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Card game for 3 to 6 Players

DEALING

Cut Cards to ascertain Dealer (using Bridge jargon with 4 Players, say **South** cuts low Card).
 Starting left, **South** deals 8 Cards to each Player. Bid, Play, and Scoring proceed for Round.
 Next Round, new Dealer to left, **West** deals 7, then **North** 6, and so on: 5,4,5,6,7,8. (848)

WHAT'S A TRICK?

A TRICK is the Winner's stacked Cards from that Hand, one Card from each Player.

HOW TO WIN A TRICK, WIN THE HAND (even if not wanting to)

Player to left of Dealer, the Leader, leads any Card, establishing Winning SUIT for the Hand.
 Other Players in turn have to play a Card that matches that SUIT, if possessing such a SUIT.
 If Player does not possess such a SUIT, Player may toss any Card, an albeit Losing Card.
 Highest Card of Leader's SUIT Wins the Hand, Wins the TRICK.

Winner of TRICK stacks Winning Cards, arranges TRICK face-down, crosswise for easy counting.
 Winner of TRICK leads any Card, and next Winning SUIT. (Watch Winner's 2-of-Spades Win!)

BIDDING

Having drawn low card, **South** deals 8 and **West** has first Bid, then **North**, **East**, back to **South**.
 As Leader, **West** Bids first on available TRICKS (8 Cards each: 8 TRICKS -- 4 Cards: 4 TRICKS).
 The **West** Bid is recorded, and then **North** Bid is recorded, then **East** Bid.
 The Dealer, in this Round the **South**, cannot Bid such that Bid-Total equals available TRICKS.
 Say **West** Bids 2, **North** Bids 4, **East** Bids 0, then **South** can Bid anything but 2 (2+4+0+2=8). **South** Bids 1.

SCORING

Conceptual Scoreboard

TRICKS Bid exactly
 At Round's end, "Get it exactly?"
Yes scores 10 times Bid
No scores minus Bid
Zero is scored same as One
 Get Zero? Ten points
 Did not? Minus One

West	North	East	South	TRICKS
2	4	0	1	8
No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	40		10	
-2		10		
-2	40	10	10	7

Actual Scoreboard

Scorekeeper asks, "Yes or No?"
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West	North	East	South	TRICKS
2 ("No")	4 ("Yes")	0 ("Yes")	1 ("Yes")	8
-2	40	10	10	
1 ("Yes")	4 ("No")	1 ("No")	2 ("Yes")	7
8	36	9	30	

West last dealt 7, **North** then deals 6, **East** 5, **South** 4, **West** 5 ...on back up to **South's** final 8.