

Build -It (Fraction Card Game)

Materials: Build-It Fraction Cards (16), Build-It Gameboard, Fraction bar manipulatives

Players: 2 *Appropriate for 5th grade*

Object: Practice comparing and ordering fractions. Be the first player to order 5 fraction cards from smallest to largest.

How to Play:

1. Each player displays the gameboard on the table in front of him/her.
2. The dealer shuffles the cards and deals one card facedown on each of the 5 spaces on both gameboards.
3. The dealer puts the remaining cards facedown in a draw pile and turns over the top card faceup in a discard pile.
4. Players turn over all 5 cards on each of their gameboards. The order of the cards may not be changed at any time during the game.
5. Players take turns. For each turn, a player takes either the top card from the facedown pile OR the top card from the discard faceup pile. The player decides whether to keep the card or put it faceup on the discard pile.
6. If the player keeps the card, he/she must use it to replace one of the 5 cards on his/her gameboard. The player puts the replaced card faceup on the discard pile. (The player may wish to build the fraction using the fraction bar manipulatives to compare the two fractions.)
7. If all the facedown cards are used, the dealer shuffles the discard pile and places those cards facedown in a new draw pile. The top card is turned over to start a new discard pile.
8. The winner is the first player to have all 5 cards on his/her gameboard in order from smallest fraction to largest fraction.