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AGES: 8 UP
PLAYERS: UNLIMITED

PATATA!™

DIG UP THE BEST
ANSWERS TO KEEP
THE SPUD ROLLING!

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1 foam
potato



100 double-sided
cards



9 topping
cards



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GOAL OF THE GAME

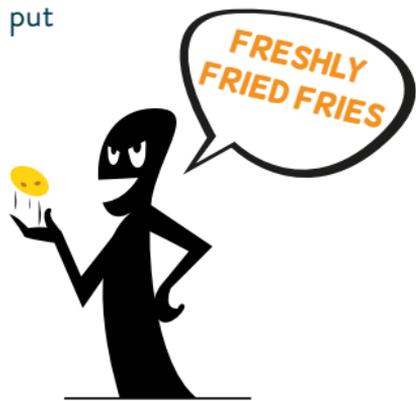
Mash the competition with your quick quips and always have an a-peeling phrase at the ready! Pass the hot potato to end the game with the fewest cards.

SET-UP

Shuffle the double-sided cards and put them in the center of the table. This will be your draw pile.

Leave the topping cards in the box for now. You can use them in later games to add flavor once you're more seasoned Patata players!

The first player who manages to say "Freshly fried fries" three times fast starts the game. Hand them the foam potato!



HOW TO PLAY

Now let's get into the meat-and-potatoes of the game! You'll play over 10 rounds. Each round:

- 1 The player with the potato takes a double-sided card from the draw pile, chooses which side they want to play with (front or back), and reads out the theme for this round.
- 2 This player must come up with a word or phrase that relates to the card, then toss the potato to another player of their choice.
- 3 Now it's that player's turn to cook up an expression related to the card. If they successfully keep the spud rolling with a quick-witted remark, it's then their turn to throw the potato to someone else, and so on around the table...

NOTE

You can't repeat a phrase another player has already used. Draw on your ingenuity to come up with a creative line—we're rooting for you!

END OF A ROUND

Sooner or tater, the round will end in 1 of 3 ways:



CANT KETCHUP

If another player throws you the potato but you're all out of ideas, the round ends.

Take and keep the card that was used this round.

Now start a new round!



TIME FRIES

If you think the player with the potato is taking too long to deliver their response, slap your hand to your forehead.

Majority rules: if more than half of the players do the same, the player with the potato loses this round.

They take and keep the card that was used this round, and start a new round.

PATATA!

You've caught the potato and think the previous player's line was kinda starchy? Shout "PATATA!" to challenge them on it!

If you can get a majority of your spuddies to agree with you, the previous player takes and keeps the card that was used this round. Pitch them back the potato, too! Now they start a new round.

However, if a majority of the other players think you just have a chip on your shoulder, you're the one who takes and keeps the card and has to start the new round!



END OF THE GAME

After 10 rounds, it's time to tot up your taters! Count your cards. Whoever has the fewest is crowned Spud of the Hill.

In case of a tie, the tied players hash it out in a final contest: the Golden Fry. Play using the rules above, except players are eliminated as soon as they lose a round.

Continue until the true Spud of the Hill is the only one left standing!

VARIANTS

Small potatoes:

If you'd like to tweak the duration of the game, add or subtract 1 or more rounds.

Toppings mode (for 3+ players)

Add toppings to taste for a game of Patata you can really sink your teeth into. Topping cards add a condition that lasts for a single round. Lay them out face up around the draw pile. Each round, the player with the potato chooses a topping in addition to a double-sided card.



SHREDDED CHEESE:

Put on the accent of your choice when sharing your phrase.



BACON: List all of the previous responses, in order, before making your own.



CHILI: The loser this round takes an extra card (the top double-sided card in the draw pile).



SOUR CREAM:

Decide on a word that must be included by all players in their phrases. The first player who forgets to include it loses the round.



SALT: Give 2 responses instead of 1.



BUTTER: The player who laughs first loses the round.



FRIED ONIONS:

Your response must be one word only.



CHIVES:

Sing your response.



BLACK PEPPER:

You must throw the potato to the player to your left.

Consider yourself a super spud slinger?
For a real flavor sensation, add multiple toppings per turn
OR play with the same topping(s) throughout the game.