

Jhyap

2-5 players

52 cards

Difficulty: Easy

Duration: Short

Be the first player to get rid of all your cards.

SETUP

- Deal all cards to the players.
- Player with 3 of Spades starts.
- No draw pile is used.

SCORING

- First to shed all cards wins.
- Last player with cards receives a penalty point.

Tip: Save powerful combos to reclaim the lead at critical moments.

ON YOUR TURN

- Play a higher combination of the same type, or pass.
- If all pass, last player leads a new combination.
- Play any valid combo when leading.

Jhyap is a popular Nepali shedding card game where players try to get rid of all their cards by playing valid combinations. The last player holding cards is the loser.

Objective

Be the first to shed all your cards by playing valid singles, pairs, triples, four of a kind, or sequences.

Setup

1. **Players:** 2 to 5 players.
2. **Deck:** Standard 52-card deck.
3. **Deal:** Deal the entire deck as evenly as possible. The player with the 3 of Spades (or lowest card) starts.

Gameplay

1. **Step 1:** The starting player leads with any valid combination: a single, pair, triple, four of a kind, or consecutive sequence.
2. **Step 2:** Subsequent players must play the same type of combination but of higher rank, or pass.
3. **Step 3:** When all players pass in succession, the last player who played clears the pile and leads a new combination.
4. **Step 4:** Play continues until one player sheds all their cards. That player wins, and play continues to find the loser (the last player with cards).

Scoring

- The first player to empty their hand wins the round.
- In multi-round games, the last player left receives a penalty point. The player with the fewest penalty points after all rounds wins.

Variations

- **Jhyap with Jokers:** Add Jokers as wild cards that can substitute for any card in a combination.
- **Speed Jhyap:** Players have a time limit of 5 seconds to play or they must pass automatically.

Tips and Strategies

- Save your highest cards and four-of-a-kind combos to regain the lead when others pass.
- Try to play low pairs and triples early to thin your hand without wasting strong cards.
- Watch what others play and pass to figure out which suits and ranks they are short on.

Tips & Strategy

Manage your high cards carefully, saving them to reclaim the lead. Balance between shedding cards quickly and retaining control of play.

Controlling the lead is vital. The player who leads gets to choose the combination type, which lets them dictate the pace and shed cards on their terms.