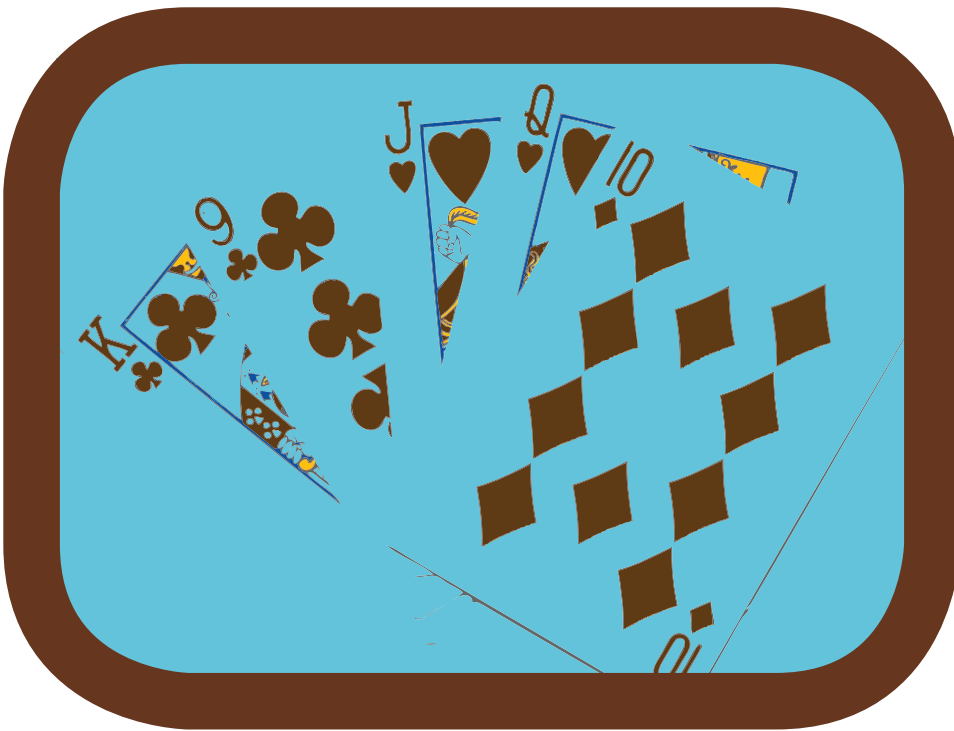


Card Games



The worksheets in this chapter are based on the following areas:

- recognising symbols in decks of cards,
- understanding the basic rules of poker,
- using apostrophes for missing letters, and
- using apostrophes to show ownership.

For help with the worksheets, you can:

- call the NALA Freephone support line at 1800 20 20 65 on Monday to Friday between 10am and 4pm, or
- check out the Really Useful Guide to Words and Numbers Web site on www.rug.ie.

Reading: Posters

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Reading: Posters

See if you can answer these questions based on the poster on the previous page.

1. Where is the game taking place?

2. How much does it cost to join the game?

3. What evening is it on?

4. What is the cost of the online credit?

5. What is unlimited for the first hour?

6. If you need more information, what number should you call?

Reading: Playing Cards

There are 52 cards in a deck with 13 cards in each suit. The cards are numbered 2 to 10. Then there are the **picture cards** - Jack, Queen, King and Ace.



There are four suits – hearts, diamonds, spades and clubs.



Texas Hold'em is a popular poker game played all over the world. Each player in a game is given a hand of cards. You can only see your own hand. You then bet money and other players have to decide if they think their hand is better than yours. All bets go into the centre of the table. This is called the **pot**. The object of the game is to win the pot.

Writing: Poker Hands

Look at each of the poker hands shown below and then write out what is in each hand. The first one is done for you.

1.



Two of diamonds

Four of diamonds

Jack of spades

Jack of diamonds

King of diamonds

2.



3.



4.



5.



Reading: Poker Hands

Poker hands are ranked from best to worst. Some hands even have a name. For example, a hand with four cards of the same number is sometime called a 'poker'. Here is a list of poker hands ranked in order.

1. Straight Flush

Five cards in sequence in the same suit.
A straight flush from 10 to Ace is called a 'Royal Flush'.



2. Four of a kind or a Poker

A hand with four cards of the same number.

3. Full House

A hand with three cards of one value and 2 cards of another value.
This is a 'house of twos over fours'.





4. **Flush**

A hand where all five cards are of the same suit. This is a spade flush.

5. **Straight or a Run**

A hand where the five cards can be arranged in numerical order. This hand is a straight, or run, to the King.



7. **Three of a Kind**

A hand with three cards of the same rank. This hand has three nines.

8. **Two Pair**

Two pairs of cards of the same value.



9. **One Pair**

This is the basic poker hand, where there are two cards of the same value. This is a pair of Jacks.

Reading: Poker Hands

Look at each of the poker hands shown below. Then draw lines to match each hand to the correct description. The first one is done for you.



Straight



Flush



Three nines



Pair of Jacks



House of Twos
over Fours

Writing: Apostrophes for Missing Letters

Texas Hold'em is the name of a game of poker. But have you ever wondered why there is an apostrophe in the middle of the name?

It's there to show that a letter is missing. The full name of the game is **Texas Hold Them**. So the apostrophe is used to replace the letters **Th** to shorten the name to **Texas Hold'em**.

When we speak, we often push words together to sound like one word. Instead of saying **I am late for work** it is easier to say **I'm late for work**.

We leave out the **a** and put in the symbol **'** instead. This is called an **apostrophe**.

Here are some more examples:

has not	—	hasn't	—	leave out the o
that is	—	that's	—	leave out the i
we are	—	we're	—	leave out the a

Writing: Apostrophes for Missing Letters

Now try to match the words to their shortened form.
The first one is done for you.

- | | | |
|----|---------|--------|
| 1. | Do not | Let's |
| 2. | Cannot | Hasn't |
| 3. | We will | Don't |
| 4. | Let us | Can't |
| 5. | Has not | We'll |

Here are some more shortened words. Write them out in full.
The first one is done for you.

- | | | | | | |
|----|----------|---------------|-----|--------|-------|
| 1. | who's | <u>who is</u> | 6. | wasn't | _____ |
| 2. | isn't | _____ | 7. | you'll | _____ |
| 3. | that's | _____ | 8. | you've | _____ |
| 4. | wouldn't | _____ | 9. | I've | _____ |
| 5. | didn't | _____ | 10. | we've | _____ |

Writing: Apostrophes for Ownership

You can also use apostrophes at the end of a word to show that something belongs to someone or something. For example,

John's deck of cards - The cards **belong to** John

The **girl's** bag - The bag **belonging** to the girl.

TIP: Don't make the mistake of putting an apostrophe wherever you see an S.

For example: All the cats are asleep in the basket.

Look at the sentences and rewrite them putting in the apostrophe. The first one is done for you.

1. It was very late when we arrived at Taras house.

It was very late when we arrived at Tara's house.

2. My fathers keys fell through the grill.

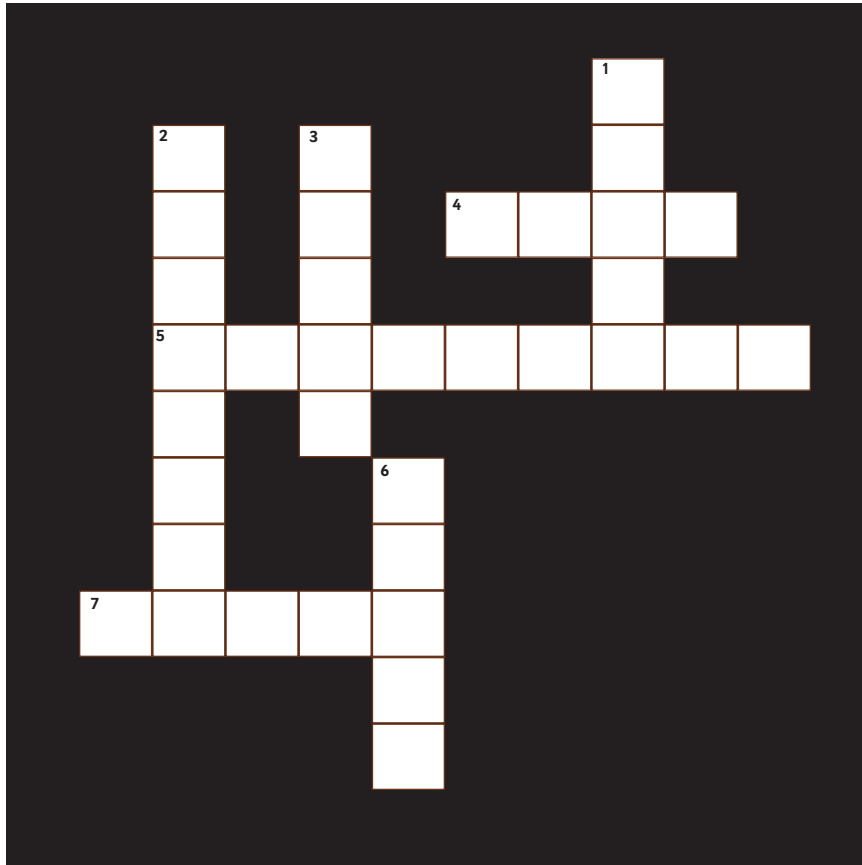
3. My friends bag was stolen out of her car.

4. The countrys latest lottery millionaire is keeping very quiet.

5. A rabbits foot is supposed to be very lucky.

Crossword

All the words in this crossword are to do with card games. Fill in the crossword by answering the clues. The numbers after each clue tell you how many letters are in the answer.



Across

4. Number of suits in a deck (4).
5. Number of red cards in a deck (6,3).
7. Name of card game starting with P (5).

Down

1. Look like shamrocks (5).
2. Number of cards in a deck (5,3).
3. Female picture card (5).
6. Number of picture cards in a suit (5).