

## Rules of Mafia

### Point of game:

- For civilians, to kill all members of mafia.
- For members of mafia, to kill all civilians.

### How you get killed:

- Either, (1) At night, by the mafia.
- Or (2) During the day, by majority vote.

### The players:

**Narrator:** one person, chosen at the beginning, is not a member of the game itself. The narrator knows who everyone is. He narrates the events of the day and night, such as telling everyone who the mafia killed at night, telling policeman whether he pointed at a member of mafia, initiating votes, ...

**Civilians (black numbered cards):** The goal for civilians is to kill all members of mafia. Ordinary civilians do not know anyone's cards but their own. So, they do not know who the members of the mafia are or who other civilians are. They participate in deciding who to blame for the killing of someone. They can also get killed at night by the mafia.

**Masons (red numbered cards):** Masons are civilians, but they know each other, so they have the advantage that they know for sure that some other people are also civilians. At one point in the night, Masons open their eyes to identify each other.

**Policemen (red J, Q, K):** Policemen are also civilians, except they can ID a potential mafia member. At one point in the night, policemen open their eyes and identify each other. Then they silently point at one person, and the narrator gives them an indication of whether that person is a member of the mafia (by showing a thumbs up or thumbs down).

**Mafia (black J, Q, K, (A)):** The goal for members of mafia is to kill all civilians. There are two ways they can do so. During one point of the night, members of mafia open their eyes to identify each other. Then they silently point at one person whom they want to kill. The next morning the narrator announces that this person is dead. (Except for the first night, during which no one is killed). Mafia members can also kill civilians during the day, by "blaming" the death at night on one of them. However, members of mafia should be careful not to give out their identity, since they are always in the minority, and can also be voted off during the day.

**Godfather (black Ace):** The godfather is a member of the mafia, with the exception that he is IDed as a civilian. That is, if the policemen point to him at night, the narrator gives them a thumbs down.

**Doctor (red Ace):** The doctor is a civilian, except he has the power to bring people back to life. At one point at night, the doctor opens his eyes and silently points to a dead person, who the narrator then announces as alive in the morning, and this person gets back in the game. However, the doctor does not know whether the person he brings back is a member of mafia or civilian.

### The game:

Everyone (except narrator) gets a card, which indicates the person's role. No one knows anyone else's cards (except the narrator), and no one is allowed to show anyone else his card. However, people are allowed to say who they are (though it might not be the truth). When a person dies, his card, and thus his identity, is also not revealed (until the end of the game, of course).

The game proceeds as follows:

-First it is night, and the narrator tells everyone to close his eyes. Then the narrator tells select groups to open their eyes. To review:

First, masons open their eyes to identify each other.

Second, members of mafia open their eyes to identify each other, and point to the person they wish to kill (except for the first night).

Third, policemen open their eyes to identify each other, and point to the person they wish to identify as either mafia member or civilian. The narrator gives a thumbs up or thumbs down sign.

Fourth, doctor opens his eyes and points, if he wants, to the person he wishes to bring back to life.

-Then night is over. The narrator tells everyone to open his eyes. He announces who died in the middle of the night (i.e. who the mafia pointed to). That person is out of the game. Then he says, if it applies, who was brought back to life.

Then people have to decide on who they think killed the person at night, in other words, who they think the members of the mafia are. When enough people decide on a specific person, the narrator announces an official vote. People who believe that person to be guilty raise their hands. If they majority of the players vote guilty, that person is killed, and is out of the game. Then it is night again.

The game is over when either all of the civilians or all of the members of the mafia are dead.