

Limbo Card Game

Separate the red and black cards from a deck to play an easy, two-person game. You win by going the lowest in each hand, just like the limbo dance.

Object of the game: Run out of cards before your opponent.

Number of players: 2 at a time

Supplies: A standard deck of cards with the jokers removed. Separate the black suits and red suits. One player takes the black deck and the other takes the red.

Tip: In this game, aces are low and equal one. Kings, queens, and jacks all equal 10.

Time to limbo:

1. Players take a few minutes before beginning the game to arrange their cards in the order of their choice. They can decide if they think it's smarter to shuffle their cards or put them in a specific order. After playing a few times, players might develop a strategy.
2. Players set their cards in front of them on the table in a facedown pile.
3. When both people are ready, they say, "One, two, limbo." On "limbo," they both turn over the top card of their deck.
4. The player with the highest card takes both cards. They put the card they played on the bottom of their facedown stack. The other card goes off to the side.
5. If the cards are worth the same amount, players turn up a second card and add their two cards together. The highest sum loses, and the player with the losing hand takes all the cards. They add the cards that match their color to the bottom of their deck and add the cards of the opposite color to the discard pile on the side.
6. If two cards in a row are worth the same amount, players put down a third card and add up all three, and so on, until there is a winner.
7. The player who runs out of cards first wins the game.

