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Introduction

The Strange Forgeries Of Mr. S. C. Rheber is a game of logic where some players (the Collectors) will purchase art from their dealer (the Gallerist) to fill their Museums. However some of the paintings are Fakes crafted by the talented forger Simon Charles Rheber. Collectors will need to sharpen their sense of observation to recognize which painting is one of the strange forgeries of Mr. Rheber.

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- 96 Artistic Manifesto Cards
- 2 | Gallerist Screen
- 3 6 Transparet Guessing Sheets
- 4 6 Collector Boards
- 5 7 Blocks of 100 colored papers 5cmx5cm
- 6 6 Clamps
- 7 | Pencil

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- 8 7 Black Markers
- 9 | Forger Board
- 10 7 Museum Folders 4x5
- 11 | Turn Tracker Board
- 12 | Turn Tracker Token
- 13 6 Collector Tokens
- 14 | Scam Token
- 15 | Auction Token
- 16 | Forger Token
- 17 | Gallerist Token



How to use this Rulebook

If this is your first game we suggest you play with the **BAJIC VARIANT** (pp. 3-9) a few times before moving onto the **INTERMEDIATE VARIANT** (pp. 10-15) or **AD**» **VANCED VARIANT** (pp. 16-24).

The **BASIC VARIANT** is a great introduction for new players to the genre of Inductive Reasoning Games, and offers many hours of fun and creativity. Read the **Rulls** of **BASIC VARIANT** (pp. 3-5) before starting playing.

If it is your first time moderating **The Strange Forgeries Of Mr. S.C.Rheber** read **Explaining The Rules** (pp. 6-9) during the game: it will help you remember what you have to do and recommend a secret rule taken from the **BASIC EXAMPLES** section (pp. 28-30).

The INTERMEDIATE and ADVANCED VARIANT offer more challenging ways to play the game, so move onto their Rules whenever you want to! They also have a dedicated Explaining The Rules section and EXAMPLES sections (pp. 31-39).

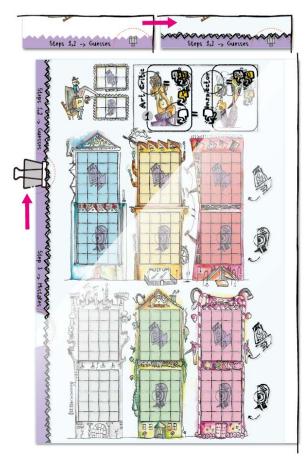




The **Gallerist** invents a secret rule and it's the **Collectors**' objective is to guess it. During the game, the **Collectors** will produce many **Drawings**, and the **Gallerist** will secretly tell them whether it follows the secret rule or not, aka whether the **Drawings** are **Originals** or **Fakes**. At the end of the game, the **Collectors** will put their knowledge to the test, and try to guess whether their opponents' displayed **Drawings** follow the rule or not. **Mistakes** determine the winner, so they'll want to try to make as few **Mistakes** as possible. The **Gallerist** moderates the game trying to create a secret rule that is neither too easy nor too hard to figure out.



- One player is the Gallerist, 2-6 other players are Collectors
- The Gallerist will take the Gallerist Screen, a Pencil, a Marker, and the Block of White Paper
- Assemble each Transparent Guessing Sheet to the left page of the Collector Board using the provided Clips.

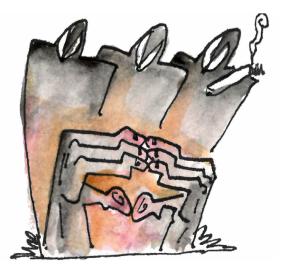


Each Collector will need a Collector Board, the matching Colored Block of Paper, a Marker and a Museum Folder.



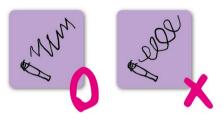
- The Gallerist invents a secret rule by writing a Written Hint and example Drawings behind the Gallerist Screen. This is called the Artistic Manifesto. In the Artistic Manifesto the 6 Drawings on the left conform to the secret rule, but the 6 Drawings on the right do not respect the rule. The Written Hint is useful to explain what the Drawings are not able to explain.
- Set the Auction Level and Scam Level for this game. If you've created your own secret rule check out the Setting Your Own Difficulty section (page 25) in order to set those Levels. If you use an Artistic Manifesto provided in the Example's section (pages 26-39) use the recommended settings for your player count.
- The Gallerist creates an example Drawing that would follow the secret rule. Mark the back with an "0" for Original. They show the Collectors this example. This is the First Masterpiece.





EXHIBITION

- The Gallerist will moderate 6 rounds where the Collectors will produce Drawings until the Gallerist yells "STOP". The Gallerist can only produce one Drawing per round. Players must make at least one mark on the page for it to count as a Drawing. A blank page will not count as conforming to the secret rule.
- Each round they will then submit these Drawings to the Gallerist.
- The Gallerist will mark the back of the submitted Drawings with their Solution. Drawings that follow the rule will be marked with an "0" for an Original. If the Drawing doesn't follow the secret rule, it will be marked with an "X" for a Fake, Drawings marked with their Solutions are now called Masterpieces.

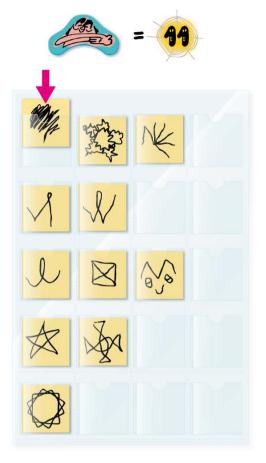


- The Gallerist then returns the Masterpieces to their respective Collectors.
- Before each of the rounds ends, the Gallerist can choose to reveal the Solution of some of their own Drawings.
- The other **Solutions** are kept secret from everyone but the player who drew them until is instructed otherwise.
- Players can look at each others' **Drawings** during the game. Players may also ask each other questions about their **Masterpieces**, and they can choose to ask those questions privately. A player can respond with "yes," "no," or "I can't provide the answer." Players should not describe any **Masterpiece** unless they are specifically asked to do so. The reasoning for this is because it's possible that what the player intended to draw is not the same as what the **Gallerist** interpreted.
- During the **EXHIBITION** rounds the **Gallerist** can give out verbal hints if they choose.

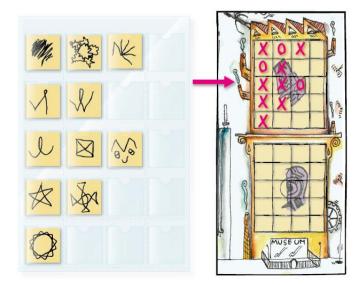


SCAM-OR-AUCTION

After the 6th EXHBITION round, the Collectors decide which Masterpieces to put into their Museum Folders to display. All Collectors slot into their Museum Folders a number of Masterpieces equal to or less than the Auction Level .

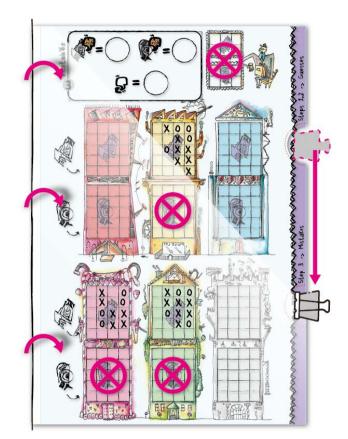


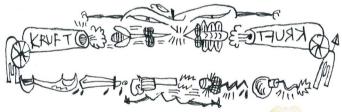
Art Critic's Guess phase: Collectors now guess the Solutions of the other players' displayed Masterpieces using the top grid of the opponents' colors on their Transparent Guessing Sheets. They will write O for Original or an X for Fake.

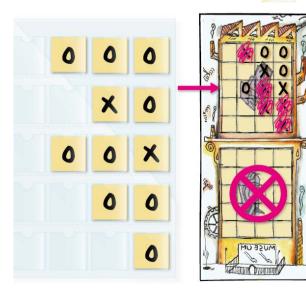


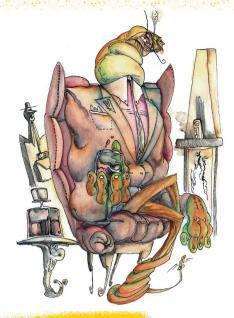
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Once everyone has guessed, flip each Museum Folder to reveal the Solutions. Then each Collector flips their Transparent Guessing Sheet to the right page and marks how many Mistakes they made.









SCORING

Declare if any of the Collectors "Guessed the Rule", which is determined by if they made equal or fewer Mistakes than the Scam Level .



- If only one **Collector** "Guessed the Rule" they win.
- If multiple players Guessed the Rule, then the one who made the fewest Mistakes wins.
- If more than one Collector would win, the winner is the one who made the fewest Masterpieces. Remember: Masterpieces are the Drawings created that have a Solution written on the back of them.
- If they are still tied, they share victory.
- You may hold an optional discussion after the game, to see how close players were to the secret rule.

Explaining The Rules

Read aloud the paragraphs highlighted in gray. Execute the other actions

SETUP

- If you are reading this you should be the Gallerist. All other players will be Collectors.
- The Gallerist will take the Gallerist Screen, a Pencil, a Marker, and the Block of White Paper.
- Assemble each Transparent Guessing Sheet to the left page of the Collector Board using the provided Clips
- Group each Collector Board, the matching Colored Block of Paper, a Marker, a Museum Folder, and a Transparent Guessing Sheet. Collectors will pick their favorite color later.
- Store all other components back in the box. You will not need anything else for the **BASIC VARIANT**

Manifesto

- Chooses a secret rule from the **BASIC EXAMPLES** section (pages 28-30). Copy down the Written Hint as well as Drawings behind the Gallerist Screen. This is called the Artistic Manifesto. In the Artistic Manifesto the 6 Drawings on the left conform to the secret rule, but the 6 Drawings on the right do not respect the rule. The Written Hint is useful to explain what the Drawings are not able to explain.
- Create a Drawing that conforms to the secret rule and mark it with an "0" on the back to show that it is an Original and not a Fake. A Drawing marked as either an Original or a Fake is now called a Masterpiece. You may copy one of the Drawings provided in the BASIC EXAM-FLES. This is the First Masterpiece.
- The EXAMPLE paragraphs in the BASIC EXAMPLES establish the Scam Level A and Auction Level a based on the number of players. Take note of those.

The Strange Forgeries Of Mr. S. C. Rheber (pron. like the german surname Schreber) is a game of logic where you will impersonate wealthy art **Collectors** that try to fill their museums by purchasing art from me, your shady **Gallerist**. However I made a deal with the talented art forger Simon Charles Rheber and, therefore, there will be **Fakes** among the paintings we will see today. As **Collectors** you will need to sharpen your sense of observation to recognize which painting is one of the strange forgeries of Mr. S. C. Rheber.

In this game I will be the **Gallerist** and you will be art **Collectors**: do you want to be a colossal shark lady who owns the monopoly of non-caloric sweetener? Then pick The Sugar Magnate. Or maybe your dream is to be a hybrid between a Swiss nobleman and a Cuckoo clock? The Clockwork Baron is for you! Choose a color and pick your favorite character: there is no difference in gameplay! You will need these folders at the end of the game to "visit" the museums of your opponents and try to figure out which of the paintings in their collections are Fakes.

- Give players some time to choose their color and character. They pick up the corresponding Collector Board, the matching Colored Block of Paper, a Marker, a Museum Folder, and a Transparent Guessing Sheet.
- Reveal your First Masterpiece to all Collectors.

This **Drawing** is the **First Masterpiece**. This painting is the first one of many more and is an **Original** painting. This means that this **Drawing** complies to a secret rule that you have to discover. The **Collector** who is the most accurate at guessing the secret rule will be the winner!

This rule will be used by me every time I need to authenticate one of the **Drawings** we will make: a **Drawing** will be marked as **Fake** during this game if it doesn't respect this rule or marked **Original** if it does respect the secret rule. This secret rule is called the **Artistic Manifesto**.

Show the following illustration of an exemplary Artistic Manifesto and all other examples at the end of this rulebook (p 40)



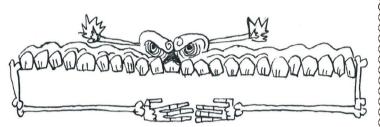
A secret rule inside the Artistic Manifesto looks exactly like what you see in this page: up to 6 Drawings that respect a rule (on the left), and up to 6 Drawings that do not respect the rule (on the right). Sometimes the Artistic Manifesto contains a Written Hint or is expressed as a sentence. Usually it is something like "all figures are of a certain type" or "all figures of a certain type have certain properties" or "there is at least a figure of a certain type" or "a certain type of figures compare with another type of figure in this particular way" ecc... Don't limit yourself to those hypothesis though: they are only the most common ones. Be creative! But keep it simple: the secret rule is often easier than you think. You will be able to peek at the Artistic Manifesto after we will declare a winner.

Gameplay phases of Basic Variant

To be able to guess the Artistic Manifesto you will interrogate me, the Gallerist, with your Drawings during the course of 6 rounds to gather information about the secret rule. In each of those rounds you will make as many Drawings as you want until I say STOP, and afterwards I will secretly authenticate each of your Drawings with their Solutions. I will always write the Solution in the back of a Drawing: I will write an X for Fake and an O for Original. I will write using a pencil so your opponents can't see your Solutions through the paper. Before each round ends, I may choose to reveal the Solution of some of my Drawings to everyone and give out some hints, but, unlike you, I can only produce one Drawing per round.

The first hint of the game is always the **First Masterpiece**, which is guaranteed to be **Original**.

Show the players how a **Museum Folder** works: slot some pieces of paper into a **Museum Folder**. Show them that when the **Museum Folder** is flipped, the <u>Solu-</u> tions will appear mirrored.



At the end of the 6th round the **Collectors** and the **Gallerist** will have produced many **Drawings** and will need to choose some of them to be displayed in their **Museum Folder**. All **Collectors** slot into their **Museum Folders** a number of **Masterpieces** equal to or less than the **Auction Level** and of the **EXAMPLE** that I chose to use.

You will need to guess whether each of the Drawings stored in all other players' **Museum Folders** are Fake or Original. When everyone is ready and has made a guess for all of the Drawings in the other players' **Museum Folders**, reveal the Solutions of the Drawings and count how many Mistakes each player made.

The winner is the player who is declared to have Guessed The Rule. A player is determined to have Guessed the Rule if they had made equal to or less Mistakes than the Scam Level A indicated in the EX-AMPLE that I chose to use, which is the difficulty level set for the rule. If more than one player guessed, then the player with the fewest Mistakes wins. If there is still a tie, then the player that made the fewest Masterpieces win (this includes the ones outside their Museum Folder). If there is still a tie, the players share victory.

EXHIBITION

Start the EXHIBITION phase. Every round The Gallerist can only make one Drawing, while the Collectors can make as many Drawings as they want until the Gallerist says STOP. The Gallerist will need to mark the Solution of their Drawing as well. At the end of each round the Gallerist can reveal the Solution of any Drawing they made in this round or in previous rounds. Collectors are allowed to finish the Drawing they were working on when the Gallerist says STOP.

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- Moderate 3 rounds of the **EXHIBITION** phase.
- At the end of the 3 rounds, read the following to your players:

Don't worry if you're feeling a little stumped about the secret rule. Remember that winning the game hinges on correctly guessing whether your opponents' **Drawings** are **Fakes** or **Originals**. While the **Solutions** of the **Drawings** are secret, the **Drawings** themselves are public. Have a look at what your opponents have done so far and take some inspiration from them if you want.

Some of you may think you have a very clear idea about the secret rule. Remember that your objective is not only to **Guess the rule**, but also to make fewer Mistakes than your opponents. Don't waste your **Drawing** rounds repeating the same pattern: try to find innovative ways to trick your opponents into Mistakenly identifying an Original as a Fake or vice versa. If the rule is about circles, try drawing a circle very quickly, perhaps so it's not actually a closed circle or not perfectly round? How will the **Gallerist** authenticate it? Try to find creative ways to scam your friends, try to find contradictions in my rule... If I will have a hard time in classifying your **Drawing**, that could be the ticket to tricking your competitors.

Some TIPS IF YOUR PLAYERS ARE NOT CON-VERGING ON THE SECRET RULE:

- Try giving out drawn hints that are more obvious: Use some of the drawings listed in the HINTS: for the Collectors section of the EXAMPLE (pp. 28-39) of your current Artistic Manifesto. In this section they are grouped as pairs: this is a very helpful technique to trigger associations! In this section they are ranked by difficulty: adjust it accordingly.
- Try giving out verbal hints: Read some of the sentences written under the HINTS: for the Collectors section of the EXAMPLE of your current Artistic Manifesto. They are ranked by difficulty: adjust it accordingly.
- Don't say STOP too quickly: Give them time to make something interesting. Not all people have the same skills in drawing. Some people like to be very precise and they don't like time pressure.
- Pause the game if needed. After the start of every EXHI-BITION round do not rush the drawing activity: ask them to draw when everyone is ready to draw. Give them time to think of a new strategy

Moderate the last 3 EXHIBITION rounds.

Gameplay phases of Basic Variant

SCAM-OR-AUCTION

Setup for the Art Critic's Guess. Be sure that all Transparent Guessing Sheets are correctly clipped on the left page of the players' Collector Board. The zig-zag mark and the grid printed on the Transparent Guessing Sheet should be aligned with the illustration printed on the left page of the Collector Board.

Now it's time for the Art Critic Gross phase. You will need to guess which of your friends' Drawings are Fakes and which are Originals. Remember: being declared the winner is all about making equal to or less Mistakes than the difficulty level of the Artistic Manifesto. When you choose which Drawings to display in your **museum folder**, pick the ones that you think I had the hardest time judging. If it was difficult for me, and I know the rule, it will be even more difficult for your opponents to guess. When you slot the Drawings, it doesn't matter where you place them, but try to group them all together so that it will be easier for your friends to mark the correct corresponding space on their guessing sheet.

All Collectors slot into their Museum Folders a number of Masterpieces equal to or less than the Auction Level a of the Basic Example the Gallerist chose to use.

Now you need to guess each of the other players' **Drawings**. Only use the top grid of your opponents' colors: those are the ones with the icon of an Ard Gride printed over them. Look for the corresponding color in your **Collector Board** and write on the Transparent Sheet in the corresponding cell. Write an X if you think it is a Fake or an O if you think it is an Original. You will notice that there are 2 grids per color: the bottom one with the symbol of the **Impeder** printed over it is used in a more advanced variant of the game and you can ignore it for now. In the top right corner you will see a pair of smaller grids: these correspond to my Museum. These are only used in a more advanced variant of the game, when the **Gallerist** will also need to fill their museum.

- Instruct the players to choose an orientation of their Museum Folder. Once they choose it, they should not move it or they will confuse the other players.
- All Collectors provide their guesses.

Now we will reveal the **Solutions**. As you can see they will be mirrored: a **Drawing** that was on the left will have its **Solution** on the right and vice versa. This is the reason why the **Guessing Sheet** is transparent. Flip your **Guessing Sheet** like a page from the left side of the **Collector Board** to the right side. Do not slide the **Guessing Sheet**: flip it, otherwise your guesses won't be mirrored and will mess up with your score. After you flip it, clip it in place to keep it from moving.

- Help players set up their Collector Board in the correct way by flipping the Transparent Guessing Sheet to the right page.
- Count the total number of Masterpieces in all of the Museum Folders. Write this number somewhere on the Gallerist Sheet. It will be useful later during the AFTER-MATH.
- Flip each Museum Folder.
- Each Collector marks their Mistakes.
- Write the number of Mistakes each Collector made in the corresponding place on the Gallerist Sheet. You will need this information during the AFTERMATH.

Some TIPS About the Art Critic's Quess

- Do not let players guess an opponent's drawing if it is upside down! This is a very common mistake when people are seated across from one another at the table. If possible, it's recommended to have each player leave their Museum Folder in front of their seat, and have everyone go around from seat to seat to mark their guesses from the correct perspective. If this is not possible, invite each of them to pass their Museum Folders to the player on their left (without rotating them!) until each player makes all of their guesses.
- Make sure everyone is making their guesses in the correct spaces. Placement errors are especially common if players didn't store their drawing in Museum Folders the same way as others did or if they tried to guess a Museum Folder from the wrong perspective.

SCORING

- Declare who Guessed The Rule comparing the number of Mistakes the Collectors made with the Scam Level A of the Example the Gallerist chose. If they made equal to or fewer Mistakes than the Scam Level A, they will have Guessed the Rule.
- If only one Collector was determined to have Guessed the Rule, they win!
- If multiple Collectors are determined to have Guessed the Rule, then the one who made the fewest Mistakes wins.
- If multiple Collectors Guessed The Rule and made the same number of Mistakes, the winner is the one with the fewest Masterpieces created during the game (a Masterpiece is each Drawing made by that player that has a Solution, regardless if it was placed in a Museum Folder). If they are tied, they share the victory.



(Optional but Recommended)

After the **SCORING** phase you can hold a discussion afterwards to talk about what the players thought the **Artistic Manifesto** was. Do not reveal what your **Artistic Manifesto** is yet. It's possible that someone could have been determined to have **Guessed the Rule**, but are actually wrong about what the rule was and vice versa.

A fun way to lead the discussion is by having all the players lay out all of the **Masterpieces** together with Originals on one side and Fakes on the other. You might have them consider these questions:

- What is the secret rule? Or if they're not exactly sure, what was their thought process?
- Which Drawing did you think gave you the most insight and why?
- What was the most confusing Drawing and why?

Another exercise you can lead them through is to have the players that wish to create their own secret rule that the displayed **Masterpieces** would conform to. The other players could then challenge that secret rule by pointing out **Masterpieces** that might contradict it.

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Now reveal the **Artistic Manifesto** to all players, and discuss together the displayed **Drawings**.

After you have played the **BASIC VARIANT** at least once, but possible more than once, you can move onto the **INTERMEDIATE VARIANT**.



INTERMEDIATE VARIANT

Goal OF The Game

Like the **BASIC VARIANT** of the game, the **Gallerist**'s objective is to create a secret rule that is neither too easy nor too hard to figure out, while the **Collectors**' objective is to figure out the secret rule. What's new in the **INTER-MEDIATE VARIANT** is that the **Gallerist** will be competing against the **Collectors**, who will also be competing against each other. Each Mistake the **Collectors** make this time will cost them one point, which is measured in **Millions**. Every time a **Collector** does not **Guess The Rule**, the **Gallerist** will earn points, aka **Millions**. But, if at the end of the game it's determined that none of the **Collectors** have **Guessed the Rule**, then the **Gallerist** will not be able to score enough points to overcome the **Collectors** and win the game. The player with the most **Millions** at the end of the game wins!

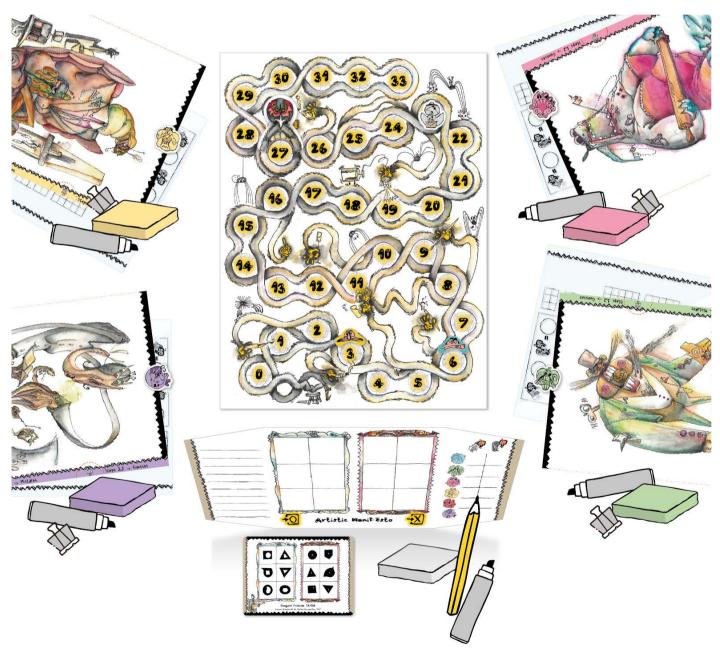
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During the Art Critic's Guess, **Collectors** do not need to guess the Solution for every Drawing. The skipped guess will not be counted as a Mistake.

The **Gallerist** can also remove **Drawings** that are difficult to classify from the game with a third type of **Solution**: the "?" for **Ambiguous**. They are still **Masterpieces** and, therefore, they still count for breaking ties at the end of the game like in the **BAJIC VARIANT**.

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All rules that were not in **BASIC VARIANT** are highlighted .



SETUP

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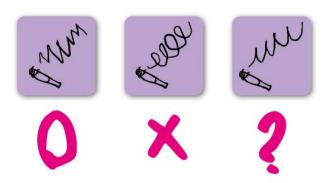
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- The Gallerist will take the Gallerist Screen, a Pencil, a Marker, the Gallerist Token and the Block of White Paper
- Assemble each Transparent Guessing Sheet to the left page of the Collector Board using the provided Clips.
- Each Collector will need a Collector Board, the matching Colored Block of Paper, a Marker, their Collector Token and a Museum Folder.
- Place the Forger Board at the center of the table. Place the Forger Token on 27.

MANIFESTO

- The Gallerist invents a secret rule by writing a Written Hint and example Drawings behind the Gallerist Screen. This is called the Artistic Manifesto. In the Artistic Manifesto the 6 Drawings on the left conform to the secret rule, but the 6 Drawings on the right do not respect the rule. The Written Hint is useful to explain what the Drawings are not able to explain.
- Set Auction Level and Scam Levels for this game. You will use the Scam Tokens and the Auction Token to track those Levels on the Forger Board. If you've created your own secret rule check out the Stiting Your Own Difficulty section (page 25) in order to set those Levels. If you use an Artistic Manifesto provided in the EXAMPLES section use the recommended settings for your player count.
- The **Gallerist** creates an example **Drawing** that would follow the secret rule. Mark the back with an "0" for **Original**. They show the **Collectors** this example. This is the **First Masterpiece**.

EXHIBITION

- The Gallerist will moderate 6 rounds where the Collectors will produce Drawings until the Galerist yells "STOP". The Gallerist can only produce one Drawing per round. Players must make at least one mark on the page for it to count as a Drawing. A blank page will not count as conforming to the secret rule. The Gallerist will need to mark the Solution of their Drawing as well. They cannot mark their own drawings with a "?" (more on it later).
- Each round they will then submit these Drawings to the Gallerist.
- The Gallerist will mark the back of the submitted Drawings with their Solution. Drawings that follow the rule will be marked with an "0" for an Original. If the Drawing doesn't follow the secret rule, it will be marked with an "X" for a Fake If a Drawing is Ambiguous and the Gallerist isn't sure if it follows the rule, the Gallerist can mark this Drawing with a "?", Drawings marked with their Solutions are now called Masterpieces.

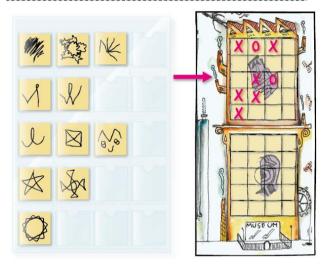


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- The Solutions are kept secret from everyone but the player who drew them until is instructed otherwise. The Drawings are public, but Drawings marked as Ambiguous are kept secret by their authors.
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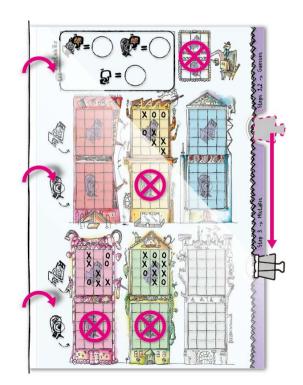


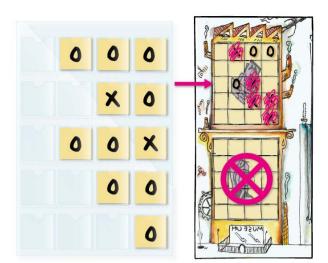
SCAM-OR-AUCTION

- After the 6th EXHIBITION Round, the Collectors decide which Masterpieces to put into their Museum Folders to display (not the Ambiguous ones)). All Collectors slot into their Museum Folders a number of Masterpieces equal to or less than the Auction Level A.
- Art. Critic's Guess phase: Collectors now guess the Solutions of the other players' displayed Masterpieces using the top grid of the players' colors on their Transparent Guessing Sheets. They will write 0 for Original or an X for Fake. In the INTERMEDIATE VARIANT of the game, players can now opt not to guess about a Masterpiece, and leave that corresponding square Blank.



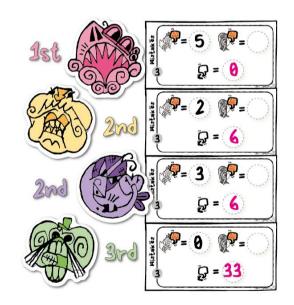
Once everyone has guessed, flip each Museum Folder to reveal the Solutions. Then each collector flips their Transparent Guessing Sheet to the right page and marks how many Mistakes they made. They also mark down the total number of Blank spaces they left.





SCORING

Place the **Collector Tokens** on the **Forger Board** in the following manner. The **Collector** that left the fewest **Blank** spaces during **Ard Criticals Constant** space is placed on the same space as the **Forger Token**. The **Collector** with the second fewest **Blank** spaces is placed on the space below, and so on. If **Collectors** are tied in how many spaces they left **Blank**, they will share the same space on the **Forger Board**.





Place the Gallerist Token a number of spaces below

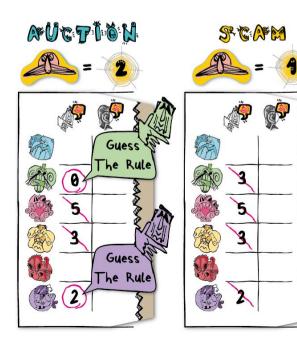
the Forger Token equal to the number of Collectors.

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- Declare if any of the Collectors Guessed the Rule, which is determined by if they made equal or fewer Mistakes than the Scam Level ^A.
- For every Mistake each Collector made, move their Collector Token down one space. These spaces are called Millions, so Collectors lose one Million per Mistake they made.
- Determine if the game has ended in a SCAN or an AUG-TWN. If none of the Collectors Guessed the Rule, the game ends in a SCAN. If at least one Collector Guessed the Rule, the game ends in an AUGTON.



If the game ends in a **SCAN**, the **Gallerist** loses one **Million** per **Mistakes** made by the **Collector** who made the least **Mistakes**. The **Gallerist** will not be able to score enough points to overcome that **Collector** and win the game.



If the game ends in an AUCTUN, the Gallerist gains one **Million** per Collector who did not Guess The Rule.



- For both the **SCAN** or AUSTIC scoring, the **Gallerist** can have a negative score, while the **Collector Tokens** cannot fall below zero. If the **Gallerist** would fall below zero, flip the token to indicate it's negative value and place it on the corresponding space.
- The player with the most Millions wins.
- If the Gallerist and a Collector would tie, the Collector wins.
- If more than one Collector would win, the winner is the one who made the fewest Masterpieces. Remember: Masterpieces are the Drawings created that have a Solution written on the back of them, including those marked with "?".
- If they are still tied, they share victory.



Read aloud the paragraphs highlighted in gray. Execute the other actions

SETUP

- If you are reading this you should be the **Gallerist**. All other players will be **Collectors**.
- The Gallerist will take the Gallerist Board, a Pencil, a Marker, and the block of white paper
- Assemble each **Transparent Guessing Sheet** to the left page of the **Collector Board** using provided **Clips**.
- Each Collector will need a Collector Board, the matching Colored Block of Paper, a marker, a Transparent Guessing Sheet, a Museum Folder and a Collector Token.
- Place the Forger Board at the center of the table. Place the Forger Token at space 27.

Manifesto

- Chooses an EXAMPLE from the INTERMEDIATE EXAM-PLES section (pp. 31-33). Copy down the Written Hint as well as Drawings behind the Gallerist Screen. This is called the Artistic Manifesto. In the Artistic Manifesto the 6 Drawings on the left conform to the secret rule, but the 6 Drawings on the right do not respect the rule. The Written Hint is useful to explain what the Drawings are not able to explain.
- Create a Drawing that conforms to the secret rule and mark it with an "0" on the back to show that it is an Original and not a Fake. A Drawing marked as either an Original, Fake or Ambiguous is now called a Masterpiece. You may copy one provided in the chosen EXAMPLE.
- Place the Forger Board at the center of the table. Place the Forger Token on 27, Place the Scam Token and the Auction Token as indicated by the Scam Level And Auction Level of the chosen EXAMPLE.

Today we will play **The Strange Forgeries Of Mr. S. C. Rheber** (pron. like the german surname Schreber) with intermediate rules. All the rules from the basic version are the same except for these rules:

Unlike in the basic game, there is now a point system to determine a winner, and I will be competing against you as well. The points are called **Millions**, and the person with the most **Millions** at the end of the game is the winner. The **Collectors** will all still learn if they were determined to have **Guessed the Rule**, and while that won't impact your score per se, it could affect the outcome of the game, which I will explain later.

In the intermediate rules I as the **Gallerist** will be able to mark your **Drawings** in three ways, either with an "X" to indicate a Fake, an "0" to indicate an **Original**, and now I can also mark them with a "?" to indicate an **Ambiguous Drawing**. This means I was not able to classify the **Drawing** as either a Fake or an **Original**. Only the author of the **Ambiguous Drawing** will be able to see the **Drawing** again. The **Gallerist** cannot mark the **Drawings** they make with a "?".

When we reach the **SCORING** phase where you will be guessing if the other players' **Masterpieces** are **Fakes** or **Originals**, you will now also be able to leave a space **Blank**. A **Blank** space will not be counted as a **Mistake**. You may be tempted to leave every space **Blank**, but this will hurt you.

After everyone has guessed, the player with the fewest number of **Blank** spaces places their token on the space where the **Forger Token** is. The player with the second fewest **Blank** spaces places their token one space below the **Forger Token**, and so on until all the **Collectors** have placed their tokens. If the players are tied with the same number of **Blank** spaces for guesses, the tokens are placed in the same space.

For each Mistake a Collector makes, their token will be moved down one Million. Collector tokens cannot fall below the zero Millions space.

The game now has two possible endings: AUCTON or SCAM. These endings determine how the **Gallerist** scores.

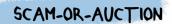
If none of the **Collectors Guessed the Rule**, the game ends in a **SCAN**. If it ends in a **SCAN**, the **Gallerist** will lose 1 **Million** per Mistake made by the **Collector** who made the least number of Mistakes. The **Gallerist** can fall below the zero **Millions** space. If the game ends in a **SCAN**, then the **Gallerist** will not be able to score enough points to overcome the **Collectors** and win the game.

If the game ends in an AUGTON, the Gallerist's token will be moved up by 1 Million per Collector that did not Guess the Rule. Determining if a Collector has Guessed the Rule works exactly like it does in the BASIC VARIANT. If your Mistakes are equal or less than the Scam Level 45 then you guessed it.

Whoever has the most **Millions** at the end of the game wins!

EXHIBITION

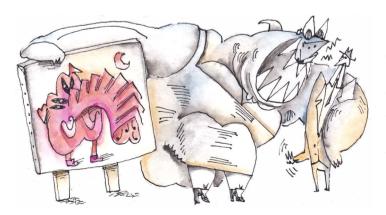
- Start the EXHIBITION phase. Every round the Gallerist can only make one Drawing, while the Collectors can make as many Drawings as they want until you say STOP. The Gallerist will need to mark the Solution of their Drawing as well. They cannot mark their own Drawings with a "?". Collectors are allowed to finish the Drawing they were working on when the Gallerist says STOP.
- The **Gallerist** can now mark **Drawings** with "?". Keep those **Ambiguous Drawings** face down: their **Solution** is public, but only their authors can see the **Drawings**.
- Moderate 6 rounds of the **EXHBITION** phase.



- Setup for the Art Critic's Guess phase. Be sure that all **Transparent Guessing Sheets** are correctly clipped on the left page of the players' **Collector Board**. The zig-zag mark and the grid printed on the **Transparent Guessing Sheet** should be aligned with the illustration printed on the left page of the **Collector Board**.
- All Collectors slot into their Museum Folders a number of Masterpieces equal to or less than the Auction Level A of the EXAMPLE the Gallerist chose to use.
- Instruct the players to choose an orientation of their Museum Folder. Once they choose it, they should not move it or it will confuse the other players.

It's time to lock in your guesses! Remember that providing guesses is not mandatory! You can skip as many guesses as you want. If you haven't figured out the rule, you can still win, but keep your guesses secret or you will give your opponents a huge advantage if they discover that you are going to skip a large amount of guesses. Also remember to only use the topmost grid of each player color to record your guesses. This is the Art Critic's Coss. Now it is time to study your opponents' Drawings (not only the ones in their museums). Do you think they figured out the rule? How many guesses are they willing to skip? After everyone has locked in their guesses, we will flip over the **Museum Folders** and reveal the Solutions.

- All **Collectors** lock in their guesses. Remember: they can skip guesses
- Flip each **Transparent Guessing Sheet** to the right page.
- Flip each Museum Folder.
- Each Collector marks their Mistakes.
- Each Collector counts their Mistakes. They can write the total in the corresponding place on their Transparent Guessing Sheet. You can write these numbers in the corresponding place of the Gallerist Board.
- Each Collector counts how many guesses were Blank. They can write the total in the corresponding place in their Transparent Guessing Sheet.



Remind yourself the good practices used to moderate the Art Grille's Guess in the BASIC VARIANT. These tips are discussed on page 8. They are still valid to moderate Art Grille's Guess of the INTERMEDIATE VARIANT:

- Do not let players guess opponents' drawings if upside is down and
- Make sure the players are placing their guesses in the correct spaces. Remember, only use the top grid of each player color when guessing.

Additionally takes care of the following aspects:

- Placing guesses in intermediate games is a bit more difficult: leaving Blank spaces in the grid can be confusing for someone!
- Players shall keep their guesses secret! Sometimes they will explode in frustration because they couldn't figure out the rule. The number of Blank guesses is their most precious intel and being vocal about it might put them at a disadvantage!

SCORING

- Rank Collectors from the one with the least Blank guesses to the one with the most. Tied Collectors get the same rank.
- Place Collector Tokens in the Forger Board starting from the Forger Token following the ranking order, meaning the one with the least amount of Blanks will place their Token on the same space as the Forger Token, the one with the second least Blanks will be on the space one below the Forger Token and so on.
- Place the Gallerist Token a number of spaces below the Forger Token (27) equal to the number of Collectors. (in 2 Collectors is 25, in 3 is 24, etc...)
- Declare who Guessed The Rule comparing the number of Mistakes the Collectors made with the Scam Level of the EXAMPLE the Gallerist chose. If they made equal to or fewer Mistakes than the Scam Level A, they will have Guessed the Rule.
- Collectors lose one Million per Mistake. Their scores cannot fall below 0.
- Determine if the game has ended in a SCAM or an AUC-TION. If none of the Collectors Guessed the Rule, the game ends in a SCAM. If at least one Collector Guessed the Rule, the game ends in an AUCTION.
- If the game ends in a SCAM, the Gallerist loses 1 Million per Mistakes made by the Collector who made the least Mistakes. The Gallerist can fall below 0. To indicate a negative score, flip the Gallerist's token over and place it on the corresponding number. The Gallerist will not be able to score enough points to overcome that Collector and win the game.
- If the game ends in an AUCTION, the Gallerist gains 1 Million per Collector who did not Guess The Rule.
- The player with the most Millions wins.
- If the Gallerist and a Collector would tie, then the Collector wins.
- If more than one Collector would win, the winner is the one with the fewest Masterpieces. Remember: Masterpieces are the Drawings created that have a Solution written on the back of them, including those marked with "?".

ADVANCED VARIANT

Goal of the Game

Like in **INTERMEDIATE VARIANT** the **Collectors**' objective is to figure out the secret rule, but this time the **Gallerist**'s objective is different: they need to create a secret rule that is difficult to figure out, but also one that doesn't create contradictions. Unlike the **INTERMEDIATE VARIANT** of the game, where if none of the **Collectors** were determined to have **Guessed the Rule** then the **Gallerist** would lose, in the **ADVANCED VARIANT** the **Gallerist** can win even if none of the **Collectors** have **Guessed the Rule**. In order to prevent the **Gallerist** from simply making a secret rule that is impossible to figure out, there is a new balancing mechanic.

Other Differences

In SCAM-OR-AUCTION the Collectors will have two chances of Guessing The Rule, because there will now be two rounds of guessing. The first guessing phase works exactly as in the INTERMEDIATE VARIANT, (is still called Art Critic's Guess). After the Art Critic's Guess phase is finished, the Gallerist will reveal their Artistic Manifesto (the secret rule) and the Collectors will make a second round of guesses, which is called the Inspector's Guess. The Solutions to the Masterpieces will then be revealed after the second round of guesses were submitted. If one of the Collectors has Guessed the Rule during their second attempt, then the Gallerist will have a fair chance of winning. This will be explained in more detail shortly.

Another change is that during the **EXHBITION** phase, when the **Collectors** are creating their **Drawings**, the **Gallerist** will have the option to edit their **Artistic Manifesto**. The rules around this will be explained a little later.

Lastly, the **Gallerist** will have its own **Museum Folder** to display all of their **Masterpieces** that were not shown as hints as additional puzzles for the **Collectors** to solve.

Rulës

All rules that were not in INTERMEDIATE VARIANT are {highlighted }



- One player is the Gallerist, 2-6 other players are Collectors
- The Gallerist will take the Gallerist Screen, a Pencil, a Museum Folder, a Marker, the Block of White Paper and the Gallerist Token.
- Assemble each **Transparent Guessing Sheet** to the left page of the **Collector Board** using the provided **Clips**.
- Each Collector will need a Collector Board, the matching Colored Block of Paper, a Marker and a Museum Folder.

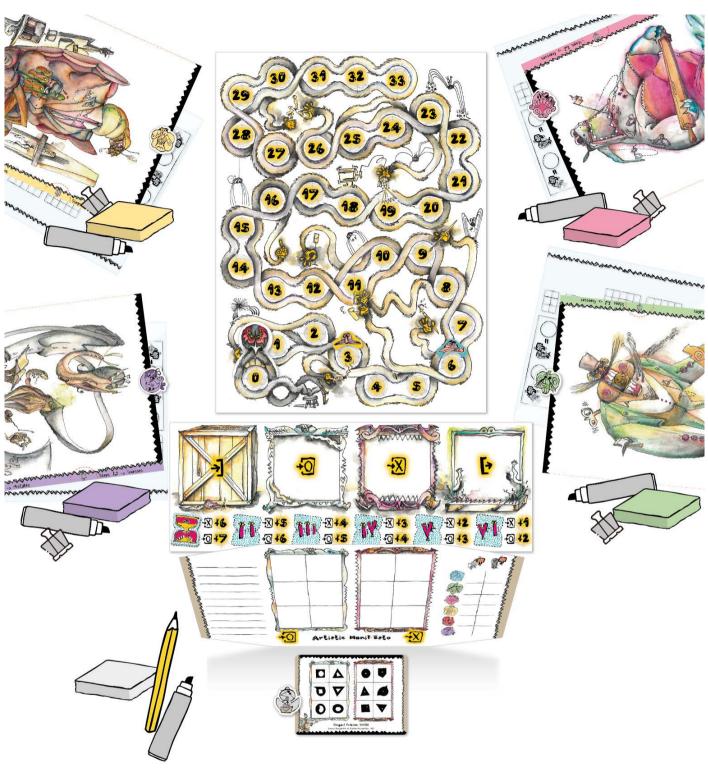
- Place the **Turn Tracker Board** at the center of the table with the **Turn Tracker Token** in the leftmost space.
- Place the **Forger Board** at the center of the table. Place the **Forger Token** on 0.

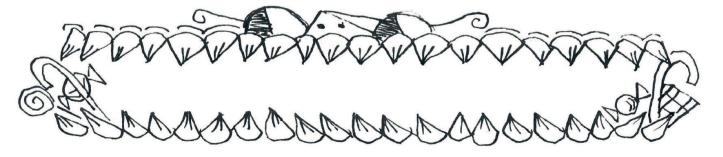
MANIFESTO

- The Gallerist invents a secret rule by writing a Written Hint and example Drawings behind the Gallerist Screen. This is called the Artistic Manifesto. In the Artistic Manifesto the 6 Drawings on the left conform to the secret rule, but the 6 Drawings on the right do not respect the rule. The Written Hint is useful to explain what the Drawings are not able to explain.
- Set the starting Auction Level and Scam Levels for this game. They may change during the games you will use the Scam Tokens and the Auction Token to track those Levels on the Forger Board. If you've created your own secret rule check out the **Stiting Your Own Difficulty** section in order to set those Levels. If you use an Artistic Manifesto provided in the **EXAMPLES** section use the recommended settings for your player count.
- The Gallerist creates an example Drawing that would follow the secret rule. Mark the back with an "0" for Original. They show the Collectors this example. This is the First Masterpiece.



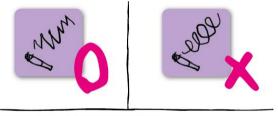
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EXHIBITION

- The Gallerist will moderate 6 rounds where the Collectors will produce Drawings until the Gallerist yells STOP. The Gallerist can produce one Drawing per round. Players must make at least one mark on the page for it to count as a Drawing. A blank page will not count as conforming to the secret rule. The Gallerist will need to mark the Solution of their Drawing as well. They cannot mark their own Drawings with a "?".
- Each round they will then submit these Drawings to the Gallerist.
- The Gallerist will mark the back of the submitted Drawings with their Solution. Drawings that follow the rule will be marked with an "0" for an Original. If the Drawing doesn't follow the secret rule, it will be marked with an "X" for a Fake. If a Drawing is Ambiguous (the Gallerist isn't sure if it follows the rule), the Gallerist can mark this Drawing with a "?" as long as the Auction Token is not already at 20. They will then secretly show that Drawing back to the Collector who created it and then place that Drawing face down in the far-right space on the Turn Tracker Board indicated by the P. Drawings marked with their Solutions are now called Masterpieces.
- If the **Gallerist** marks a drawing with an "?" they must {move the **Auction Token** up by one space.}



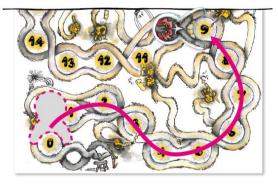


- The Gallerist then returns the Masterpieces to their respective Collectors. The Solutions are kept secret from everyone but the player who drew them. All of the Masterpieces which the Gallerist marked with a "?" have been put in the [-, and they will remain there and not be returned to the players.
- The Gallerist then places the one Masterpiece they created this turn, Drawing face up, into the far left box on the Turn Tracker Board, which is indicated by the [+ symbol. As you continue through the rounds, the Gallerist could end up with a stack of several Masterpieces, and they can choose to reveal none or multiple Solutions. The Gallerist will now choose if they want to show any of the Solutions of the Masterpieces stored in the [+ space to the Collectors.

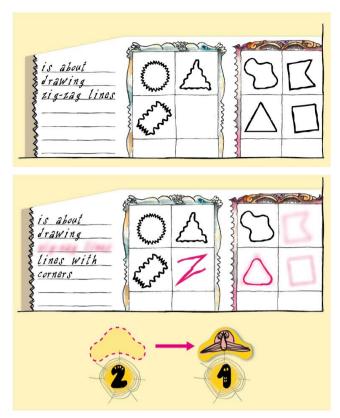


If the Gallerist chooses to reveal the Solution of some of their own Drawings, place the Masterpiece in either the "0" or the "X" box on the Turn Tracker Board depending on the Solution. You will need to move the Forger Token up on the Forger Board. In order to see how many spaces you will need to move the Forger Token, look on the Turn Tracker Token. Next to the round that you're in, you will see a value next to the X or the 0 symbols. Move the Forger Token up that many spaces. So for example, if you revealed one Fake Masterpiece and one Original Masterpiece in round 3, you would move the Forger Token up 4 spaces for the Fake and 5 spaces for the Original, for a total of 9 spaces.

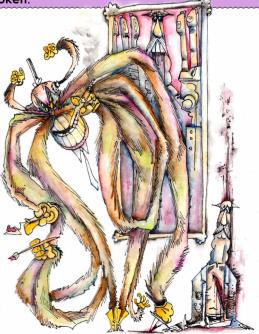




Before each of the rounds ends, the **Gallerist** can also modify their **Artistic Manifesto**. If they made a change, they need to move the **Scam Token** down one space. They can add to or erase either a part of or one complete **Drawing** that makes up their **Artistic Manifesto**. Or they can add to or erase part of their **Written Hint** on the **Artistic Manifesto**. During a single modification the **Gallerist** can do any combination of these actions as many times as they want and in any order they want, moving the **Scam Token** down one for each modification they take. But if the **Scam Token** is at 0 they cannot modify their **Artistic Manifesto** any further.



- Players can look at each others' non-Ambiguous Drawings. Players may also ask each other questions about their Masterpieces, and they can choose to ask those questions privately. A player can respond with "yes," "no," or "I can't provide the answer." Players should not describe any Masterpiece unless they are specifically asked to do so. The reasoning for this is because it's possible that what the player intended to draw is not the same as what the Gallerist interpreted. Players cannot ask about Drawings marked with a "?".
- During the **EXHBITION** rounds the **Gallerist** can give out verbal hints if they choose.
- Keep track of the current **EXHBITION** round with the **Turn** Tracker Token.



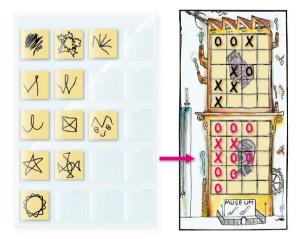


SCAM-OR-AUCTION

- After the 6th EXHIBITION round, the Collectors decide which Masterpieces to put into their Museum Folders to display (not the Ambiguous ones). All Collectors slot into their Museum Folders a number of Masterpieces equal to or less than the Auction Level A.
- The Gallerist also choses to display in their Museum Folder a max number of Masterpieces equal to the Auction Level (A). Collectors will now need to also guess the Solutions of the Gallerist's Drawings.
- During **SCAM-OR-AUCTION** there are now two different guessing phases, the Arth Critike's Guess phase followed by the **Inspector's Guess** phase.
- Art Critic's Guess phase: Collectors now guess the Solutions of the other players' displayed Masterpieces Using the top grid of the players' colors on their Transparent Guessing Sheet. They will write "0" for Original or an "X" for Fake. Players can opt not to guess about a Masterpiece, and leave that corresponding square Blank. Collectors need to also guess about the Gallerist's Masterpieces, and use the corresponding grid (top left).

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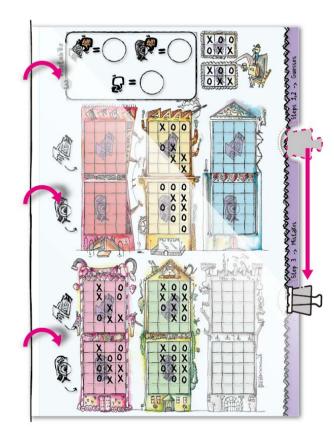
as the Art Strike, the Collector reads aloud the Written with of the Artistic Manifesto and reveals the Drawings of the Artistic Manifesto. Collectors will guess the Solutions of the other players' displayed Masterpieces using the bottom grid, which is the Drawings of or every Masterpiece, including those displayed in the Gallerist's Museum Folder.

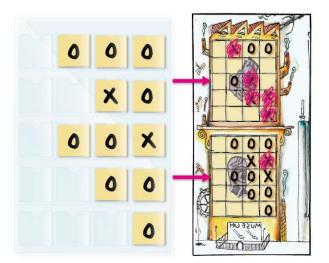


During the **hspector's Cases** players cannot communicate to each other in any way. This is to avoid that the **Collectors** agree to purposely trigger a **SCAN** (more on that shortly) and make the **Gallerist** lose. This is also to avoid that the **Gallerist** discloses more information about the secret rule other than the Written Hint and the example Drawings.

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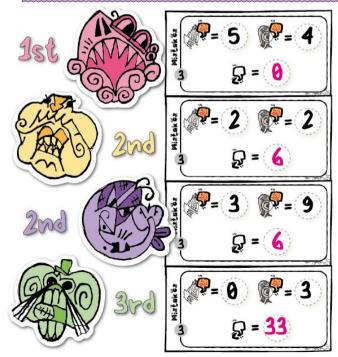
Once everyone has finished guessing as Inspector, flip each Museum Folder to reveal the Solutions. Then each Collector flips their Transparent Guessing Sheet to the right page. They need to mark the total number of Mistakes they made during the Art Critic's Cuess phase as well as the total number of Mistakes made during the Inspector 's Cuess phase]. They mark the total number of spaces left Blank during the Art Critic's Guess phase as well.



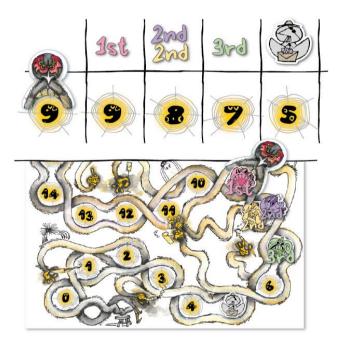




- Place the Collector Tokens on the Forger Board in the following manner. The Collector that left the fewest Blank spaces during Art Critic's Guess phase is placed on the same space as the Forger Token. The Collector with the second fewest Blank spaces in their Art Critic's Guess is placed on the space below, and so on. If Collectors are tied in how many spaces they left Blank, they will share the same space on the Forger Board.
 If a Collector would fall below zero, place it at 0 instead. (See image below. Continue in page 21)
- Place the **Gallerist Token** a number of spaces below the **Forger Token** equal to the number of **Collectors**. If the **Gallerist** would fall below zero, flip the token to indicate it's negative value and place it on the corresponding space. (See image below. Continue in page 21)



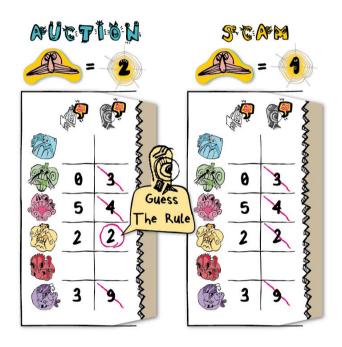








- Declare if any of the Ark Collector made fewer or equal is determined by if the Collector made fewer or equal Mistakes than the Scam Level Ark Collector and Collector Guess.
- Declare if any of the **Despectors Guess the Rule**, which is determined by if the **Collector** made fewer or equal **Histakes** than the **Scam Level** Adving **Despector** is **Class**.
- Next declare if the game ended in a SCAM or an AUC-TION. If at least one of the **Inspectors** was declared to have **Guessed the Rule**, the game ends in an AUCTION. Otherwise the game ends in a SCAM.



If it ends in a SCAM each Collectors loses 1 Million per Mistake made by their Inspector. The Gallerist loses 1 Million per Mistake made by the Inspector who made the least Mistakes. The Gallerist will not be able to score enough points to overcome that Collector and win the game.



If it is an AUCTON each Collectors loses 1 Million per Mistakes made by their Ark Critike and 2 additional Millions if their Inspector didn't Guess The Rule. The Gallerist gains 1 Million per Ark Critike who didn't Guess The Rule.



- For both the SCAM or AUCTION scoring, the Gallerist can have a negative score, while the Collectors' tokens cannot fall below zero. If the Gallerist would fall below zero, flip the token to indicate its negative value and place it on the corresponding space.
- The player with the most **Millions** wins.
- If the Gallerist and a Collector would tie, the Collector wins.
- If more than one Collector would win, the winner is the one who made the fewest Masterpieces. Remember: Masterpieces are the Drawings created that have a Solution written on the back of them, including those marked with "?".
- If they are still tied, they share victory.

Explaining The Rules

Read aloud the paragraphs highlighted in gray. Execute the other actions.

SETUP

If you are reading this you should be the **Gallerist**. All other players will be **Collectors**.

- The Gallerist will take the Gallerist Screen, a Pencil, a Museum Folder, a Marker, the Gallerist Token and the Block of White Paper
- Assemble each **Transparent Guessing Sheet** to the left page of the **Collector Board** using the provided **Clips**.
- Each Collector will need a Collector Board, the matching Colored Block of Paper, a Marker their Collector Token and a Museum Folder.

- Place the Turn Tracker Board at the center of the table with the Turn Tracker Token in the leftmost space. You will use this to keep track of the EXHIBITION rounds and keep your hints organized.
- Place the Forger Board at the center of the table. Place the Forger Token on 0.

MANIFESTO

- Choose an EXAMPLE from the **ADVANCED EXAMPLES** section. Copy down the Written Hint as well as Drawings behind the **Gallerist Screen**. This is called the **Artistic Manifesto**. In the **Artistic Manifesto** the 6 Drawings on the left conform to the secret rule, but the 6 Drawings on the right do not respect the rule. The Written Hint is useful to explain what the Drawings are not able to explain.
- Create a Drawing that conforms to the secret rule and mark it with an "0" on the back to show that it is an Original and not a Fake. A Drawing marked as either an Original, a Fake or Ambiguous is now called a Masterpiece. You may copy one provided in the chosen EXAMPLE.
- Place the Scam Token and the Auction Token on the Forger Board as indicated by the Scam Level A and Auction Level of the chosen EXAMPLE.

Today we will play **The Strange Forgeries Of Mr. S. C. Rheber** (pron. like the german surname Schreber) with advanced rules. All the rules you know from the intermediate games remain the same but with these main differences:

In the Scoring Round there will now be two different guessing phases. The first Guessing Phase is called the Art Critic's Coss phase, which follows the same rules as in the one in intermediate games. The second guessing phase is called the **Inspector's Coss** phase.

During the second guessing phase it's as if you **Collectors** are sending in your hired art **Depectors** to check the **Masterpieces**! Before submitting your **De spector** guesses, I will reveal my **Artistic Manifesto** (aka the secret rule). During this phase you cannot skip a guess and leave a space **Blank**. You will make your guesses in the bottom grid pertaining to the player colors.

After the **Inspector's Guess** phase, we will reveal the solutions to the **Masterpieces**, and you will total the number of **Mistakes** made during the **Art Gritter's Guess** phase separately from the **Mistakes** made during the Art **Inspector's Guess** phase. It is possible to be determined to have **Guessed the Rule** during the **Inspector's Guess** pase but not during the **Art Gritter's Guess** phase and vice versa. Guessing as **Inspector** is like taking on the role of the **Gallerist** for a moment: you check the **Artistic Manifesto** and you classify the **Drawings** as you think I would have done. So **Inspectors' Mistakes** are contradictions in my behavior as your **Gallerist**.

Another difference is how the **Gallerist** scores. If at least one of the **happellors** is determined to have **Guessed the Rule**, the game will end in an ANCTON. The Gallerist will score 1 Million for every Ard and that did not Guess the Rule.

If none of the **Inspectors** are determined to have **Guessed the Rule**, the game ends in a **SCAN**. The Gallerist will lose one **Million** per Mistake made by the **Inspector** with the least Mistakes.

The scoring for the **Collectors** is also different. If the game ends in an AUCTON, **Collectors** will lose 1 **Million** per Mistake made as an Art Criffe, plus an additional 2 **Million** if their Inspector did not **Guess the Rule**. However if the game ends in a SCAN, **Collectors** lose 1 Million per Mistake made during the Inspector phase.

Another difference is now the **Gallerist** has their own museum. I will display my **Masterpieces** there, and you will need to make guesses about those as well in both the Art Critic's Cross and Inspector's Cross phases. You will write your guesses in the two small grids located in the upper right part of the **Transpar**ent Guessing Sheet. Beware, these Drawings could be clever riddles that I am leaving for you to solve!

You may have noticed that I have set the **Forger Token** to 0 instead of 27. **Collectors** cannot score less than 0 but I as the **Gallerist** can have a negative score.

The **Gallerist** now has an option to avoid this and raise the **Forger Token** when they give hints during the **EXHIBITION** phase. The earlier during the **EXHIBITION** I give a hint, the farther up the **Forger Token** will move, up to a maximum of 27.

Another action the **Gallerist** can take now is to make changes to their **Artistic Manifesto**. They might do this if they realized they have made a mistake. If I make a change to my **Artistic Manifesto**, I must move the **Scam Token** down by one space. If I decide to mark a drawing with a "?" I will have to move the **Auction Token** up by one space. I can only take this action if the **Auction Token** is not already at 20.

The more the **Gallerist** moves the **Scam Token** down or the **Auction Token** up, the more likely the game will end in a **SCAM**. So I will need to be careful!

EXHIBITION

- Start the EXHIBITION phase. Every round The Gallerist can only make one Drawing, while the Collectors can make as many Drawings as they want until you say STOP. The Gallerist will need to mark the Solution of their Drawing as well. They cannot mark their own Drawings with a "?". Collectors are allowed to finish the Drawing they were working on when the Gallerist says STOP.
- The Gallerist can change the Artistic Manifesto by moving the Scam Token down every time they do it.
- The Gallerist can mark "?" Ambiguous drawings only if the Auction Token is not already at 20. If they do they must move the Auction Token up by one space. Keep those Ambiguous Drawings face down space of the Turn Tracker Board by the symbol [>: their Solution is public, but only their authors can see the Drawings.
- Devery time you give a hint to the **Collectors** move the

Forger Token up the appropriate amount of spaces as indicated on the Turn Tracker Board based on the position of the Turn Tracker Token.

- After each **EXHIBITION** round, move the **Turn Tracker Token** forward one space.
- Moderate 6 rounds of the EXHIBITION phase.

SCAM-OR-AUCTION

- Setup for the Art Critic's Guess and the Inspector's Guess. Be sure that all **Transparent Guessing Sheets** are correctly clipped on the left page of the players' **Collector Board**.
- All Collectors slot into their Museum Folders a number of Masterpieces equal to or less than the Auction Level (indicated by the Auction Token).
- Instruct the players to choose an orientation of their Museum Folder. Once they choose it, they should not move it or it will confuse the other players.

Is time to submit your guesses as the Ard Critic. If later on at least one Uspector is determined to have Guessed the Rule, you will lose Millions for the Mistakes that you make during this guessing round. Try to Guess the Rule though or I will gain points instead! Remember you can skip guesses in this phase. Lastly: don't forget that my museum is in the upper right grid.

All **Collectors** provide their guesses as an Art Critic (topmost grid). Remember: they can skip guesses.

Now you will guess as the **Impedar**. Remember: this time you cannot skip any guesses. But don't worry: if no **Impedars** can **Guess the Rule**, you trigger a **SCAN** and I will definitely lose the game. You cannot verbally agree with the other players to trigger a **SCAN** on purpose. At the same time you should try to do your best in guessing how I would have classified each of those **Drawings**. The **Artistic Manifesto** is...

- read aloud the Written Hint of the Artistic Manifesto and reveal the Drawings to the players.
- All **Collectors** provide their guesses as an **Inspector** (bottom grid). Remember: they cannot skip guesses.
- Flip each **Transparent Guessing Sheet** to the right page.
- Flip each Museum Folder.
- Each Collector marks their Art Critic's Mistakes and Inspector's Mistakes.
- Each Collector counts their Art Critic's Mistakes and Inspector's Mistakes separately. They can write the totals in the corresponding place in their Collector Board. You can write the totals in the corresponding place of the Gallerist Screen.
- Each Collector counts how many guesses were Blank.

They can write the total in the corresponding place in their **Collector Board**.

Remind yourself the good practices used to moderate the Art Grille's Guess in the BASIC VARIANT. These Tips are discussed on pages 4-5. They are still valid to moderate Art Grille's Guess phase and Inspector's Guess phase in ADVANCED VARIANT:

- Do not let players guess opponents' **Drawings** if upside is down and
- Make sure the players are placing their guesses in the correct spaces.
- B Players must keep their guesses secret!

But take care of the following aspect during the https://www.sec.

- Collector should not agree with the other players to purposely trigger a seam to manipulate the defeat of the Gallerist. This is against the spirit of the game: remind them that they have communication limits in this phase and impose the silence if necessary.
- The Gallerist should not explain the Artistic Manifesto to manipulate its victory. You may read aloud what you have written in your Written Hint and show the Drawings in your Artistic Manifesto, but adding any other information is against the spirit of the game: The Gallerist has communication limits too!

SCORING

- Rank Collectors from the one with the least Blank guesses to the one with the most. Tied Collectors get the same rank.
- Place Collector Tokens on the Forger Board. The Collector with the least Blank guesses is placed on the same space as the Forger Token, the Collector with the second least Blank guesses is placed on the space below and so on.
- Place the Gallerist Token a number of spaces below the Forger Token equal to the number of Collectors.
- Declare which Collector's Art Critic Guessed The Rule comparing that Art Critic's Mistakes with the Scam Level (indicated by the Scam Token). If the Art Critic's Mistakes are equal or less than the Scam Level (Art Critic's The Rule.)
- Declare which Collector's Inspector Guessed The Rule comparing that Inspector's Mistakes with the Scam Level A. If the Inspector's Mistakes are equal or less than the Scam Level A then they Guess The Rule.
- Declare if it is a SCAM or an AUCTION. If at least one of the Inspectors was declared to have Guessed the Rule, the game ends in an AUCTION. Otherwise the game ends in a SCAM.
- If it is an AUCTION the Gallerist gains 1 Million per Art Critic who didn't Guess The Rule. Each Collectors loses 1 Million per Mistakes made by their Art Critic and loses 2 additional Millions if their

Inspector didn't Guess The Rule.

- If it is a SCAM the Gallerist loses 1 Million per Mistake made by the Inspector who made the least Mistakes. Each Collectors loses 1 Million per Mistake made by their Inspector.
- **1** The player with the most **Millions** wins.
- If the Gallerist and a Collector(s) are tied, the Collector(s) win.
- If more than one Collector would win, the winner is the one with the least Masterpieces. Remember: Masterpieces are the Drawings created that have a Solution written on the back of them, including those marked with "?".
- If they are tied, they share the victory.



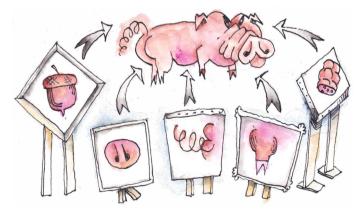
Sëtting Your Own Difficulty

Here some combination of **Auction Level** (A)/Scam Level provided for each of 5 different difficulty levels. The **Player Count** is represented by the columns and the **Difficult Levels** are represented in the rows.



VERY EASY and EASY Games

Easy and Very Easy games will make up for a lighter game with more luck and less logic. The higher the Scam Level A, the more Mistakes the Collectors can make. Remember that for the Collectors to win, they don't need to figure out exactly what's written in the Artistic Manifesto: they can Guess The Rule with a bit of gambling and intuition. For the Gallerist, since the Collectors will be allowed to make more Mistakes, they can get away with a bit more ambiguity in their secret rule. For instance, rules that contain words like "similar" or "approximately" might still work in an Easy or Very Easy games.



DIFFICULT and VERY DIFFICULT Games

For Difficult and Very Difficult games, since the Scam Level As is much lower, every Mistake the Collectors make counts. If they are unsure of the rule and gamble, odds are it will go poorly for them. Because of this, the Gallerist should avoid ambiguity in their secret rule as much as possible. Attempt to invent a rule that is easier to classify consistently, so that you can be as objective as possible when marking Drawings with Solutions. But be warned, this is sometimes harder than you might think!



MEDIUM Games

If you are unsure about what level to choose, don't overthink it: go for **Medium** difficulty and you are good to go!

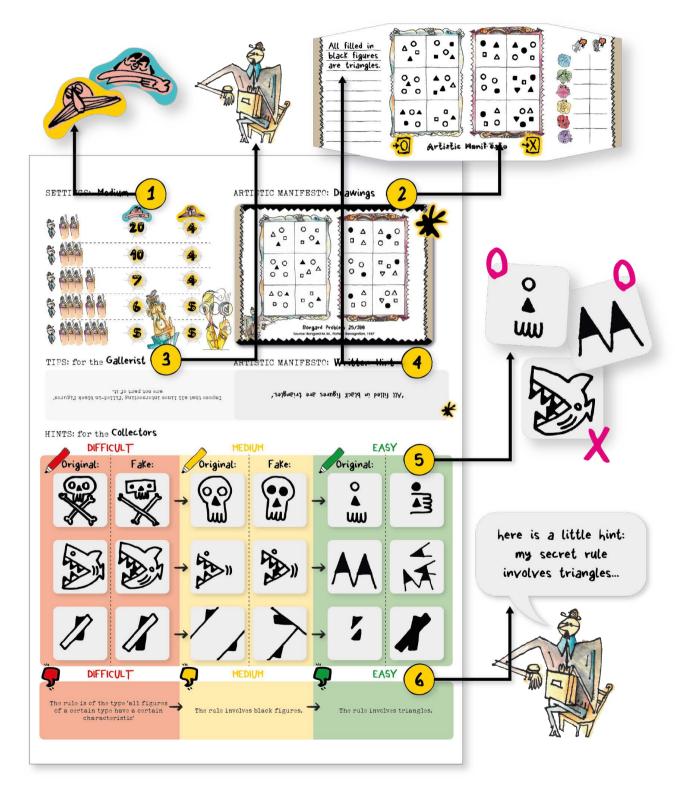




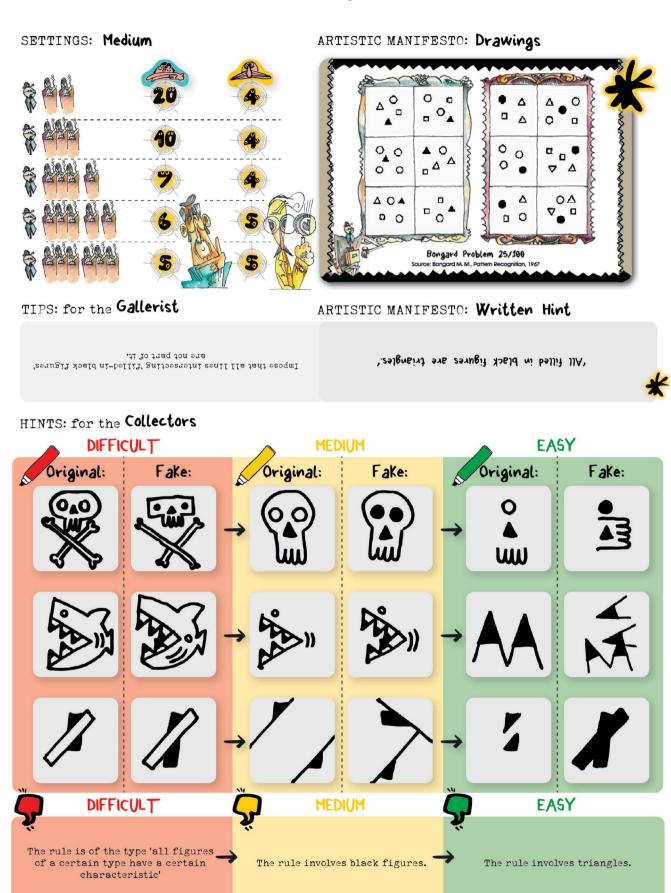
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At the beginning of the game, the **Gallerist** choses one **EX-**AMPLE accordingly to the **VARIANT** they are playing:

- During MANIFESTO: set Auction Level A and Scam Level A based on player count
- 2 During MANIFESTO: the Gallerist copy those Drawings behind the Artistic Manifesto Screen
- 3 During EXHIBITION: Useful tips for the Gallerist to classify Collectors' Drawings
- 4 During MANIFESTO: the Gallerist copy the Written Hint behind the Artistic Manifesto Screen
- 5 During EXHIBITION: the Gallerist may copy those Drawings and reveal their Solutions.
- 6 During EXHIBITION the Gallerist may use this section to give verbal hints.



EXAMPLE A Figure's Color

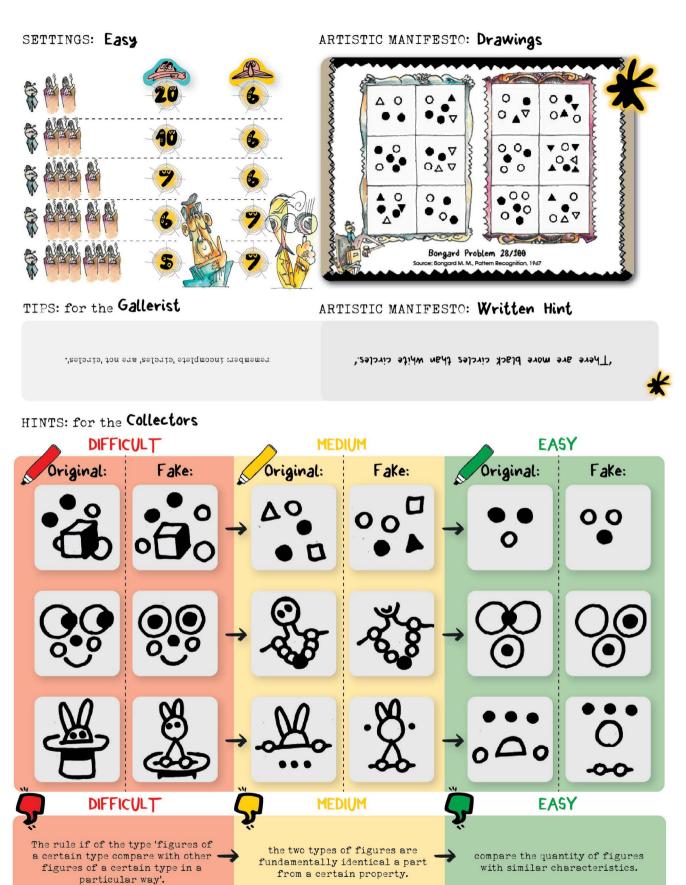


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Gameplay phases of Basic Variant

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EXAMPLE Counting Dots



Gameplay phases of Basic Variant

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Basic Examples

EXAMPLE Branches



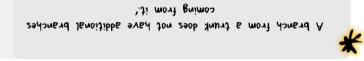
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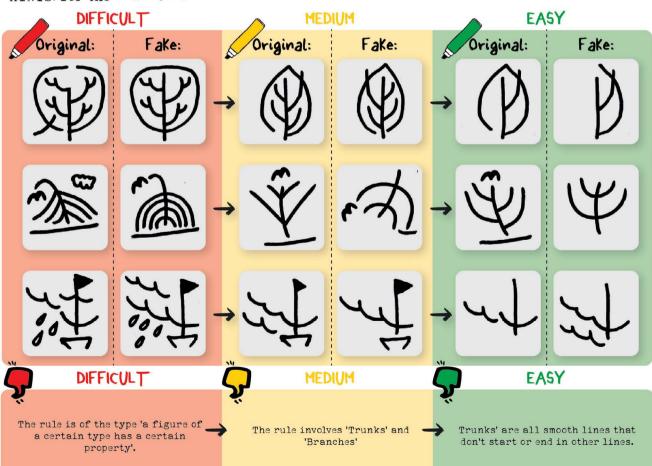
ARTISTIC MANIFESTO: Drawings



ARTISTIC MANIFESTO: Written Hint

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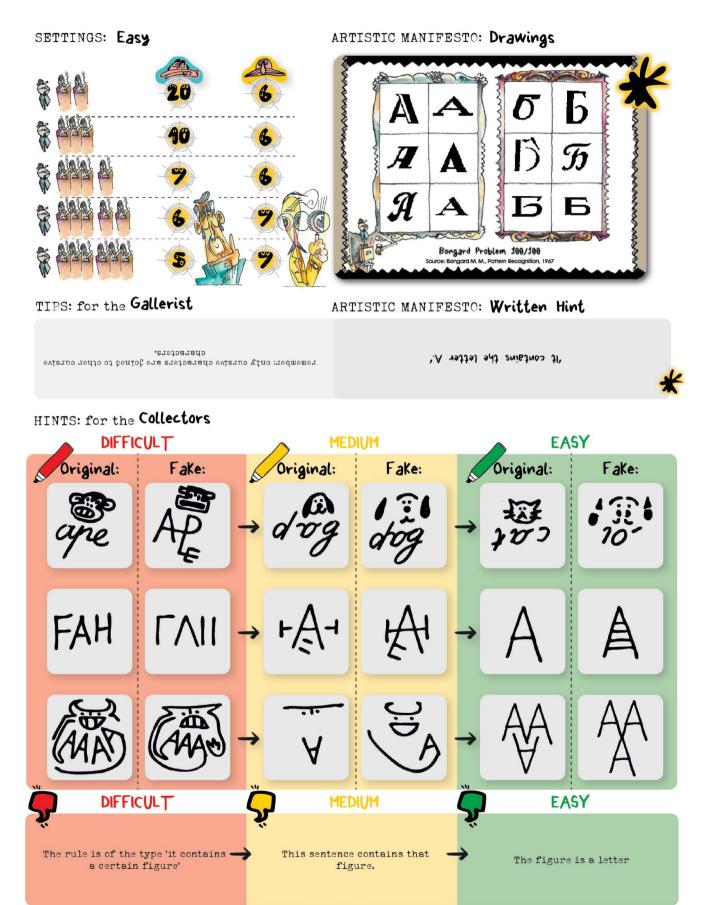
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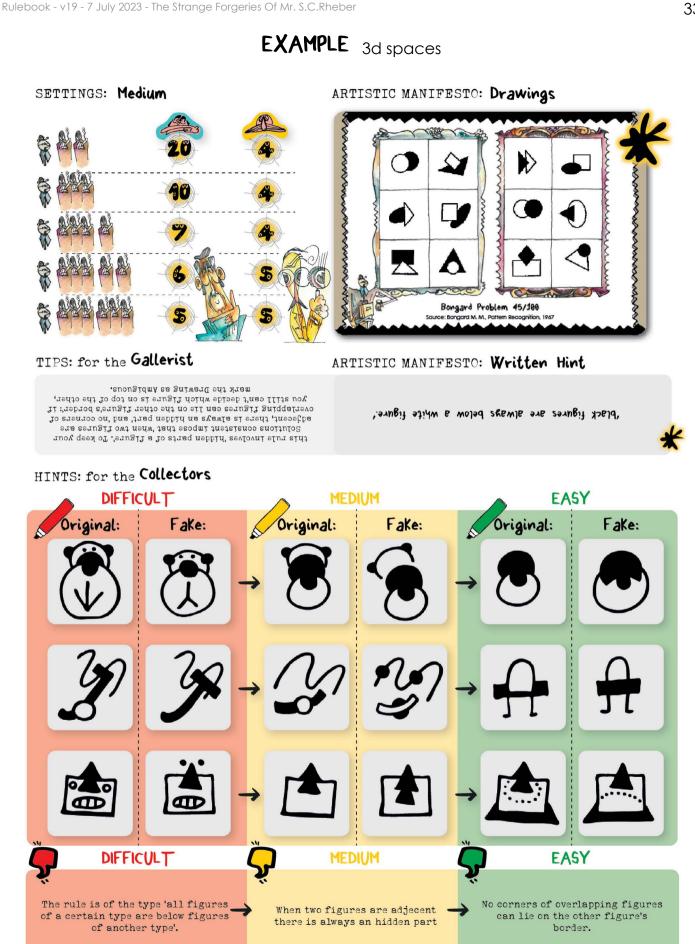
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EXAMPLE the Letter "A"





Gameplay phases of Intermediate Variant

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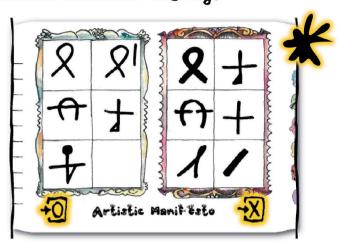
INTERMEDIATE EXAMPLES

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EXAMPLE The Legs of the Spider



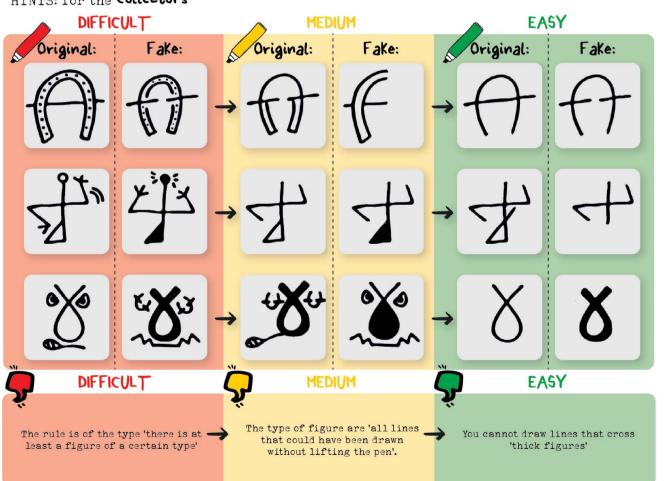
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ARTISTIC MANIFESTO: Written Hint

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HINTS: for the Collectors

TIPS: for the Gallerist

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The secret rule for this **Artistic Manifesto** is "all drawings must contain a line intersecting itself.". In the drawn examples of an **Original** artwork, the top left **Drawing** is a perfect example of the rule. But in the current state of the rule, things get complicated when the **Gallerist** considers that they do not know how the **Drawings** were done, aka the stroke of the pen.





As you can see in this example, if you start considering the strokes of the pen that could have made the **Drawing**, the gray one could be marked as **Ambiguous**. If the **Collector** drew the yellow one with those pen strokes, since each stroke doesn't intersect itself, that would be considered a **Fake**. But in the green **Drawing's** case, one of the lines does intersect each other, so it would be deemed **Original!** Since the **Gallerist** has no definitive way of knowing exactly how the **Collectors** created the **Drawing**, they may decide to amend the rule and say "if in a drawing there is at least one path that can be drawn without lifting the pen that would allow the line to touch a segment that was previously drawn, that drawing would be considered an **Original**". You can see another example of this as well.

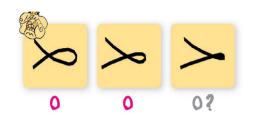


The Gallerist corrects the Drawings accordingly,

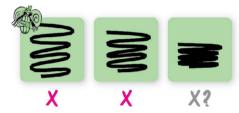


but a further complication arises if a line becomes close together so much so that the opening closes.

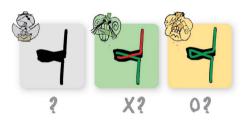
As you can see below, the **Gallerist** has deemed all of these yellow pictures **Originals**, because it seems obvious that they are a line that crosses itself. Though in this the final **Drawing**, because the lines are very close together, it can be a little ambiguous.



And in this example below, it seems obvious, even as the lines get closer and closer together that this line does not ever cross itself. Though in this the final drawing as well, because the lines are very close together, it can be a little ambiguous.



In this last example below, because the lines are so close together, it can be very hard to determine what the paths were, and if a line has crossed itself.



So the **Gallerist** may need to make a decision. They can amend their rule and say "a thick figure is always an original because it is always possible to draw a line that crosses itself inside of it" or they could declare the opposite is true, and that all thick figures cannot be crossed by lines. Below you will see what the final rule became after changing the example **Drawings**.



EXAMPLE The Cyclops

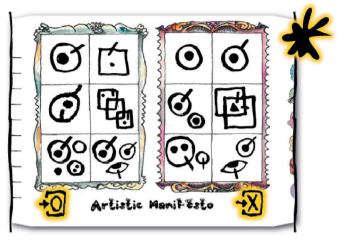
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TIPS: for the Gallerist

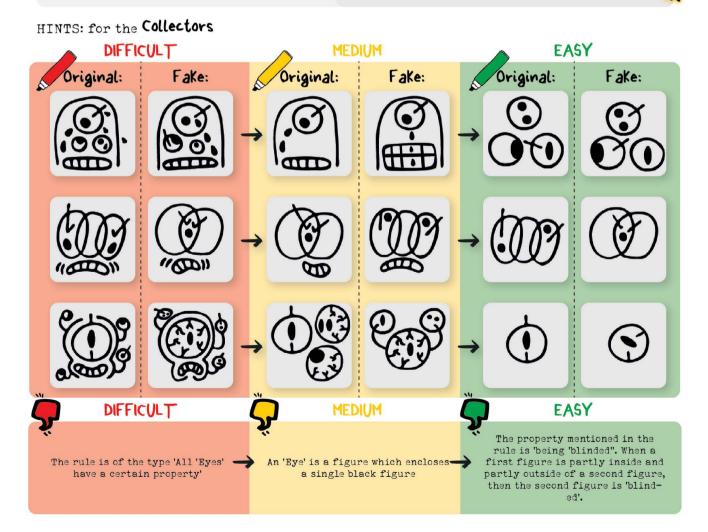
ARTISTIC MANIFESTO: Drawings



ARTISTIC MANIFESTO: Written Hint

YAL 'Eyes' must be 'blinded'. (An 'Eye' comprises a figure 'blinds' a vingle black figure. A first figure 'blinds' a second figure is the first figure).

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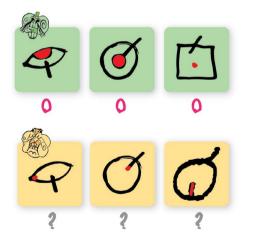
For this example, the secret rule is that "There should be no unblinded eyes.". When the **Gallerist** is marking the answers of the **Collector's** drawings, they will go through several different logical steps.



First, if there is at least one unblinded eye, then the **Draw**ing is a Fake. But what makes an eye? The **Gallerist** has determined that an "eye" is defined by a figure that is inside another figure, and that the innermost figure is the one and only black inner figure. So now how do they define blinded? An eye is blinded if another figure is partly outside, partly inside that eye (as if it was the spear piercing the Cyclops's eye).

But a contradiction arises because the **Gallerist** hadn't explicitly banned either of these two features: (a) the black inner figure can touch either the outer figure or the "blinding stick" (b) the back inner figure can be a dot.

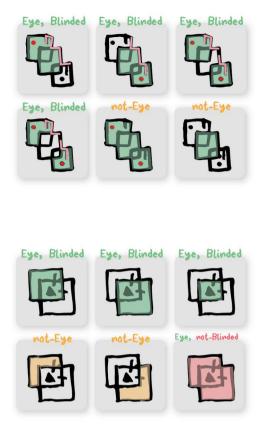
If both features would be legal (as it seems legit to assume), all of the green player submissions would be deemed Originals, because it is obvious that there is a figure in the figure as well as a blinding stick. But with the yellow Drawings, for the one to the left, does that tiny dot at the corner of the figure count as a pupil, thereby making it an eye? Or for the center and right yellow Drawings, does the



red portion count as part of the blinding stick or as its own pupil? These three yellow **Drawings** are **Ambiguous**.

Paradoxes like this cause the **Gallerist** to lose points and, therefore, they could decide to amend their rule to say that the inner figure must not touch either the outer figure or the "blinding stick".

As they continue to take submissions, another paradox arises concerning overlapping figures. As you can see below, the **Gallerist** could interpret the **Drawing** below six different ways.



Or the Drawing below six different ways.

So they must make a decision as to whether intersecting figures can count as an eye.

Because they decide that intersecting figures count as an eye, multiple eyes can be found in the above Drawing, and they did find that one of them was not blinded, as seen in the bottom right picture. Therefore, because there is an unblinded eye, the Drawing doesn't comply with the rule. Below you will see what the final rule became after adjusting the example Drawings.



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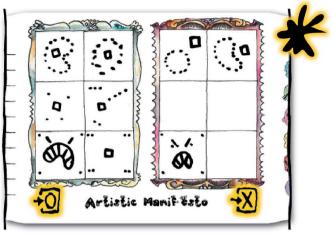
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SETTINGS: Difficult TIPS: for the Gallerist

ARTISTIC MANIFESTO: Drawings

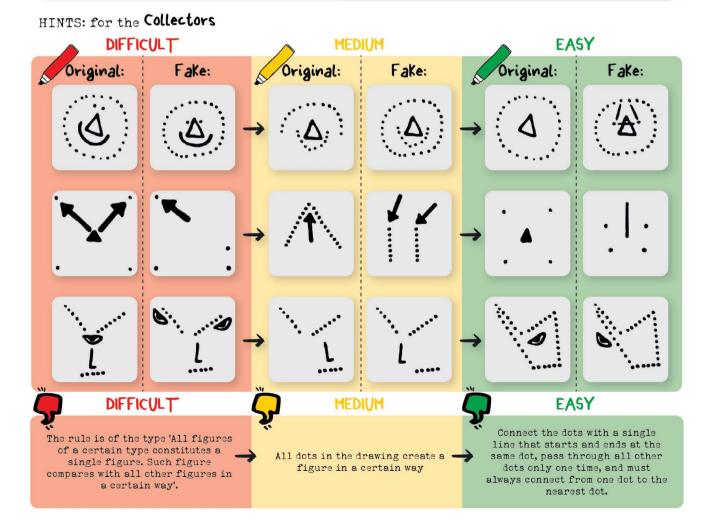


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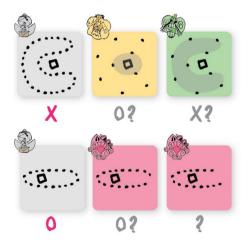


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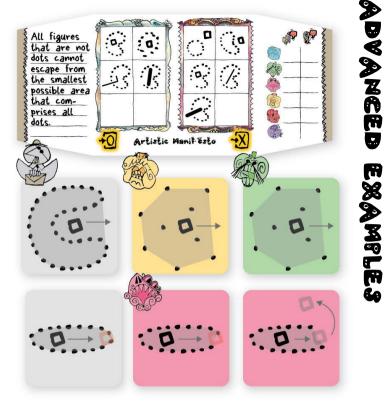
In this instance the secret rule is that "a figure that is not dots is enclosed by dots that must be able to be connected with a single line that starts and ends at the same dot, and the line must connect from one dot to the nearest dot". This is definitely a more advanced rule that would potentially be very hard to get the **Collectors** to come close to. When the **Gallerist** is marking the answers of the **Collector's** drawings, they will go through several different logical steps. Their first version of the rule is "a figure that is not dots is enclosed by dots"



With this rule, there can be many contradictions or ambiguities. For instance, in the examples below, the Yellow player has a different opinion than the Green about how the dots determine the enclosing area of the figure. While the Pink player may question how close the dots need to be together to determine an enclosing area.

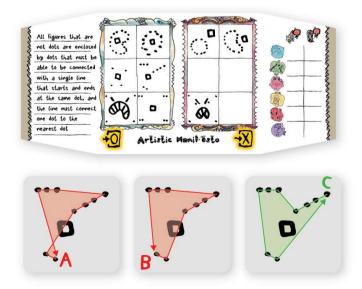


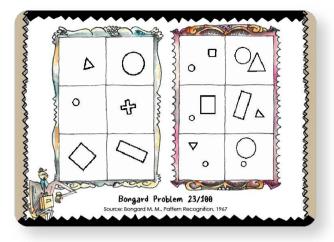
There are different options. One is to consider dots as obstacles, and look at whether they would prevent the figure to "escape". This will result in an **Artistic Manifesto** as the one below.



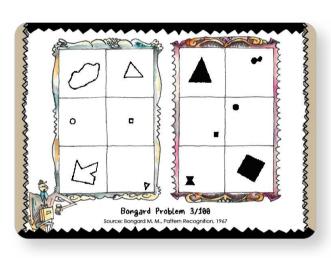
The other is that "all figures that are not dots are enclosed by dots that must be able to be connected with a single line that starts and ends at the same dot, and the line must connect from one dot to the nearest dot".

Since the **Gallerist** objective is not only to avoid contradiction (aka all Inspectors not **Guessing The Rule**: in order to not lose points), but also to create riddles that are not too easy (aka many Art Critics not **Guessing The Rule**: in order to gain points), with this instance of the rule, the **Gallerist** is able to produce examples that go from extremely easy to extremely challenging, like in the example below, wherein, one needs to spot the correct starting dot in order to realize that the drawing is Original.

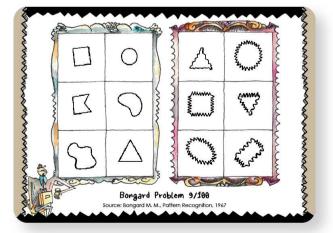




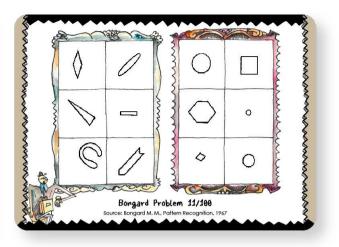
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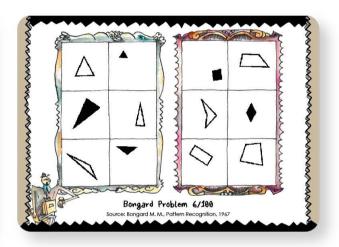
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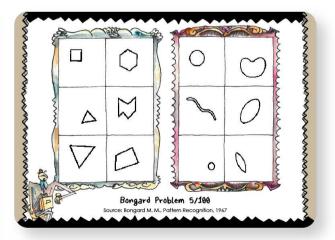
The border of closed figures is 'simple'.



It only contains elongated figures



It contains at least a triangle



It only contains 'closed polygonal chains' (= closed lines with no curves)