

Ninety Nine

What you will need:

Deck of Cards (all cards including jokers)

Players: 2-4

Purpose of the game: Practice mental math in adding and subtracting, and game strategies.

Total value of pile can never exceed “99”.

Rules of the game:

Each card counts for its face value except:

- 9's simply allow the player to pass, they are neither added to or subtracted from the total.
- 10's are a - 10, requiring the player to subtract 10 from the total.
- the joker is “99” (you can play after the joker if you have a 9, a 10, or another joker).
- Aces count as 1 and all face cards are 10.

What you will do:

1. Each player is dealt 3 cards.
2. The first player plays a card and states the value of the card.
3. First player draws a card, keeping his/her hand at 3 cards.
4. The second player plays a card and states the value of the two cards added together (unless the second player plays a 9, a 10 or a joker). Second player draws a card, keeping his/her hand at 3 cards.
5. For example, if player 1 plays a 7, he/she would say 7. Draws a card. If the second player plays an 8, he/she would say 15. Draws a card. If a third player plays a ten, he/she would say 5, and so on. Draws a card.
6. The player to reach 99 with **NO OTHER PLAYER** being able to play a card, wins. Remember, after the pile reaches 99, players can still play a 9, 10 or joker.

