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### Disclaimer

This is a work in progress game. Furthermore, this is a free print and play demo version of my game, so expect some unbalancement and some grammar mistakes (English is not my first language). If you want to keep track of future free PnP versions, subscribe to my blog at www.finalbosscardgame.com

This card game intends to be a parody of classic and modern video games with a twist of humor. You can send me your feedback at finalbosscardgame@gmail.com. Send me your ideas for new cards or game mechanics, or just say hi and encourage me. That would help a lot!

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#### **BIG THANKS**

To mγ friends Luis and Miguel, I owe γou some beers.

Many thanks as well to the artists for believing in my idea and helping out in producing some card prototypes.

Finally, many thanks to my playtesters: Jordi, Vanesa, Pat, Oscar, Alexandra and Dani. Many thanks as well to the Barcelona Board Games meetup for their insights!

Rafael González Barcelona, 2016

If you like the game, check these links for updates and news:

http://www.finalbosscardgame.com/ https://www.reddit.com/r/finalbosscardgame https://boardgamegeek.com/boardgame/197788/final-boss-card-game

## **Kickstarter**

I'm preparing a crowdfunding campaign to raise moneγ to produce a printed version of this game. I have the invaluable help of some great artists that have signed up for the project. Here is a preview of the kick-starter campaign: https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/2137575517/1045154826?token=6c5099aa

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## Cards

Unfortunately, as a demo, some cards didn't make it to this free print and play. Those are some cards you are missing, that may be present in the kickstarter version of this game:

Brushwood Threepquy Legend Champion Megawoman That Ring Proud Badge Utility Belt Scope Hero Shield Defuse Kit Barrel Katana Hidden Blade Green Shell Shotgun Chicken Pulley Map Zero Gravity **Bullet Time** Beta Tester Sands of Time Fire Shot

Electric Shot Murloc Punk Bitch Soviet Nazi Cretin Bunny Alien Minion Dead Licker Blink Ghost Bonus stage Infested Mansion Underwater stage Castlevenue Level One Village Star World Metro Stage Empire of Ages Nuclear Bunker Battle Arena Ice World Secret Stage Tiny Planet

Dark Castle **Rage of Streets** Hostage Rescue lail Light Castle The Maze Tower of Magic Trap! **Exploding Spaceship** Kart Circuit Secret Laboratory Cemeterv **Enchanted Forest** Black hole New Land Feudal Japan Ancient Rome Post Apoc Hell Meteor shower Treasuries Pinball

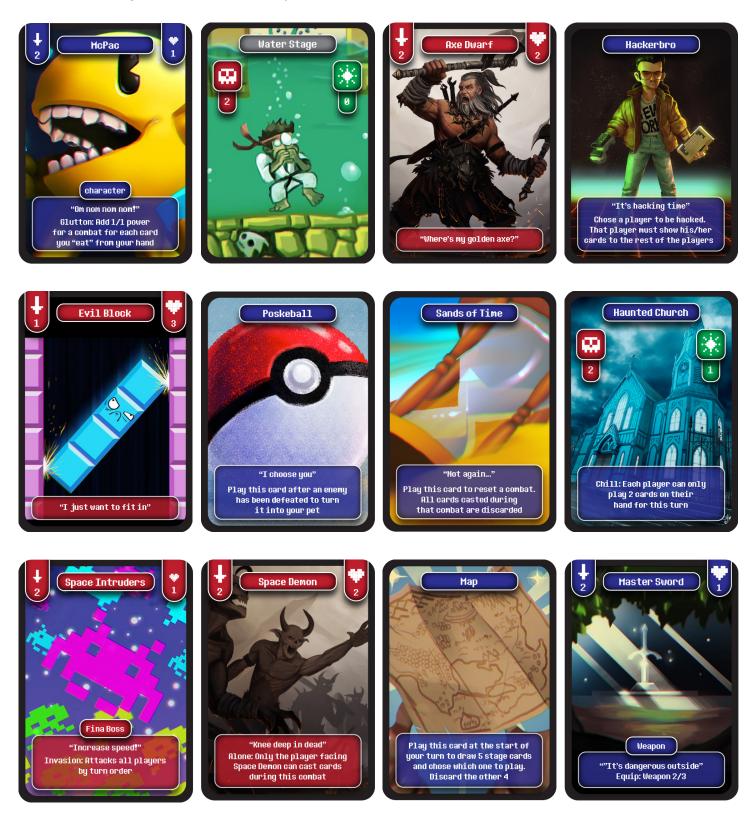
Please note that this is a work in progress game, so many cards can be dropped out or changed, so the final list of cards won't be available until the kickstarter campaign starts. Anyway, I will be releasing new PnP versions from time to time with significant updates so remember to check the website periodically.

#### Art

The cards will be commissioned to these great artists, that helped me out at producing some prototypes:

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Alex Rivero	http://alexlapiz.deviantart.com/
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Here is how the game would look once printed:



# RULES

## CARDS

There are 2 decks: Enemies and Drops. The Enemies Deck contains Regular Enemies (red cards) and Final Bosses (black cards)

**ENEMY CARDS:** Those are the normal foes the players have to fight.. Some have special effects that will alter the combat. Unless indicated, those special effects take place immediately once the combat starts. When defeated, the player will collect the drops under the enemy card.

**FINAL BOSSES:** Same as regular enemies, but much more powerful. If a player defeats a Final Boss, wins the game.

The Drops Deck contains Inventory (Blue cards) and Specials (green cards)

**INVENTORY**: Inventory cards are placed in front of the player, to be considered active cards. Some have power values that add its value to the player's total value. Others have special effects that can be triggered to help a player during a combat. There are 3 types:

**Characters**: Players can only have one active character at a time unless told so. They can't change characters unless otherwise indicated

Weapons: Players can only have one active weapon at a time unless told so, but they can change weapons if they wish so.

Equipment: Players can have as many active equipment as they wish

**SPECIALS**: Special cards are mostly kept in the player's hand until used. Their effects vary from card to card, but as a general rule, their effect lasts for a combat (unless otherwise indicated) and applies immediately, unless canceled by other card.

## GAMEPLAY

**Preparations**: Shuffle the Enemies deck and the Drops deck. Decide who will be the first player. A round would be the time between each first player's turns.

## **TURN ORDER**

**Hand Settling:** At the beginning of his/her turn, a plaγer will draw drop cards until having at least 5 in his/ her hand, OR discard cards from his/her hand until having a maximum of 7.

**Inventory time:** After that, the player can activate as many inventory cards as he/she wishes

**Dealing Time:** After inventory time, the player will draw as many enemy cards as the round indicates and place them face down on the table so no one can see them. Then he/she will draw as many drop cards per enemy as the round indicates an will place them facing down under each enemy. Finally, he/she will decide which player faces which enemy and in what order

Enemies and drops per round: Round O: No enemies or drops are drawn, each player just draws 5 cards to his/her hand Round 1: 1 enemy and 1 drop per enemy Round 2: 2 enemies and 2 drops per enemy Round 3: 3 enemies and 3 drops per enemy and so on (same number of enemies and drops per enemy as the round number)

**Combat Time:** Then each player faces their enemies by the order dictated by the dealing player until there are no more active enemies, then the turn ends and starts the next.

### COMBAT

**POWER VALUES**: A player's power value is the sum of all it's active cards power values, being O/O by default if there are no cards in play. The first number indicates his/her attack power and the second his/her health. Players activate cards and play specials to raise their power for combat purposes. Enemies and Final Bosses have their power values indicated in their cards.

**COMBAT ORDER:** The player facing the enemy will be the first one to cast, and the rest will play one card at a time, following turn order. They can pass if they don't want to play a card. Remember that they can play as many cards as they want to affect a combat

**COUNTER CARD:** When a card is played, the other players have the chance to cancel it by playing a card immediately after it, if its effects cancel the previous card. At the same time, counter cards can also be countered by a card played immediately after it.

**DEATH:** When a player fights an enemy or another player, Health values are confronted against Attack values. If the result is 0 or less, it will mean the death of that player or enemy. Enemies attack first, meaning that a player's death will occur before an enemy's death. All players can play as many cards as they want, to affect a combat.

**Player Death:** When a player dies, each other players draw a random card from him/her and all his/her cards (both hand and inventory) are discarded. That player will remain dead with no cards until the end of the current turn. Place the enemy card face down in front of the player to remember how many deaths he/she has

Enemy Death: The enemy is discarded and the player adds the drop cards under it to his/her hand.

#### VICTORY

There are 3 ways of winning;

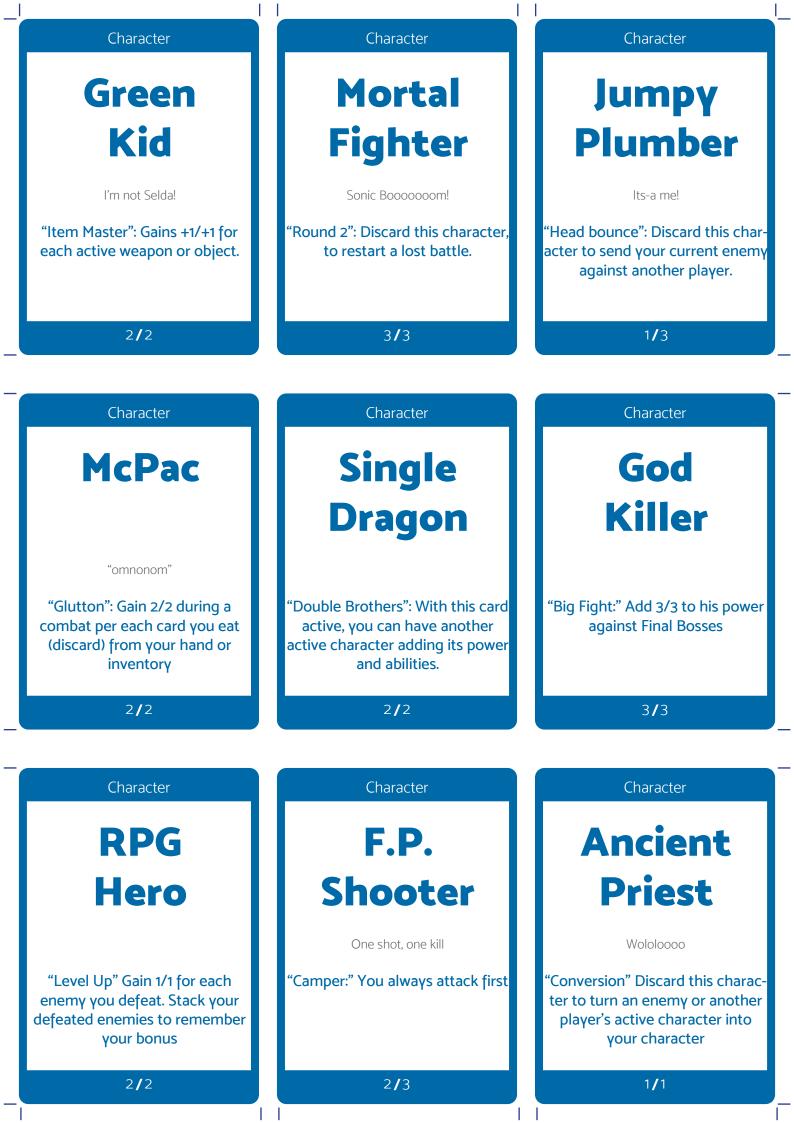
3 Lives: When there is only 1 player with less than 3 deaths, she/he becomes the winner

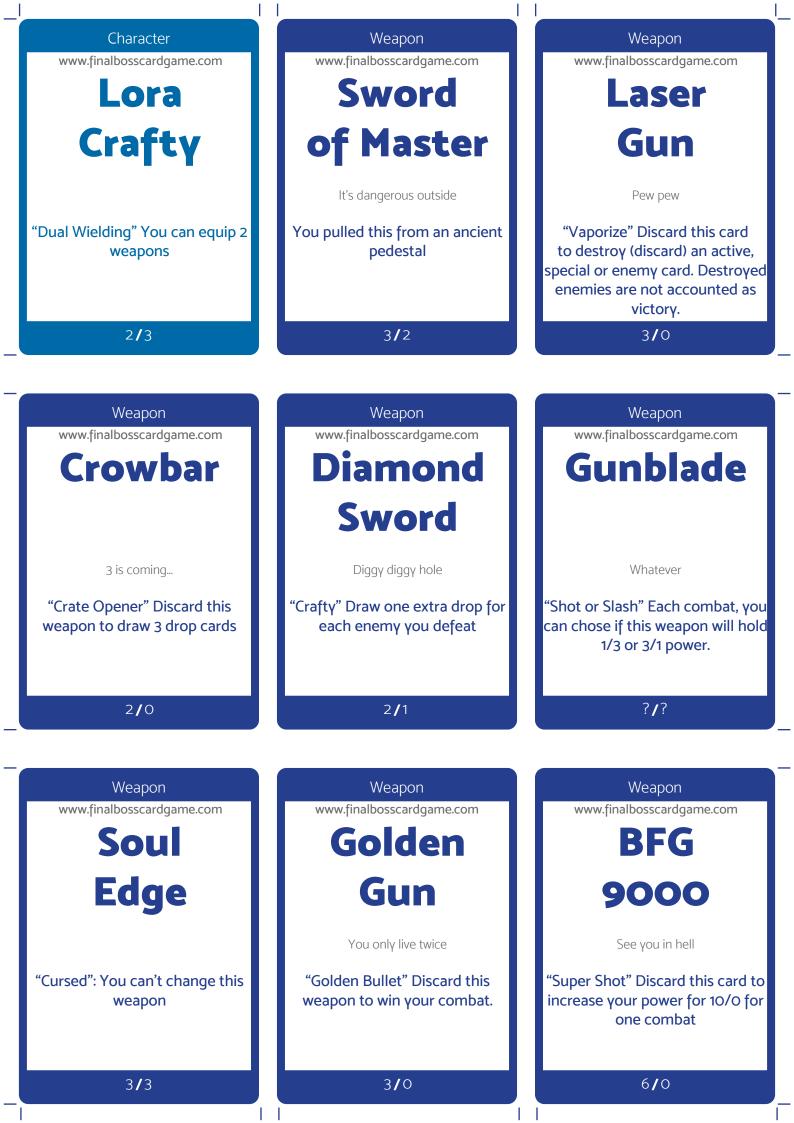
**Final Boss:** When a player defeats a Final Boss, he/she wins the game, no matter how many deaths he/she has.

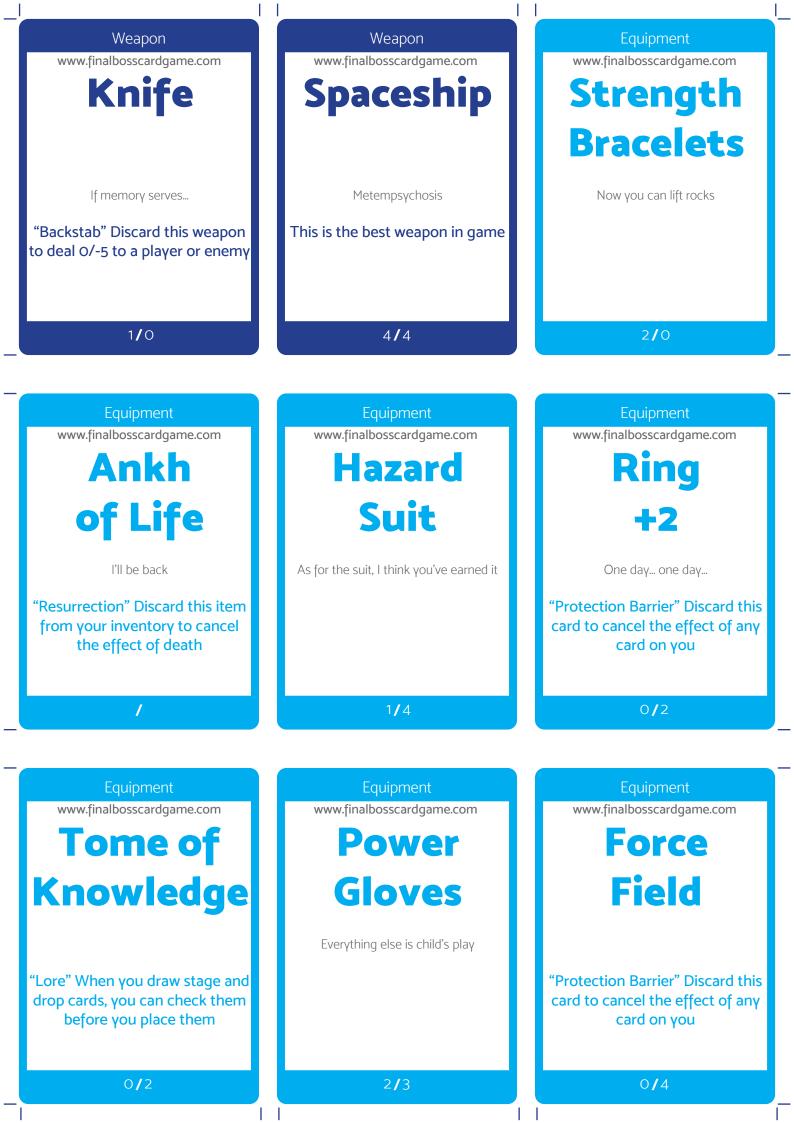
Trifectas: There are 3 trifecta cards in the game. The player who collects them all wins.

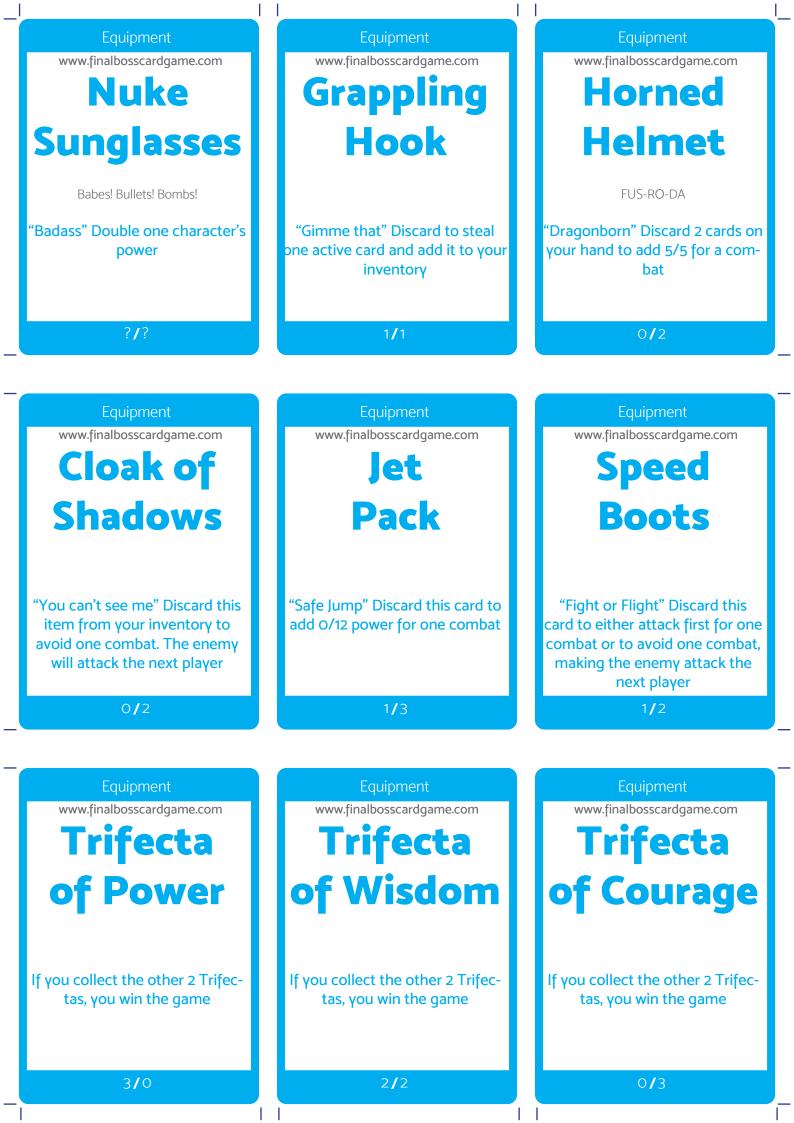
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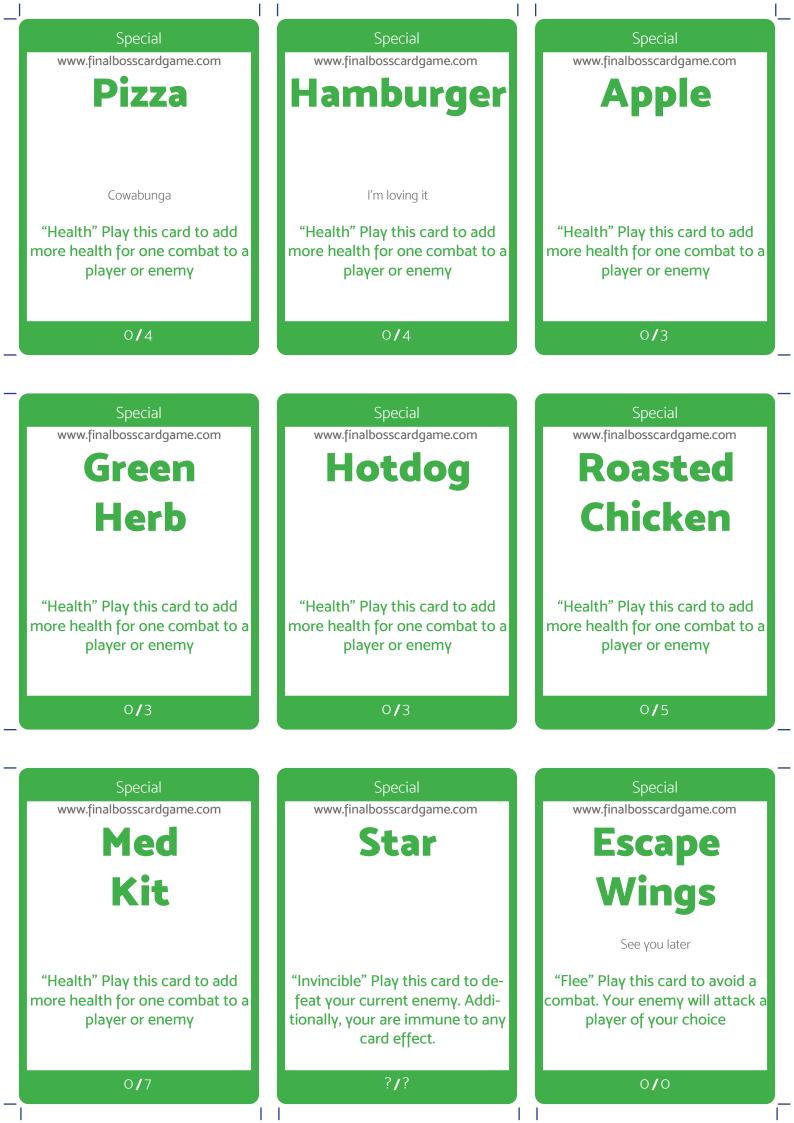
You should use a notebook to keep track of power values during a combat. Makes calculations easier. Also, note the turn owner by dealing a token, and write down the round number. To keep track of each player's death you can stack enemy cards facing down.

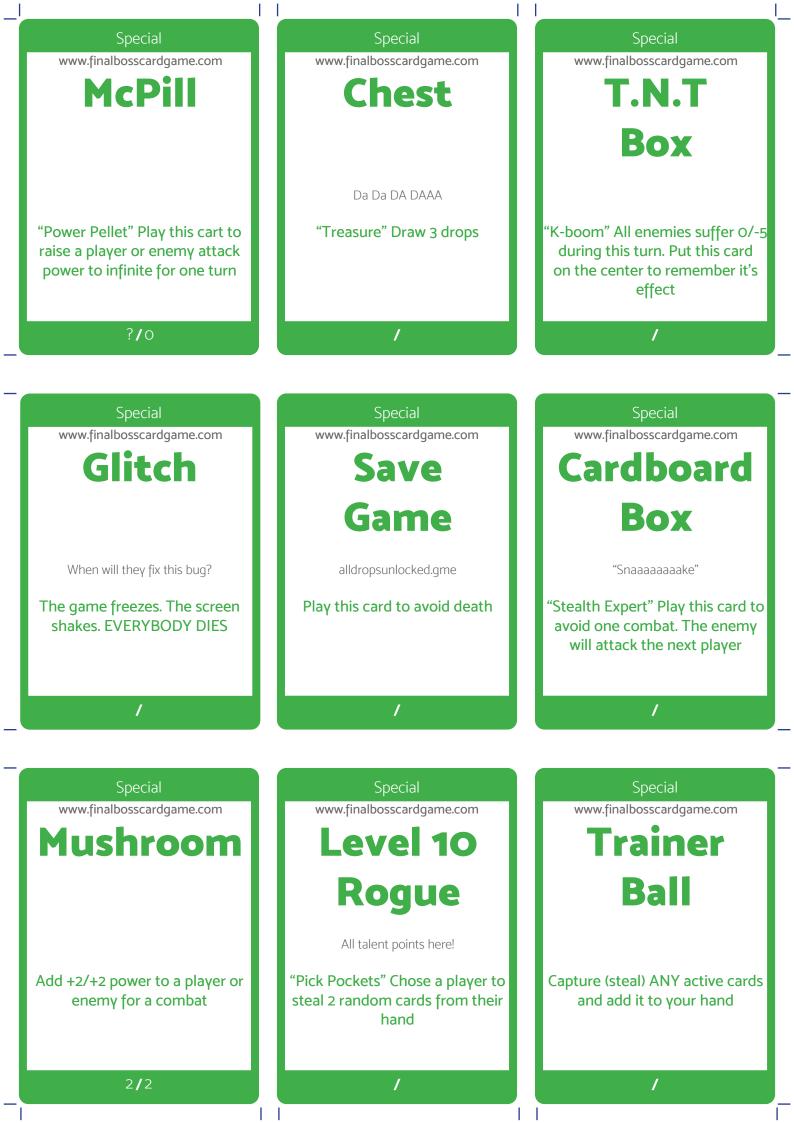


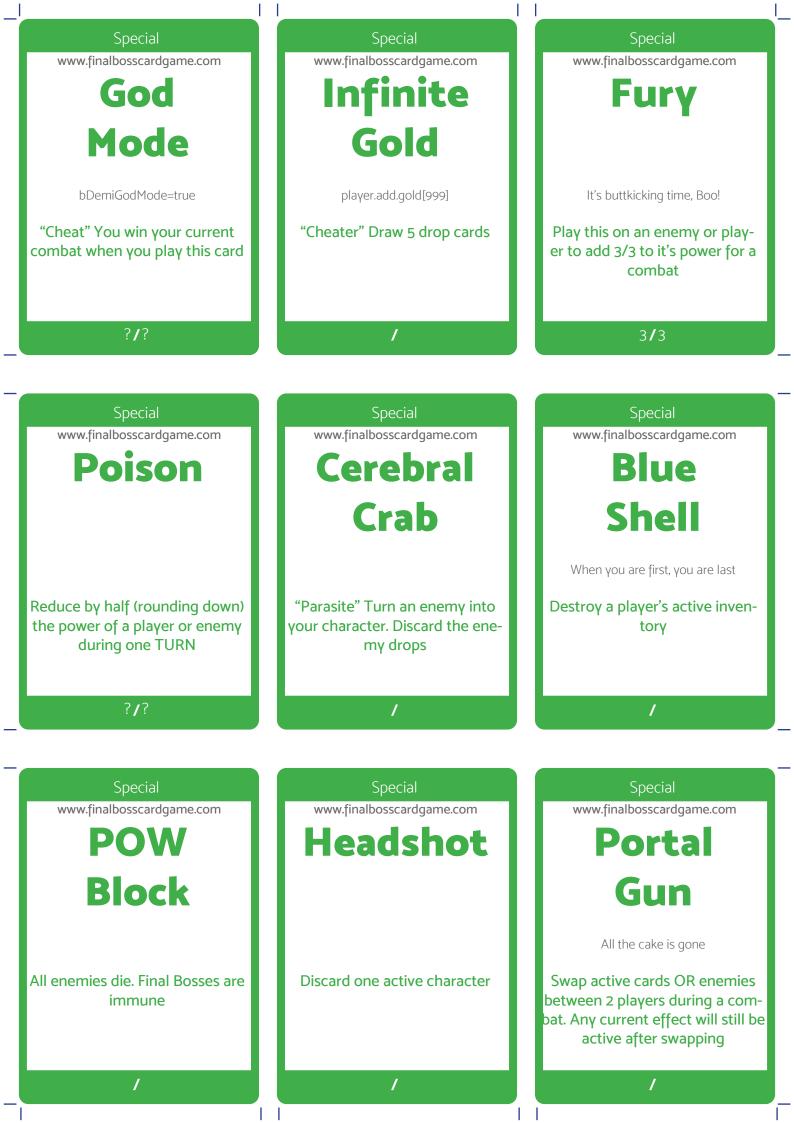


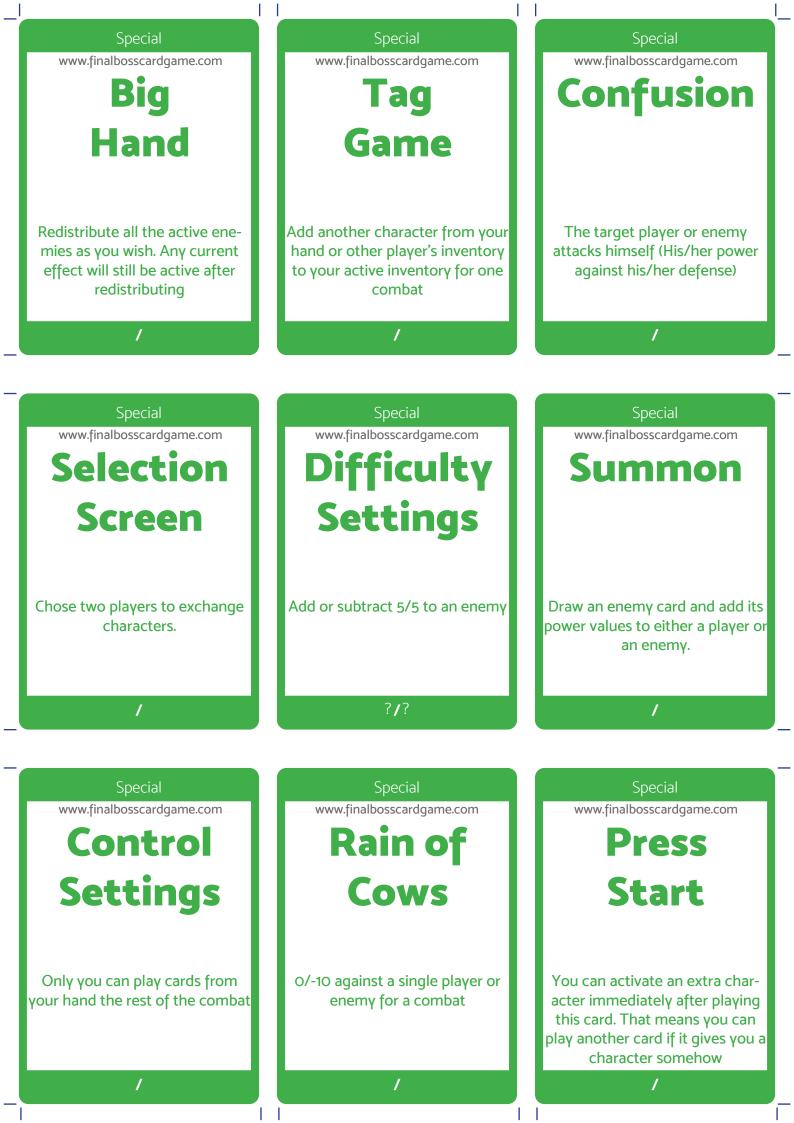


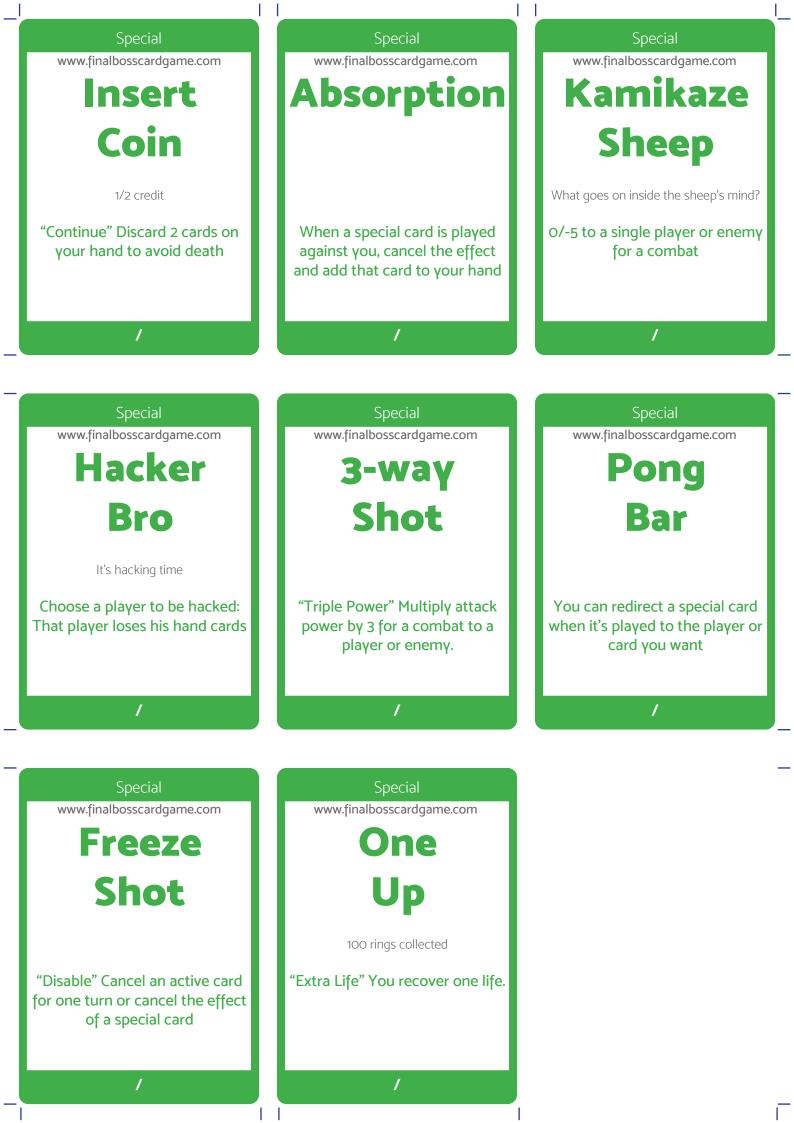


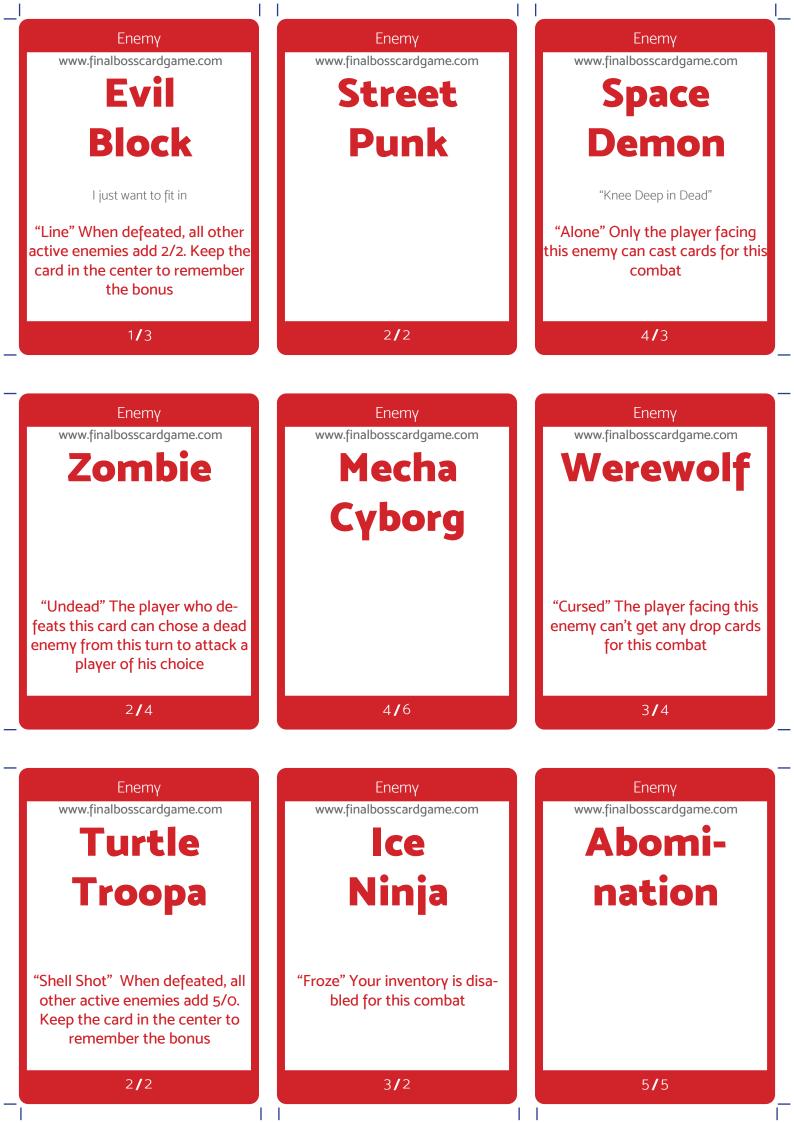


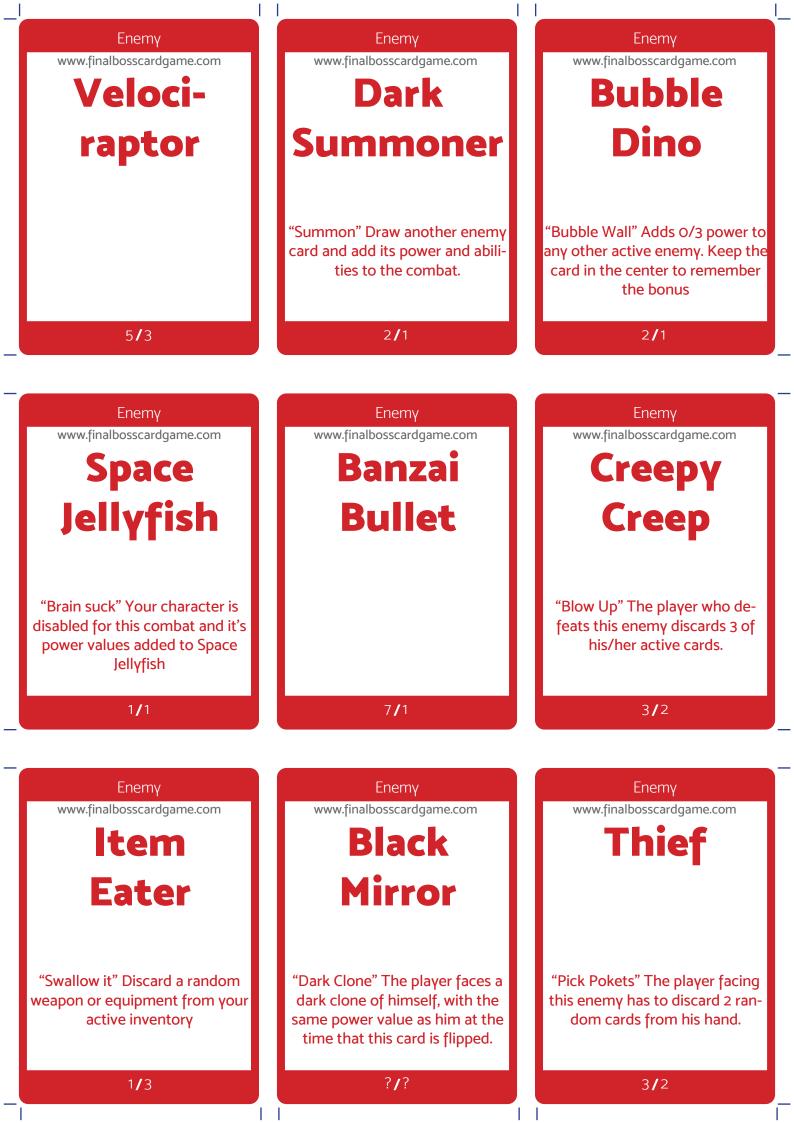


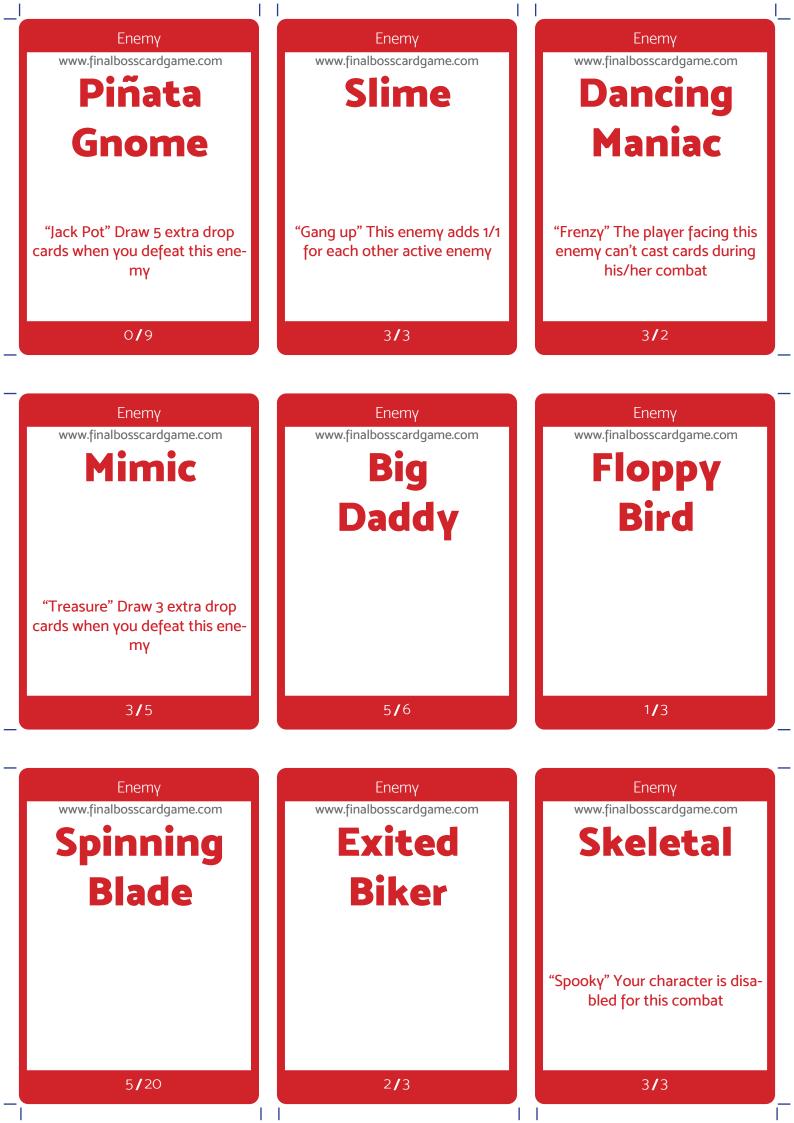


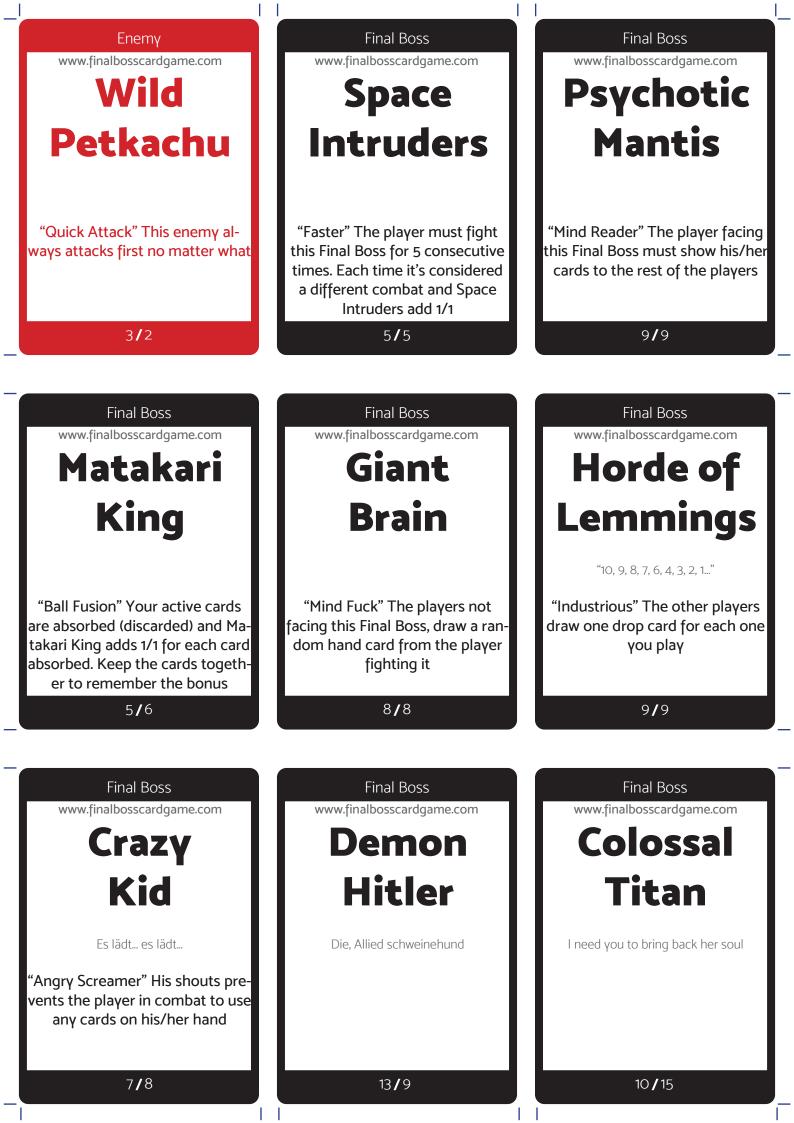


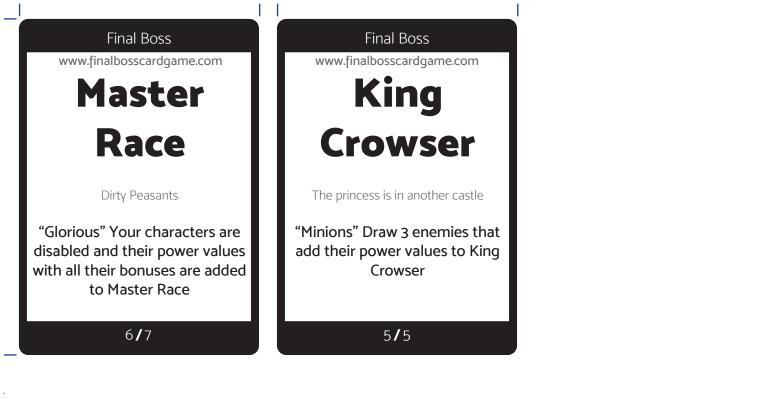












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