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PREPARATION ... Place the board on a table, and put the People and Event cards facedown on their allotted spaces on the board. Each player chooses one token to represent him/her while traveling around the board.

Each player is given 1,500 units of power divided as follows: two each of 500s, 100s and 50s; six 20s; five each of 10s, 5s and 1s.

All remaining power and other equipment go to the Bank. Stack the Bank's power on edge in the compartments in the plastic Banker's tray.

BANKER ... Select as Banker a player who will also make a good Auctioneer. A Banker who plays in the game must keep his/her personal power separate from that of the Bank. When more than five people play, the Banker may elect to act only as Banker and Auctioneer.

THE BANK ... Besides the Bank's units of power, the Bank holds all Title Deed cards, as well as strongholds and fortresses prior to construction and use by the players. The Bank pays salaries and bonuses. It sells and auctions territories and hands out their proper Title Deed cards; it sells strongholds and fortresses to the players and loans power when required on mortgages.

The Bank collects all penalties, loans and interest, and the value of all territories that it sells and auctions.

The Bank never "goes broke." If the Bank runs out of power, the Banker may issue as much more as may be needed by merely writing on any ordinary paper.

THE PLAY ... Starting with the Banker, each player in turn rolls the dice. The player with the highest total starts the play: Place your token on the corner marked "GO;" roll the two dice and move your token in the direction of the arrow the number of spaces indicated by the dice. After you have completed your play, the turn passes to the left. The tokens remain on the spaces occupied and proceed from that point on the player's next turn. Two or more tokens may rest on the same space at the same time.

According to the space your token reaches, you may be entitled to lay claim to a territory from Middle-earth – or be obliged to pay rent, pay penalties, draw a People or Event card, "Go to Jail," etc.

If you roll doubles, you move your token as usual, the sum of the two dice, and are subject to any privileges or penalties pertaining to the space on which you land. Retaining the dice, roll again and move your token as before. If you roll doubles three times in succession, move your token immediately to the "In Jail" part of the "IN JAIL - JUST VISITING" corner space (see JAIL).

"GO" ... Each time a player's token lands on or passes over GO, whether by rolling the dice or by drawing a card, the Banker pays him/her a salary of 200 units of power.

The 200 units of power is paid only once each time around the board. However, if you pass GO on the roll of the dice and land two spaces beyond it on Events, or seven spaces beyond it on People, and you draw the "Fly you Fools! Proceed to Go" or the "You are healed by Elrond. Proceed to Go" card, you collect 200 units of power for passing GO the first time and another 200 for reaching it the second time by instructions on the card.

LAYING CLAIM TO TERRITORY (BUYING PROPERTY) ... Whenever you land on an unclaimed territory, you may claim it from the Bank at its printed value. You receive the Title Deed card showing ownership of this territory; place it faceup in front of you.

If you do not wish to lay claim to the territory, the Banker auctions it to the highest bidder. The buyer pays to the Bank the amount of the bid, in units of power, and receives the Title Deed card for the territory. Any player, including the one who declined the option of claiming the territory at the printed value, may bid. Bidding may start at any price.

PAYING RENT ... When you land on a territory claimed by another player, the owner collects rent from you in accordance with the list printed on its Title Deed card.

If the territory is mortgaged, no rent can be collected. When a territory is mortgaged, its Title Deed card is placed facedown in front of the owner.



value of the territory. The new owner who does this may then, at his/her option, pay the principal or hold the territory until some later turn, then lift the mortgage. If he/she holds territory in this way until a later turn, he/she must pay the interest again upon lifting the mortgage.

Should you owe the Bank, instead of another player, more than you can pay (because of penalties) even by selling off buildings and mortgaging territories, you must turn over all assets to the Bank. In this case, the Bank immediately sells by auction all territories so taken, except buildings. A bankrupt player must immediately retire from the game. The last player left in the game wins.

MISCELLANEOUS ... Power can only be loaned to a player by the Bank, and then only by mortgaging territories. No player may borrow from or lend power to another player.

RULES for a SHORT GAME

(60 to 90 minutes)

There are five changed rules for this first Short Game.

1. During PREPARATION, the Banker shuffles then deals three Title Deed cards to each player. These are Free. No payment to the Bank is required.
2. You need only three strongholds (instead of four) on each territory of a complete color-group before you may buy a fortress. Fortress rent remains the same. The turn-in value is still one-half of the purchase value, which in this game is one stronghold less than in the regular game.
3. If you land in Jail you must exit on your next turn by (1) using a "Get Out of Jail Free" card if you have (or can buy) one; (2) rolling doubles; or (3) paying 50 units of power. Unlike the standard rules, you may try to roll doubles and, failing to do so, pay the 50 units of power on the same turn.
4. The penalty for landing on "Seen by the Palantir" is a flat 200 units of power.
5. **END OF GAME:** The game ends when one player goes bankrupt. The remaining players add up their: (1) power on hand; (2) territories, steeds and staffs of the Wizards claimed, at the



value printed on the board; (3) any mortgaged territories claimed, at one-half the value printed on the board; (4) strongholds, counted at the purchase value; (5) fortresses, counted at purchase value including the amount for the three strongholds turned in.

The most powerful player wins!

ANOTHER GOOD SHORT GAME

TIME LIMIT GAME ... Before starting, agree upon a definite hour of termination, when the most powerful player will be declared the winner. Before starting, the Banker shuffles and cuts the Title Deed cards and deals two to each player. Players immediately pay the Bank the value of the territories dealt to them.

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