**GOAL OF THE GAME**

You are the great Khan’s generals, seeking to succeed him. In order to do this, you must earn the most Victory Points (VP) by the end of the game. There are two ways to earn VP:

1. Fill your Wagons with Valuables.
2. Place cards in your Camp.

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- 64 cards, comprising:
  - 4 Player Aid cards
  - 12 Equipment cards (BLUE)
  - 12 Raid cards (RED)
  - 12 Mercenary cards (GREEN)
  - 12 Curse cards (BLACK)
  - 12 Treasure cards (YELLOW)

- 32 Wagon cards

- 5 « d3 »: BLUE, RED, GREEN, BLACK, YELLOW

- 120 Valuable cubes in 5 colors (24 per color: BLUE, RED, GREEN, BLACK, YELLOW)

- 1 First Player token

- 1 rulebook

Winter 453: The Huns reign supreme over half of the known world. The great Khan, king of the Huns, is suffering, and there are many who dream of taking his place. The Khan must appoint his successor. He will choose the bravest and most glorious of his generals, and you intend for that to be you! But you are not the only contender, and you will have to prove your worth.

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**SETUP**

1. Separate the cards by color to obtain 5 small decks:
   - In a 2-player game, remove the 3+ and the 4 card from each deck.
   - In a 3-player game, remove only the 4 card from each deck.
   - In a 4-player game, use all the cards.
   - Shuffle each deck, and place them face down in a row in the middle of the table, in the following order (from left to right): EQUIPEMENT, RAID, MERCENARY, CURSE, and TREASURE.

2. Pile the Valuable cubes of each color in front of the corresponding deck:
   - In a 2-player game, include 20 Valuable cubes per color.
   - In a 3-player game, include 22 Valuable cubes per color.
   - In a 4-player game, include 24 Valuable cubes per color.

**These Valuables form the Reserve.**
3 Shuffle the Wagon cards to form a deck, and place it face down nearby. Reveal 4 Wagons (face up). As soon as a player takes a face up Wagon, immediately replace it from the top of the deck.

4 Each player takes:
- a player board that you place in front of you.
- 2 Wagons from the top of the deck. Place them face up on the left side of your player board. Unless a particular card effect says otherwise, you will always have 2 Wagons to fill on your player board.

The space in front of you, including your player board, your Wagons, and the Cards you place as the game progresses, is called your Camp.

5 Randomly select a first player. This player takes the First Player token and the 5 dice.

In a 3- or 4-player game, the 3rd player takes any 1 Valuable from the Reserve.
In a 4-player game, the 4th player takes 2 Valuables of different colors from the Reserve.

### Reminder of setup based on player count

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Thus, some players will have more than one turn (taking a die, etc.) in a single round.

**Example:** In a 3-player game, the first player takes a die, the second player takes a die, and the third takes a die. Then, the first player takes a second die, and the second player takes a second die (the last die).

3. After all the dice have been taken, the first player passes the First Player token to the left, and a new round begins.

4. At the end of a round, if a pile of Valuables or a deck of cards is empty, the game ends, and it is time to count VP (see p. 8).
A TURN IN DETAIL

After taking a die, you must take one of the following two actions:

- Draw Cards.
- OR
- Pillage Valuables.

DRAWING CARDS

Whenever you choose to Draw Cards, you draw from the deck that matches the color of the die you chose, and you draw cards equal to the value of that die.

Then you choose one and play it face up in your Camp. Tuck the others face down under their deck.

If you decide to Draw Cards, you are obligated to play one in your Camp. So, if you Draw Cards using a die with a value of 1, you are forced to play the 1 card you draw.

THERE ARE 5 DIFFERENT TYPES OF CARDS: EQUIPEMENT, RAID, MERCENARY, CURSE, and TREASURE (see Card Descriptions, p. 6).

Example: You take the green die, which has a value of 2, and you decide to Draw 2 Cards.

You play Ildico the Poisoner in your Camp and tuck the other card under the Mercenary deck.

PILLAGING VALUABLES

Whenever you decide to Pillage Valuables, you take Valuable cubes from the pile that matches the color of the die you chose, and you take a number equal to the value of that die.

Then you must either:

- Place these Valuables on empty spaces of a single MERCENARY or CURSE in your Camp to work toward filling it.

  OR

- Load these Valuables onto the empty spaces of one or more of your Wagons to work toward filling them.

You can use the Valuables from a single Pillage to fill either of the following:

- any number of Wagons
- ONE Card (Mercenary or Curse)
• TO FILL WAGONS:
You must load the pillaged Valuables onto one or more of your Wagons, respecting the following rules:
- A Valuable must always be placed on an empty space that matches its color.
- The Valuables from a single pillage can be distributed to several Wagons.
- If you took more Valuables than the number of same-color empty spaces on your Wagons, return the excess Valuables to the Reserve.

As soon as a Wagon is entirely full, it is immediately dispatched, and you must:
- Place the Valuables it is transporting in your Stash.
- Place the dispatched Wagon face down on your space for dispatched Wagons.
- Take a new Wagon, either from the face up Wagons or from the top of the deck.
- If you still have Valuables left to load, you may place them on the new Wagon; otherwise, return them to the Reserve.

• TO FILL A CARD:
Only MERCENARY or CURSE cards can be filled with Valuables (see Card Descriptions, p. 6).
Choose one of the MERCENARY or CURSE cards in your Camp, and place all the pillaged Valuables on it, respecting the following rules:
- They must go on ONE single card.
- They do not need to be the same color as the card or any Valuables already on the card.
- If you took more Valuables than there are free spaces, return the excess Valuables to the Reserve.
**CARD DESCRIPTION**

**USING CARD EFFECTS:**
The game phase icon lets you know when you can or must use the effects of the card.

- **Beginning of the turn:** Before or just after taking your die.
- **After the turn:** After finishing your action.
- **During the turn:** Before, during, or after your action.
- **Anytime:** At any moment during the game, even during an opponent’s turn.
- **End of the game:** When counting the final Victory Points.

If several card effects are triggered at the same time, the active player (whose turn it is) chooses the order in which they are resolved.

Important: Because there are 5 turns per round, one turn per die, a card whose effect can be applied each turn can be used several times in the same round, if you are one of the players who gets several turns this round.

**EQUIPMENT CARDS (BLUE)**
**EQUIPMENT** cards have a permanent effect.
Place the Equipment card in your Camp and benefit immediately from its effect.

At the end of the game, Equipment cards are not worth any points.

**RAID CARDS (RED)**
**RAID** cards have a temporary effect that only applies one time in the game, when you activate it.
Place the Raid card in your Camp. You can activate its effect during one of your turns by rotating the card. A rotated Raid card cannot be activated again.

At the end of the game, each Raid card is worth 1 VP, regardless of whether it has been activated.

Note: You can activate only one Raid card per turn, even if you have several in your Camp.

**MERCENARY CARDS (GREEN)**
**MERCENARY** cards have a permanent effect, once activated. To activate a Mercenary card, you must fill all of the spaces on the card with Valuables. You place the Mercenary card in your Camp.
If a completed Mercenary loses one or more Valuables during the game, its effect become inactive until those spaces are filled again.

At the end of the game, an incomplete Mercenary in your Camp loses you 1 VP. A full Mercenary in your Camp earns you 1 VP.
• CURSE CARDS (BLACK)

Curse cards are the only cards you play in your opponents’ Camps.

CURSE cards have a permanent effect until they are deactivated. To deactivate a curse card, you must fill all of the spaces on the card with Valuables. As soon as the Curse is full, it becomes inactive; rotate the card to indicate this.

Leave the Valuables you used on the card, and keep the Curse card in front of you.

Fleeing: At the moment a Curse card is placed in front of you, you can choose to Flee. If you do so, you immediately flip the card face down, and keep it in your Camp.

Its effect does not apply, but at the end of the game, for each Curse you fled, you will lose as many VP as there are players in the game.

A fled Curse cannot be flipped over again.
A Curse that you did not flee immediately can no longer be fled.
You cannot place a Curse in your own Camp.

At the end of the game, face up Curse cards in your Camp neither earn nor lose VP for you, regardless of whether they are full.

• TREASURE CARDS (YELLOW)

TREASURE cards have no effect during the game, but permit you to earn VP at the end of the game if you meet the victory condition.
Place the Treasure card in your Camp.

At the end of the game, each Treasure is worth as many VP as the number of players if you have met its conditions.

GLOSSARY

CAMP: Your Camp is the space in front of you. It includes the cards you placed, Curse cards played on you, your player board with its Wagons (dispatched and not) and your Stash.

DISPATCHED WAGON: When a Wagon is full, it is dispatched immediately; place its Valuables in your Stash, and place the Wagon face down on the space for dispatched Wagons on your player board.

FLEE A CURSE: Avoid suffering the effects of a Curse by flipping it face down in your Camp the moment it is played on you. Its effect does not apply, but at the end of the game each fled Curse loses you as many VP as there are players.

STASH: This is the area of your player board where you keep the Valuables from your dispatched Wagons.

PILLAGE: Take Valuables.

DRAW: Take one or more cards from a deck, and play one in your Camp (an opponent’s Camp if it is a Curse).

VP: Victory Point. At the end of the game, the player with the most VP wins the game.

FILL A CARD: Place Valuables on the empty spaces of ONE single Mercenary or Curse card.

RESERVE: These are the piles of available Valuables.

VALUABLE: This is a colored cube, which can be obtained during a Pillage or from a card effect. Use Valuables to fill Wagons, Mercenary cards, and Curse cards.

EXCESS VALUABLES: A Valuable is considered to be in excess if you have no space available to place it. You must return it to the place it has been taken from.

TURN: A “round” comprises 5 turns. A “turn” involves a player choosing a die and an action (Pillage or Draw) to take using that die’s color and value.
You may take several turns in a single round, such that cards that trigger at the beginning or end of each turn can be triggered several times per round.
ALWAYS KEEP IN MIND

CARD EFFECTS
Certain cards have triggered effects (at the beginning of your turn, during an attack, when a player chooses a die, when drawing cards, etc.). You must be vigilant to make sure you and your opponents apply these effects!

CLARIFICATIONS ABOUT CARDS
Any card played in a Camp remains in that Camp until the end of the game. There is no limit to the number of cards in your Camp, and they must be visible to everyone. Card effects can modify the rules and mechanisms of the game; card effects always take priority over the rules.

CLARIFICATIONS ABOUT PILLAGING
You are obligated to use every pillaged Valuable if you can; however, you are allowed to Pillage Valuables even if you have no place to put them. In that case, they all return to the Reserve as excess Valuables.

Although the situation is rare, you are allowed to perform the Pillage Valuables action even if there are no more Valuables of the appropriate color. If you do so, simply do nothing; you are not required to Draw Cards instead.

END OF THE GAME
At the end of a round (when all the dice have been used), if there are no more Valuables of one color, or one of the decks is empty, the game ends. It is time to count VP.

Note: It is possible for an empty pile of Valuables or deck of cards to be refilled during the round. If no piles or decks are empty at the end of the round, the game continues.

Count your Camp’s Victory Points:

+1VP for each RAID (active or not).
+1VP for each MERCENARY entirely full of Valuables.
-1VP for each MERCENARY not completely full of Valuables.

+VICTORY POINTS depending on the number of players in play:

+1VP PER PLAYER for each TREASURE whose condition you have fulfilled (e.g., 2-player game: 2 VP; 3-player game: 3 VP; 4-player game: 4 VP).
-1VP PER PLAYER for each CURSE you have fled (flipped face down).
+1VP PER PLAYER per dispatched Wagon.

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