



# BUFFALO

[buhf-uh-loh] *verb*  
to outwit, puzzle, or baffle

Buffalo is a fast-paced name dropping game in which you and your friends race to name real people or fictional characters that match the Word Cards dealt. When you match cards, you claim them, and the player with the most cards when a game deck runs out is the winner!

## ***Starting the Game***

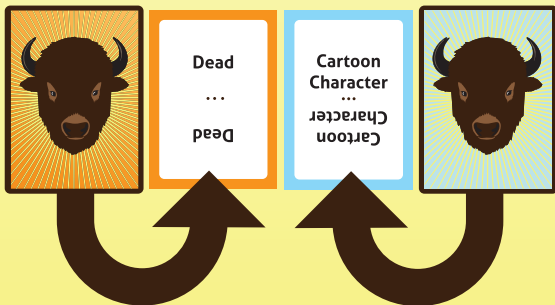
Select a number of cards to play with for your desired game length:

**20 minutes:** 50 Blue and 50 Orange cards

**90 minutes:** 200 Blue and 200 Orange cards

Or anywhere in between!

Shuffle the decks separately and flip one card from each face-up onto the table. Try to be the first player to make a match.



## ***Making Matches***

Race to make matches using two or more Word Cards. To make a match, simply shout out the name of a person or character who matches the descriptors on two or more cards. The first player to make a match takes the matched cards and play continues. Unmatched cards remain in play.



In this example, you could shout ***Elvis*** and take **Male**, **Dead**, and **Musician**. Or, you might match **Dead** and **Male** using ***Julius Caesar***. You could even match **Cartoon Character** and **Male** with ***Superman***.

**Each person or character can only be used to make a match once per game!**

## ***Adding More Cards***

Flip an extra card from each deck whenever the group is Buffaloed (stumped). This can happen for three reasons:

1. No one can think of a match.
2. There are no Word Cards on the table.
3. There is only one Word Card on the table.



## ***Buffalo Cards***

Whenever a Buffalo Card is in play, the first player to make a match with two or more cards takes all the face-up cards (including the Buffalo Card and any unmatched cards). It's a "winner take all" card!

## ***Ending the Game***

When either game decks runs out, or the players run out of time, the player with the most cards earned from matches is the winner!

## ***Ties***

If two players shout out a name at the same time, the player who names a real-life person wins. If both players name a fictional character, or if both name a real-life person, they split the cards.

## ***Optional Challenge***

When a Buffalo Card is on the table and there are four or more total cards, a player may match parts of the set and take those cards. However, to get the Buffalo Card, a player must match ***all*** of the Word Cards on the table.

## **Contents:**

189 Blue Word Cards

11 Blue Buffalo Cards

189 Orange Word Cards

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Instructions

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