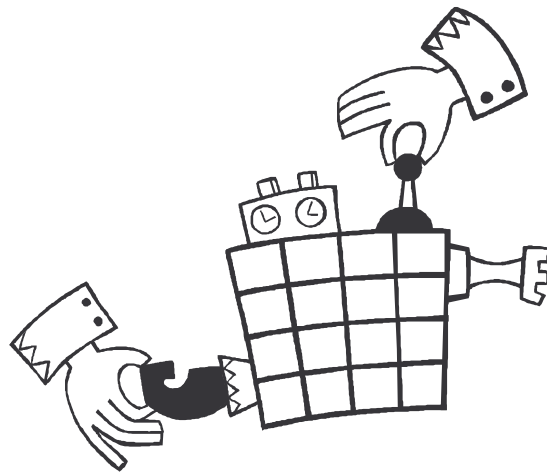


This set consists of 10 strategy games based on ancient and classic board games. The games are small in format, and are designed to be stored in zipper-sealed plastic baggies. To assemble, simply print the game boards and instructions onto cardstock and then cut game boards and instructions apart. Store the game boards and necessary pieces in the baggie, and tape the instructions to the outside. Each game includes a list of readily obtained supplies. Most games require small glass or plastic stones, such as can be found inexpensively in craft stores as vase fillers, as playing pieces. Some games require dice. The games can be used as math centers, rainy day activities, early finisher activities, etc. They are excellent for teaching logical thinking, math skills, critical thinking, and strategy skills. Students could also be assigned one of the games and instructed to research the history, origins, and variations of the game. A chart including a brief history of each game is included in this packet, as well as a research form for students to use.



Shut the Box

Materials:

- 2 dice
- 12 small glass or plastic stones (of any color)

Object:

- On your turn, cover as many of the number tiles as possible.

Number of Players: 1 to 4 (or more)

Directions:

- Uncover all the number tiles. Roll the dice and add up the dots.
- Use stones to cover a tile or tiles that add up to the number rolled. For example, if a 7 is rolled, you may cover up the 7, the 6 and 1, the 5 and 2, or the 3 and 4.
- Continue rolling and covering tiles until you cannot cover up any more tiles with the number rolled. If you cover all the tiles, you have "Shut the Box"!
- To find your score, add up the values of the uncovered tiles.
- Uncover all tiles for the next player's turn. Player 2 rolls the dice and covers tiles as above.
- The lowest score wins!

Shut the Box

1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12

Nine Men's Morris

Materials:

- 18 small glass or plastic stones (9 each of 2 different colors)
- Game board

Object:

- Remove all but 2 of your opponent's stones, or trap your opponent so that he or she cannot make a move.

Number of Players: 2

Directions:

- First Phase- Players take turns placing their stones, one at a time, onto any empty circle on the game board. When a player forms a row of 3 stones in a straight line (not diagonally), he or she removes one of the opponent's stones. This is called forming a mill. **Stones in a mill are safe from being captured.** Continue phase 1 until all stones are placed on the board.
- Second Phase- Players take turns moving stones, one at a time, into any empty connected circle. Each time a mill is made, the player removes one of his or her opponent's stones.
- Mills can be made and unmade as many times as a player desires.
- To win, remove all except 2 of your opponent's stones, or block your opponent's pieces so that they may not move.

Nine Men's Morris

