck and place them face up onto the track on the board.

4. Deal one card from the life goal deck to each player; then reveal several more (the number of players minus one) and place them face up on the board.

5. Check your childhood memories! For 4 players, deal 3 childhood cards to each player. For 2 or 3 players, first prepare the childhood cards as follows: Combine the **bicycle** card with 5 random cards (for 2 players) or with 8 random cards (for 3 players). Shuffle this prepared childhood deck and deal 3 cards to each player. Set aside the unused cards.



6. Play your childhood! From the 3 received cards, each player chooses 1, then passes the other 2 to the player on the left. From the 2 received cards, each player chooses 1, then passes the last card to the player on the left.

Each player now has 3 childhood cards and a life goal card to start the game. The player with the **bicycle** puts it face up in front of them and starts the game. This player also receives the **bicycle token** (to remember who started, in case the player loses their **bicycle** card during play).

Sequence of play:

The game is played in rounds. In each round, players in turn play all phases of the round. The player who rode a bike as a child (has the **bicycle** card) starts each round. Play continues in clockwise order.

Phases of each round:

1. Roll the dice. The player rolls 4 dice (as the game progresses, it's possible to gain more dice, to a maximum of 7). Then the player can reroll any number of the dice, two times. But dice with the bad luck symbol are **frozen** – they cannot be rerolled.

2. Select cards. Then the player can take 1 or 2 cards from the track on the board. The player must pay their cost, i.e., have the appropriate dice symbols as indicated by the **costs** on the cards.

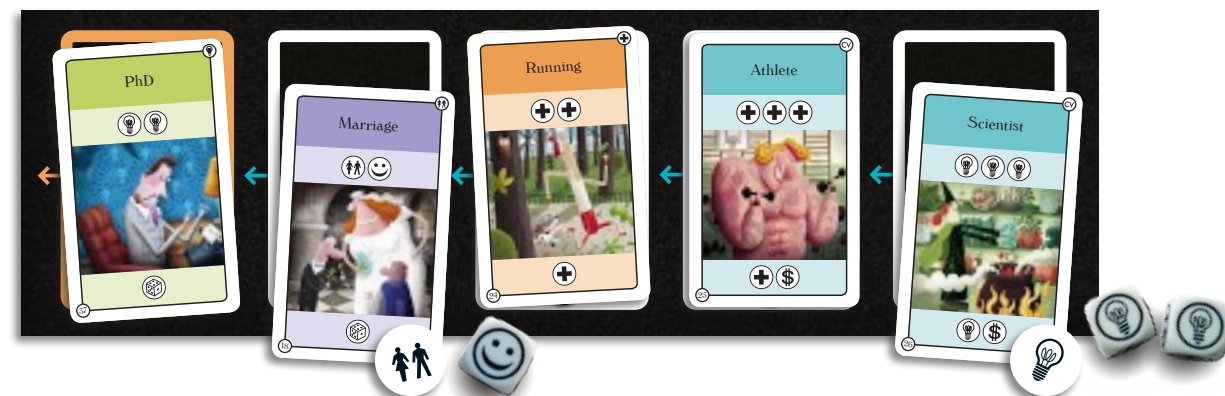
The player can set their dice and tokens next to cards being considered to help make the decision easier.

The player can also play event cards from their hand and use the cards' symbols to help buy cards from the track. Unused symbols from event cards are lost. The player does not receive tokens for symbols on event cards, and event cards are discarded after use.

If a player has 3 good luck symbols (from their dice and tokens), then these can be used to buy any card from the track, without paying the normal cost! If a card's cost also includes some special condition, the player must still fulfill it. 3 good luck symbols only covers the cost expressed in symbols.



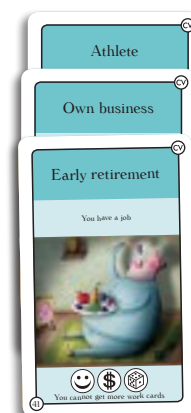
The player may slide a card a little bit from the track to help remember which card they are considering buying.



3. Bad luck. For every 3 bad luck symbols which a player has from dice and tokens, the player suffers misfortune. The player must choose and discard one active (lying on top) card from their CV.

Example: The player rolls 5 dice (a 5th die was gained by the active relationship card **Marriage**). The symbols rolled are relationship, money, money, health and bad luck. The player wants to buy the possession card **Used car**. The player needs 1 more money symbol. The player leaves the 2 money symbols and the "frozen" bad luck symbol on the table, and rerolls the other 2 dice. The rerolled pair give a relationship symbol and a bad luck symbol. The player risks rerolling the die showing a relationship symbol. If the result is a 3rd bad luck symbol, the player will have misfortune and lose one active card. Luckily this second reroll gives a money symbol. So the player can buy the **Used car** and add it to their CV.

4. Add to CV. The player takes the cards bought from the track and adds the non-event cards to their CV. Cards in the CV should be placed such that all cards of a given type are in the same pile. Cards of the same type are stacked so that only the titles of earlier cards are visible. The card on top of a stack is "active". Active cards give the effect written on them. Each type's stack can have only 1 active card at a time during the game.

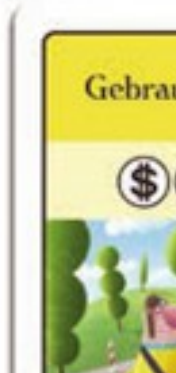


For cards of type Health, Relationship, and Knowledge, the player has a choice. The card can go onto the top of the stack, or under any card in the stack.

For cards of type Possession and Work, the new card must always go on top of the stack.

Purchased event cards remain in a player's hand, like Childhood cards.

5. Cleanup. The player moves all cards on the track to the left to fill any empty spaces, and then deals new cards from the appropriate deck to fill any empty spaces on the right end of the track. At the beginning of the game, cards come from the young adulthood deck. When it runs out, the middle age deck is used, and then finally the old age deck.



At the end of a round (after the turn of the player sitting to the right of the player with the **bicycle**), the leftmost card is discarded from the track before adding new cards.

Note! In the 2-player game this should be done after each player’s turn, not just at the end of a round!

Then the player updates their tokens. The player should have tokens with exactly the symbols shown on the **effect** area of their CV’s active cards. (Tokens do not accumulate like income, but are simply a convenient way to represent the current symbols on a player’s active cards.).

After the player updates their tokens, their turn is over, and play proceeds to the next player on the left.

Social assistance

Each time 1 of the 3 decks runs out, momentarily interrupt the game to check if any players are eligible for social assistance. A player is eligible if some other player has at least twice as many CV cards than the player needing social assistance.

Players who qualify for social assistance can immediately take any card from the track without paying the cost to add it to their CV. (However, any special conditions on the card must still be met to take it.)

Players using social assistance take their cards in clockwise order, starting with the player who is just finishing their turn.

Example: After Julius’s turn, the track is being refilled back to 5 cards. The last card from the young adulthood card is added to the track. The game is immediately interrupted, and players check whether anyone should get social assistance. Julius has 5 cards, Felix has 6, and Eric has only 3. Therefore Eric receives social assistance. Eric takes 1 card from the track, and then the game continues: the track is refilled with cards from the middle age deck. To the left of Julius is Felix, who now starts his turn.

Game end

If it’s the end of a round, and (after refilling the track) the old age deck has fewer cards remaining than the number of players, then the game is over, and players add up points. Players earn points from their CVs. The note pad can be helpful for adding results.

1	1		
2	3		
3	6		
4	10		
5	15		
6	21		
7	28		
8	36		
9	45		
10	55		

First, count the points from the number of relationship, health and knowledge cards owned. Points for these cards are gained according to the **table**. Then count the points from possession cards by adding the points printed on each possession card. Then players reveal their personal life goal cards and check how many points are gained from them. Players also check who gains points from the public life goals which were visible on the board from the start of the game. Each of the public goals awards additional points to whoever best achieved it. If several players tied in achieving a goal, they both get full points for it. The player with the most points wins. In case of a tie, the player with fewer CV cards wins. If there is still a tie, then it remains a tie!

Example of scoring: The game has ended. Players add up their points. Felix gains 10 points for health cards, 6 points for relationship cards, and 15 points for knowledge cards. His earns a total of 19 points

from his 5 possession cards. His secret goal was **A healthy mind in a healthy body**, and he gets 8 points for fulfilling this goal. Of the 2 public life goals, Felix fulfilled the **Collector** goal, as did Julius who also has 5 possessions, while Eric has only 3. Both Felix and Julius gain 5 points from the **Collector** goal. Thus Felix’s total is 10 + 6 + 15 + 19 + 8 + 5 = 63 points.



Appendix - Icons and cards

This appendix to the rules describes in detail the icons in the game, as well as the effects of certain cards.



Cards with a cost: Some cards have a red slash on their **effect**. This means that the player has to pay the cost, as long as the card is active. The cost must be paid each turn, in the **Add to CV** phase. If the player cannot pay the cost (due to not having the appropriate symbols on the dice or tokens), then the card is lost and goes to the box. Dice tokens which were used earlier in the player’s turn to buy cards cannot be reused for paying costs.



Cards with 2 colors: Some cards have titles with 2 different colors and 2 card type icons. At the moment such a card is taken, the player decides which type of card it will be and places it in their corresponding stack.

Description of symbols:



Victory points
Any of: health / relationship / knowledge / money.
Bad luck – 3 bad luck symbols cause misfortune.
Extra die. Each such icon means you roll an additional die (in addition to the basic 4 dice) during your turn. You can roll a maximum of 7 dice.



Reroll dice.
You can replace any number of symbols shown on the left side of the arrow with the same number of symbols shown on the right side of the arrow, and vice versa.
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