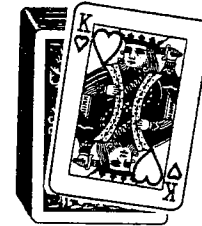
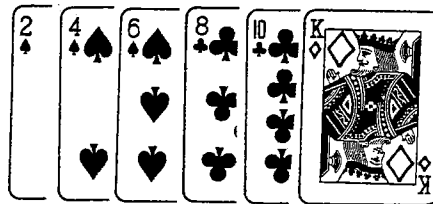
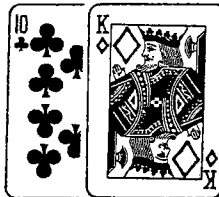


Deal three
 You are -1 or +25 (your crib)
 Jake is -16
 Your par is 59 (8-deal try)

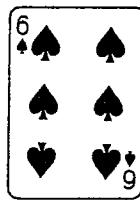


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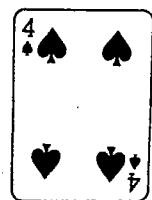


To your crib

(score two)
 "Fifteen-two"



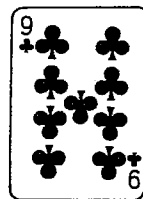
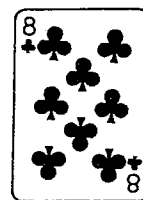
"Twenty-nine"



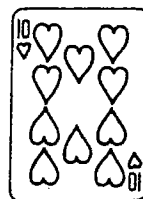
(score two)
 "Thirty-one"



"Eighteen"



"Nine"



"Twenty-five"



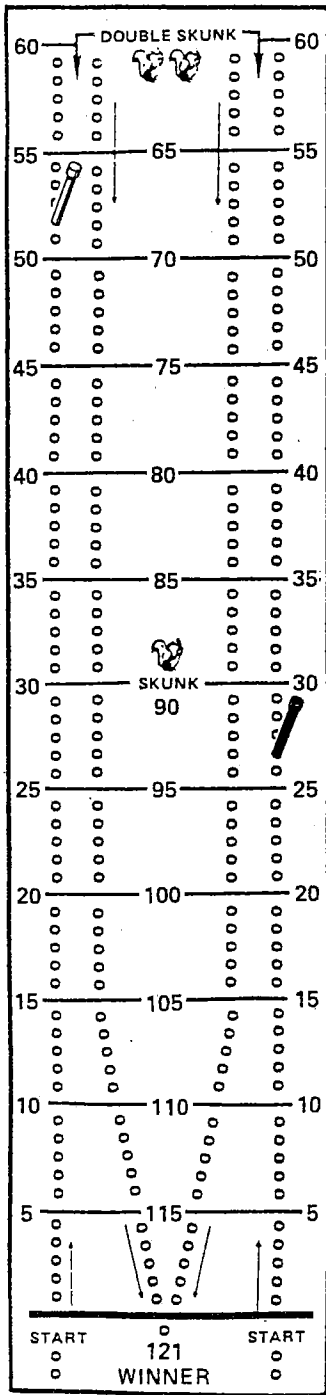
"Ten"



"Twenty-eight"
 (score one)

Summary: Ouch! You are dealt a poor hand and score a total of 10 points (6-point crib) and stand at 52 (-7 for an 8-deal try). Jake scored an average 10 points and stands at only 27 and is still -16. Your strategy remains the same. You have the option of playing offensively or defensively on deal four.

Deal three.
 Your score: 52 (-7 or +19).
 Jake's score: 27 (-16).

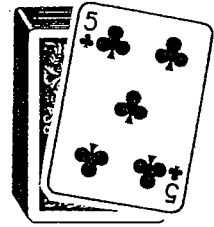


Deal four

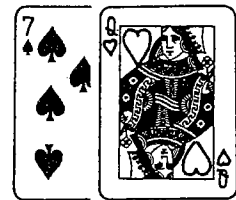
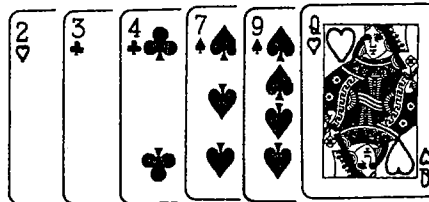
You are -7 or +19

Jake is -16 and has the crib

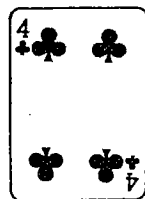
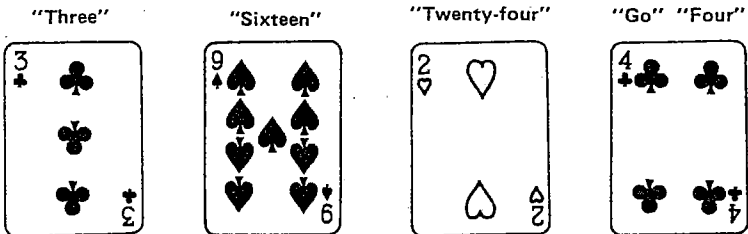
Your par is 69 (8- deal try)



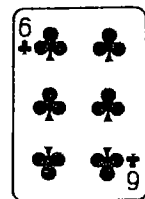
Starter



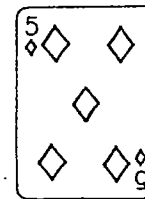
To Jake's crib



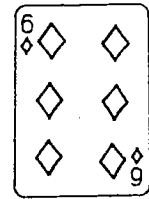
"Seven"



"Twenty-two"



"Twenty-nine"
(score one)



"Ten"
(score one)

Summary: the starter card did not give you a high-scoring hand and, in addition, Jake's first card played (4) may combine with the starter (giving him a possible high-scoring hand). Those two circumstances force you to play the defensive option. You do NOT pair Jake's 4 or form a run of 3 as defense is now the byword. Jake, indeed, does have a high-scoring 24-point hand, pegs 2 points, and has a 8-point crib for a total of 34 points!

You score only 6 points and stand at 58 (-11 for a 8-deal try or +15 for a 10-deal try). Jake, alas, stands at 61 (+2). Your option has disappeared. Defense is the play for deal 5.

Deal four.

Your score: 58 (-11 or +15).

Jake's score: 61 (+2).