

# THREE CARD STRAIGHT GAME

*This game is a fun dice and card game where the aim is to get 3 cards in consecutive order.*

**Age Range:** 1<sup>st</sup> Grade+

**Number of players:** 2-4

**Learning:** add and subtract within 13

**You will need:**

- 3 dice
- A pack of playing cards

**Instructions**

- Before the game starts, shuffle the cards and place the top 4 cards onto the 4 blank spaces on the playing board.
- Each player takes turns to roll 3 dice.
- The player has to make the value of any one of the four cards using the numbers on the dice they have rolled by adding or subtracting.
- Each of the numbered cards is worth its value.
- The ace has a value of 1, the Jack is worth 11, the Queen is 12 and the King is worth 13.
- If a player makes the value of one of the 4 cards on the board, then they take the card and a new card is placed on the game board in its place.
- The cards that each player has won are placed in front of them so that the other players can each see the cards needed for them to win.
- If a player cannot make the value of any of the 4 cards, then it is the next player's turn.
- The game finished when one of the players manages to collect 3 consecutive value cards, e.g. 5, 6, 7 or 9, 10 and Jack. The game is over and the player has won.

**Variations**

- For older children playing the game, multiplication could also be included with the dice rolls to make the value of one of the cards.
- You could assign the Jack, Queen and King with different numbered values if you wanted to, especially if multiplication can be used.
- For a longer game, the first player to get 4 consecutive numbers wins the game.

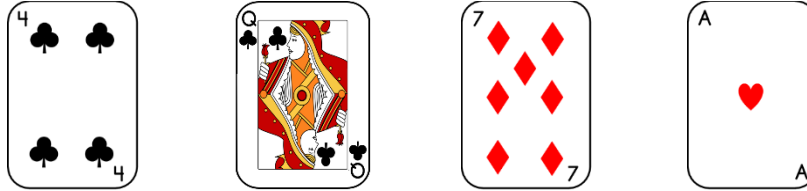
**Examples of winning hands**

Ace, 2, 3	9, 10, Jack	Jack, Queen, King	7, 8, 9	10, Jack, Queen
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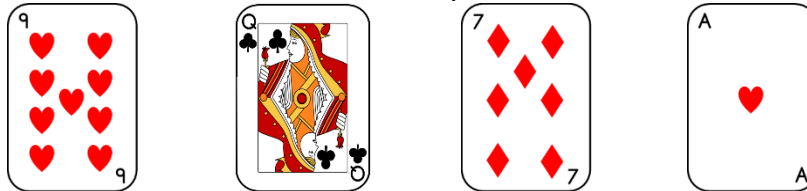
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## Example of play

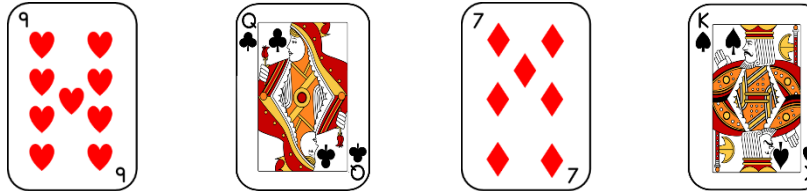
The four playing cards placed on the board are those shown below.



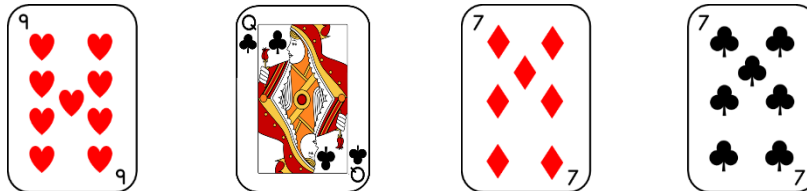
Player 1 rolls a 3, 2 and 5. They choose to cover up number 4 using  $5 + 2 - 3 = 4$ . They pick up the number 4 card. The number 4 card is replaced.



Player 2 rolls a 1, 3 and a 1. They choose to cover up the Ace with  $3 - 1 - 1 = 1$ . They pick up the Ace and the Ace on the board is replaced with a new card.

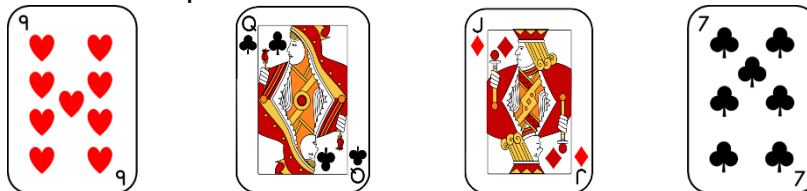


Player 3 rolls a 6, 4 and 3. They choose to cover up the King using  $6 + 4 + 3 = 13$ . They pick it up and it is replaced.



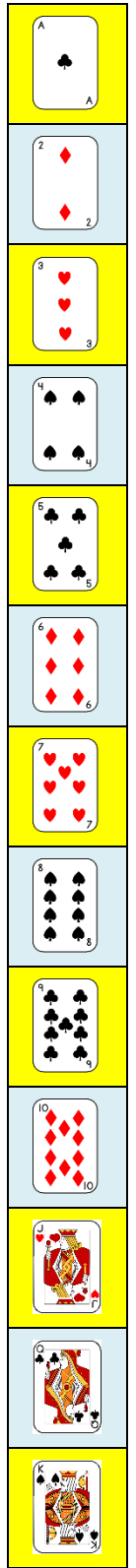
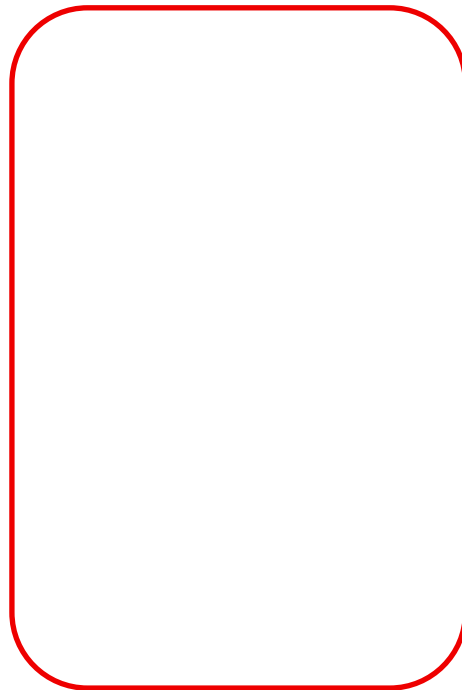
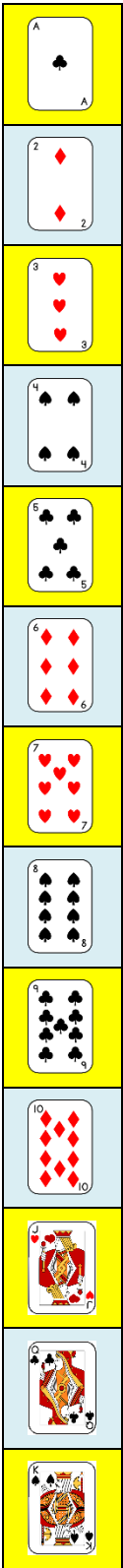
Player 1 rolls a 2, 1 and a 3. They cannot cover up any cards with this roll so play passes to the next player.

Player 2 rolls a 4, 5 and 2. They choose to cover up the 7 using  $5 + 4 - 2 = 7$ . They pick up the 7 of diamonds and it is replaced.



Play continues like this until one of the players manages to get 4 cards in a row.

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CARD	ACE	JACK	QUEEN	KING
				
VALUE	1	11	12	13

