

## Playing Maths Trumps Games – One Player Version

Each game has instructions for multiple player use and we do not reproduce them here. Great fun will be had competing with others to play the games.

We know, however, that for some uses and for some users, playing on your own is a very good idea. You get time to answer, you can revise and think through those answers without others pressing you, and of course you can do when there are no other players around. Here's how:

1. Set aside the answer cards and place the game cards in a separate pile (the 'game' pile), with one card facing (you might want to shuffle the cards first).
2. Choose a category and try to answer the question (preferably using pencil and paper).
3. Check your answer against that given on the answer card.
4. If you are correct, place that card in a separate pile (your 'winning cards' pile). If incorrect, place the card at the back of your game pile to be tried again later.
5. Make a note on a sheet of paper that you have now played 1 round.
6. Repeat from step 2.

The aim of the game is to transfer all of your cards to your winning pile in as few rounds as possible.

For more **advanced** players, the above can also incorporate the bonus questions:

Steps 1 to 3 are the same as described above

Step 4. If you are correct, try to also answer the bonus question on your card. If you answer the bonus question correctly, place the card **and the next card** into your winning pile. If incorrect, place the card at the back of your game pile to be tried again later.

Steps 5 and 6 are the same as described above.

For **even more advanced** players, try the above game with multiple categories (or all of them!). You can then only place a card in your winning pile if you answer **every** category correctly!

*Maths Trumps Cards are available online from [www.tarquingroup.com](http://www.tarquingroup.com) and through Amazon – and many good shops.*