## Go Fish with Shape Cards

## Players 2-4 $\quad$ : Ages 4+ $\quad \vdots \quad 10-15$ min

## GOAL

To create matching pairs by asking other players for cards and by pulling cards from the deck.

## CARDS TO USE

Circles 1-4


Triangles 1-4


Rhombuses 1-4


Squares 1-4


Rectangles 1-4


Hexagons 1-4


## HOW TO PLAY

1. Select and shuffle the cards.
2. Deal 5 cards to each player.

The Shape Cards allow you to play Go Fish in two different ways. Players can either ask for cards by number ("Do you have any 3s?"), or they can ask for cards by shape ("Do you have any circles?").
3. If you're asking for shapes, players check their cards and place down any pairs of cards with the same shape.
4. Then ask another player if they have a Shape Card that matches a Shape Card in your hand. For example, you could ask "Do you have any hexagons?"

5. If the other player has a card of the shape that you asked for (or number that you asked for), they must give it to you. Then place that pair of cards down next to you.

6. If they don't have the type of card you asked for, the other player says, "Go fish!" and you draw a card from the center pile.

7. If you draw a shape that matches a shape in your hand, place that pair of cards down.
8. Some people play until one player gets a certain number of matches. Other people play until one person runs out of cards. Play whatever way all the players agree upon.

## TIPS FOR PLAYING

- People have lots of different ways that they play "Go Fish". You can modify the rules of the game to whatever works best for the players.
- Some people play that if you get a match you get to continue your turn. Other people play that after you get a match it's the next player's turn. Play whatever way all the player agree upon.


## WHAT CHILDREN ARE LEARNING

- Playing Go Fish Shapes helps children practice shape names and finding shapes that match. Playing Go Fish Number helps children practice number names and recognizing written numerals.
- This game gives children practice focusing their attention. If matching by shape, they need to ignore the numbers on the card. If matching by number, they need to ignore the shapes on the card.


## MATH TOPICS

## Shapes and Geometry

Sorting and Attributes

## VIDEO



## Watch Game Video

View the QR code in your smartphone's camera app or QR code reader to watch a video that shows how to play Go Fish with Shape Cards.

