

# Traditional Games



## Hats Off!



It was originally billed at the time of its release as "The New Card Game Brimful of Merriment".

Cheaply printed in black and white in a small size this game proved to be very popular.

### To use the game

#### Print out two of both sheets

You can print out this game on card or print it on paper and then glue it to a piece of card or board.

If you want to save it from wear, you can protect it with a light coat of acrylic varnish. If you would like to give the board an appearance of age, you can paint it with a light wash of cold tea or coffee, to stain it before you varnish. Another method is to add a small amount of the acrylic colour "raw sienna" to the varnish itself.

### Cutting out the Pieces

Please take care cutting out the pieces. For safety sake, children should only be allowed to do this under adult supervision.

### The Rules

Two to five players can enjoy this screamingly funny game. The cards are shuffled and placed on the table face downwards. Players take a turn in removing a card from the pack and placing it down in a pile. When a card without a hat appears on the pile, players try to be first in recognizing this. They must shout "HATS OFF I" and also touch lightly the crown of their head. The first player to do both things takes the pile. When there remain no more cards in the pack to pick up, players continue to go with



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cards from their pile of winnings, if any. Winnings must be placed face downwards. The player who has cards left when all other players have no more cards to go with is the winner.

## **The Games**

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We hope you enjoy the game!

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