

# How To Use American Promise Cards for Freedom

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**Download this PDF and print it at home. You can use regular white paper, or heavy white cardstock if you have any.**



**The cards are black and white, so don't worry if you don't have a color printer.**



**Cut the cards along the lines using scissors or an ancient katana. The more precisely you cut the cards, the easier they'll be to handle later. If you use a katana, we recommend the traditional jōge-suburi overhead strike.**



**You're done!**

# Game Rules

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## Basic Rules

To start the game, each player draws five white cards.

The player who most recently laughed begins as the Card Hero and draws a black card.

The Card Hero reads the question or fill-in-the-blank phrase on the black card out loud. Everyone else answers the question or fills in the blank by passing one white card, face down, to the Card Hero.

The Card Hero then shuffles all the answers and reads each card combination out loud to the group. The Card Hero should re-read the black card before presenting each answer. Finally, the Card Hero picks the funniest play, and whoever submitted it gets one point.

After the round, a new player becomes the Card Hero and everyone draws back up to ten white cards.

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## PICK 2

Some black cards say “PICK 2” on the bottom. To answer these, each player plays two white cards in combination. **IMPORTANT:** Arrange them in the order that the Card Hero should read them—play the first card face down, and then play the second card face down on top of it.

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## Gambling

If you have more than one white card that you think could win a round, you can bet one of your points to play an extra white card. If you win, you keep the point. If you lose, whoever wins gets the point you wagered.

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## House Rules

Cards For Freedom is meant to be remixed. Here are some of our favorite ways to switch out the rules:

**Rando Cardrissian:** Every round, pick one random white card from the pile and place it into play. This card belongs to an imaginary player named Rando Cardrissian, and if he wins the game, all players go home in a state of everlasting shame.

**Happy Ending:** When you're ready to end the game, play the “Make a haiku” black card. This is the official ceremonial ending of a good game of Cards For Freedom. Note: Haikus don't need to follow the 5-7-5 form. They just have to be read dramatically.

**Never Have I Ever:** At any time, players may discard cards that they don't understand, but they must confess their lack of inlet to the group.

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## House Rules (cont.)

**Wheaton's Law:** Each round, the Card Hero draws two black cards, chooses the one they'd prefer to play, and puts the other at the bottom of the black card pile.

**Rebooting the Universe:** At any time, players may trade in a point to return as many white cards as they'd like to the deck and draw back to five.

**Packing Heat:** For Pick 2s, all players draw an extra card before playing the hand to open up more options.

**Meritocracy:** Instead of passing clockwise, the role of Card Hero passes to the winner of the previous round.

**Smooth Operator:** If a player slips a card from their hand into conversation without anyone noticing, they may trade it for one point. If the player is called out, they lose a point. If this rule is confusing, you're taking this game too seriously.

**Tie Breaker:** If the Card Hero can't decide between two white cards, they may declare a Tie Breaker. In the event of a Tie Breaker, the more conventionally attractive player wins.

**Chubby Bunny:** Players crumple up their winning cards and keep them in their mouths as points.

**Hail to the Chief:** A player may earn a point at any time by announcing candidacy for and successfully being elected President of the United States of America.

**Wait for Godot:** At the start of the game, instead of drawing a hand, players stare at the pile of white cards. After an indeterminate amount of time, players move their gaze to the pile of black cards. The game doesn't begin. How can it begin? It has already ended. In the gloom, players shift their cloudy gaze from pile to pile. Is it a trick of the light, or do the black cards and white cards seem to converge in an indistinguishable grayness? Mote by mote, dust settles on the cards. Nobody accumulates points. Nobody wins.

**Don't play Cards For Freedom:** Walk to a park. Call your mother. Live a little.

**Political mailers  
make me feel**

\_\_\_\_\_.



**Black Card**

**An America where  
everyone has equal  
rights is** \_\_\_\_\_.



**Black Card**

**Ted Cruz and Nancy  
Pelosi sit down on  
either side of you.  
Your reaction is**

\_\_\_\_\_.



**Black Card**

**When I hear Born in  
the USA, I feel**

\_\_\_\_\_.



**Black Card**

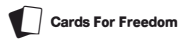
**The Founding  
Fathers look at  
America today and  
think it's**

\_\_\_\_\_.



**Black Card**

**What gets better  
with age?**



**Black Card**

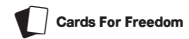
**With enough time  
\_\_\_\_\_ will turn into**

\_\_\_\_\_.



**Black Card**

**Next on CSPAN:**



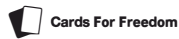
**Black Card**

**What's my  
superpower?**



**Black Card**

**My political  
campaign slogan:**



**Black Card**

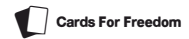
**America is a nation  
that can be defined  
in a single word:**

\_\_\_\_\_.



**Black Card**

**Step 1:  
Step 2:  
Step 3: Profit.**



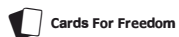
**PICK 2  
Black Card**

**Betcha can't have  
just one!**



**Black Card**

**CNN breaking  
news! Over half of  
Americans are  
now** \_\_\_\_\_.



**Black Card**

**Here's how Bernie  
can still win:**

\_\_\_\_\_.



**Black Card**

**Why I got banned  
on Twitter:**

\_\_\_\_\_.



**Black Card**

**Why I'm voting this  
year:** \_\_\_\_\_.



**Black Card**

**\_\_\_\_\_ is taking  
Washington DC by  
storm.**



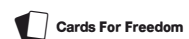
**Black Card**

**When asked about  
the biggest threat  
facing the nation,  
most Americans  
said** \_\_\_\_\_.



**Black Card**

**Now on Broadway:  
Hamilton 2, \_\_\_\_\_  
Boogalo.**



**Black Card**

**It's BIG. It's SCARY. It's \_\_\_\_\_!**

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**Black Card**

**Andrew Yang's newest proposal: \_\_\_\_\_ Basic Income.**

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**Black Card**

**Not left, not right, but \_\_\_\_\_.**

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**Black Card**

**\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
2024.**

 Cards For Freedom

**PICK 2  
Black Card**

**50% of all elections end in \_\_\_\_\_.**

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**Black Card**

**My fellow Americans: Before this decade is out, we will have \_\_\_\_\_ on the moon!**

 Cards For Freedom

**Black Card**

**\_\_\_\_\_? Thanks, Obama.**

 Cards For Freedom

**Black Card**

**"I did not have \_\_\_\_\_ relations with \_\_\_\_\_."**

 Cards For Freedom

**PICK 2  
Black Card**

**Vote \_\_\_\_\_ no matter who.**

 Cards For Freedom


**Black Card**

**Make \_\_\_\_\_ Great Again.**

 Cards For Freedom

**Black Card**

**It's \_\_\_\_\_ again in America.**

 Cards For Freedom

**Black Card**

**I'll make my own party! With \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.**

 Cards For Freedom

**PICK 2  
Black Card**

**Our next debate topic:**

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**Black Card**

**\_\_\_\_\_ is a slippery slope that leads to \_\_\_\_\_.**

 Cards For Freedom

**PICK 2  
Black Card**

**"I am once again asking for \_\_\_\_\_."**

 Cards For Freedom

**Black Card**

**It's \_\_\_\_\_, stupid.**

 Cards For Freedom


**Black Card**

**Just saw this upsetting video! Please retweet!! #stop \_\_\_\_\_.**

 Cards For Freedom

**Black Card**

**When I am President, I will create the Department of \_\_\_\_\_.**

 Cards For Freedom

**Black Card**

**Our political system was completely ruined by \_\_\_\_\_.**

 Cards For Freedom

**Black Card**

**\_\_\_\_\_.  
It's a trap!**

 Cards For Freedom

**Black Card**

**Our political system**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**The Constitution**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**The Founding Fathers**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Money in politics**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**A windmill full of money**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**The whole legislation**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Thomas Jefferson**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**My voting record**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Lady Liberty**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Billionaires**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**The American Dream**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Pure evil**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Glorious**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**A hot mess**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Star-Spangled!!**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Yikes**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Singing the Star-Spangled Banner 100xs**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**The Spiral of Silence**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**OBSESSED**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**A thing of beauty**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

<p><b>Too good to be true</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Cringe-worthy</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Binge-worthy</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Political Ads</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>
<p><b>Proud to be an American</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Gouge my eyes out!</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Say what?!?</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Fickle</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>
<p><b>Staunch</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Unpatriotic</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>The statue of liberty</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Donald Trump</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>
<p><b>“Diamond Joe” Biden</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Don’t hate the player, hate the game</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>A 7-hour speech on the benefits of election reform</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Fireworks on the 4th of July</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>
<p><b>Covfefe</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Hillary Clinton’s emails</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>The Great Depression</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Overthrowing the government</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>

**Literally ruining my life**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Extraordinarily tiny hands**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**The filibuster**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**The Libertarian Party**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**The Green Party**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**The Truth**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**“I am not a crook!”**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Drama!**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Fake news**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Big business**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Everything’s a scandal**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Cancel culture**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Running for president**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Building the wall**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Canada**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Fox News**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**MSNBC**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Super PACs**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**Taxes.**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

**“Let’s go Brandon!”**

 Cards For Freedom ( White Card )

<p><b>The Department of Agriculture</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Teddy Roosevelt's Big Stick</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Committing treason.</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>A basket of deplorables</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>
<p><b>Florida Man</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Voting for the lesser of two evils</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Seething with quiet resentment.</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>The status quo</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>
<p><b>Jeb!</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>\$600 stimulus check</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Centrism</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Party lines</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>
<p><b>Space Force</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Bigly</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>The haters and losers</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Strategy</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>
<p><b>Woke</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>United States v. Article Consisting of 50,000 Cardboard Boxes More or Less, Each Containing One Pair of Clacker Balls</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>This month's money problem.</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>	<p><b>Whatever a "comptroller" does</b></p> <p> Cards For Freedom ( White Card )</p>