

# BARNYARD BEDLAM™

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR PLAY**



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**Players:** For 2 to 6 players, the best fun is with 5 or 6 players.

**Ages:** 4 and above.

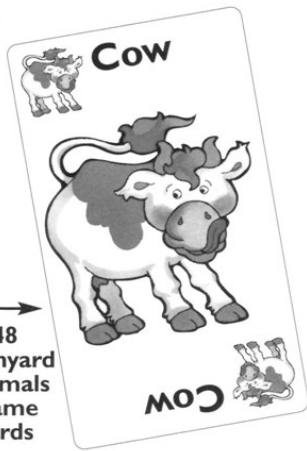
**Contents:**

6

Animal  
Sound  
cards



48  
Barnyard  
Animals  
Game  
cards



## Before you play:

Lay out all 6 of the **Animal Sound** cards face down on the table between everyone. Each player chooses one card and lays it face up in front of themselves. Everyone should practice saying their animal sounds. Everyone should take a moment or so to see what the other players animal sound is, you need to remember these. Each player should now turn over their animal card and set it to the side so it is not in their way. (Players should keep their animal sound card in case of a dispute about who has which sound).

## Dealing the cards:

Shuffle the deck and deal out all the cards one at a time, face down, until they are all gone. It is OK if all players do not have the same amount. Players should not look at their cards! Keep your cards face down in a pile in front of you.

## How to Play:

The youngest player goes first and play continues around the table in a clockwise manner. The first player should turn over one card and start a face up pile. The next player then turns over one card and starts their face up pile. Each player does the same in turn around the table.

All players need to keep an eye out for the next player who turns up a card that matches theirs. When they spot that card, they need to say that player's animal sound **three times**. They then take the other player's face up card pile (all the cards in the pile) and add them to the bottom of their face down pile. However, the player who turned over the matching card gets to say the sound as well. If both players spot the match at the same time, the one who completes saying the sound 3 times first wins the face up pile of the other player.

Play continues like this around the table. Each time 2 players have matching cards, the race is on to see who can say the other's sound first! Only the players whose cards match can say the sounds. (Only correct sounds win. If you say the wrong sound for that player, they automatically get your face-up pile.)

If you run out of cards in your face-down pile, on your next turn, turn over your face-up pile and continue on. Play continues until one player has won all the cards.

## Variations on Play:

For a shorter version, play just until the first person has run out of cards and everyone else wins!

These cards can also be used for a fun game of "Go Fish" using just the Barnyard Animals cards. Even more fun is calling out the animal sounds instead of their names! "Do you have a moo?," "Do you have a quack?..."

## Multi-Age Play Variations:

4-5 year-olds: Keep the sound cards laying face up on the table even during play. As their memories grow, try turning the cards over so they must remember the sounds.

6 year-olds and older may want to expand on the game by making up their own animal sounds or names. The longer the name you take, the harder it will be for the other players to say it three times before the other players... cow, cow, cow is much easier to say than rhinoceros, rhinoceros, rhinoceros!



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