

# SPOONS!

**Tri-Hand™**  
Rock, Paper, Scissors Cards

## Between 3 and 19 Players

Play with ONE set of three identical cards for EACH player.

### Aim

Grab a spoon!

### How to Play

- Get a spoon for every player except one. So if there are four of you, you need three spoons. Put them where everyone can reach them just as easily.
- Take out one set of three matching cards for each of you. For example, if there are four of you, use three Aces, three Kings, three Queens, and three Jacks. You also start with three 'lives'.
- You're in charge! Shuffle the cards, and deal them out. Each player now picks up their hand... Every few seconds, you then start calling out, "Pass!". When you do, everyone takes one card from their hand and passes it, face down on the table, to the person on their left.
- As quickly as possible, players must pick up the card they've been passed.
- This continues until one of you gets three-of-a-kind. You might have three Jacks, for example. When this happens, whoever has the three-of-a-kind must get hold of a spoon...
- Players may either grab spoons very obviously, or pick them up sneakily!
- As soon as one of you picks up a spoon, though, you must ALL try and get one!
- If anyone picks up a spoon when no one has three-of-a-kind, THEY lose a life...

- That means you can also choose to bluff as a tactic. Just PRETEND you have three-of-a-kind, and make a fake grab for a spoon!
- If you're the player left without a spoon, you lose one of your three lives.
- When a person has no lives left, they're out! Take away one of the spoons. Keep going until there are two players and just one spoon. Then it's sudden death...

### Sudden Death

- Remember: if you're reading this, you're in charge! So... Shuffle 3 sets of 3 cards together, then deal 3 face-down hands: one for the other player, one for yourself and one next to the last spoon...
- The cards that go down next to the spoon should be spread out so that you and the other player can grab any card.
- When you're both looking at your cards, you must count to three out loud... Each of you then picks up ONE card from next to the spoon.
- As fast as possible, you both now put any one of the cards you're holding face down next to the spoon.
- When one of you gets three-of-a-kind, put down the fourth card, THEN grab the spoon as usual.
- You MUST have only three cards in your hand before grabbing the spoon.

**Whoever has a life left at the end WINS.**

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### PLAY WITH ANY SETS OF 3 MATCHING CARDS...



Use one set of 3 matching cards for every player. They can be numbers or images.

**Note:** For younger players, or an easier game, use single-picture cards.

**(Spoons not included)**