



# ALL ABOUT AUSTRALIAN COINS

## Card game ideas

Here are some ideas for using the sets of coin cards.

### Higher and lower

The aim of this game is to be the first player to get rid of all your cards.

You will need:

- 2 – 4 players
- one set of coin cards (a set is 36 cards)
- a fifty cent coin

How to play:

- Deal five cards to each player and place the rest of the cards, face down in the middle.
- Place the fifty cent coin next to the pile.
- The first player must play a card that is higher than fifty cents, by placing it on top of the fifty cent coin. You cannot play a card of equal value to the coin (i.e. you can't play a fifty cent card).

If they cannot (i.e. they do not have a card that is higher than fifty cents), they take a card from the pile and the next player gets a chance to play a higher card.



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- Once a higher card has been played, the next card played must be lower than the card on the pile.

For example:

Player one cannot play a card higher than fifty cents, so they pick up a card from the pile.

Player two plays a one dollar coin card.

Player three must play a card lower than one dollar and plays a twenty cent card.

Player four must play a card higher than twenty cents and so plays a two dollar coin card.

- The play alternates between higher and lower until one player has played all their cards and they are the winner.

**Note:** If you run out of cards for the 'pick-up' pile, use the cards that have already been played.



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## Up or down

The aim of this game is to be the first player to get rid of all your cards.

What you will need:

- 2-4 players
- one set of coin cards (a set is 36 cards)

How to play:

- Deal five cards to each player and place the remaining cards, face down, in the middle.
- Turn the top card over and place it face up next to the pile.
- Player one must play a card that is either one below or one above the card (e.g. if a fifty cent card is turned over, they can play a one dollar card or a twenty cent card). If they cannot play a card they must draw one from the deck.
- This continues until one player has no cards left and they are the winner.

## Other options

These cards can also be used to play card games such as 'Go fish', 'Snap' or 'Memory'.



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## Coin cards

You will need six copies of this sheet to make one set of 36 cards.

**5c**



**Five cents**

**10c**



**Ten cents**

**20c**



**Twenty cents**

**50c**



**Fifty cents**

**\$1**



**One dollar**

**\$2**



**Two dollars**



Lower  
Primary



Primary



Middle  
Years