

WHAT ARE THE ODDS?

SPLIT DECISION

© 2025 David Mair

2 to 8+ 15 to 20 8 and up



To start, get your group together.



Give each player a score sheet and a pencil.

What are the Odds?

| Round | Circle your answer | | | Score |
|-------|--------------------|---|---|----------------------|
| 1 | A | B | C | <input type="text"/> |
| 2 | A | B | C | <input type="text"/> |
| 3 | A | B | C | <input type="text"/> |
| 4 | A | B | C | <input type="text"/> |
| 5 | A | B | C | <input type="text"/> |
| 6 | A | B | C | <input type="text"/> |
| 7 | A | B | C | <input type="text"/> |
| 8 | A | B | C | <input type="text"/> |
| 9 | A | B | C | <input type="text"/> |
| 10 | A | B | C | <input type="text"/> |
| 11 | A | B | C | <input type="text"/> |
| 12 | A | B | C | <input type="text"/> |
| Total | | | | <input type="text"/> |

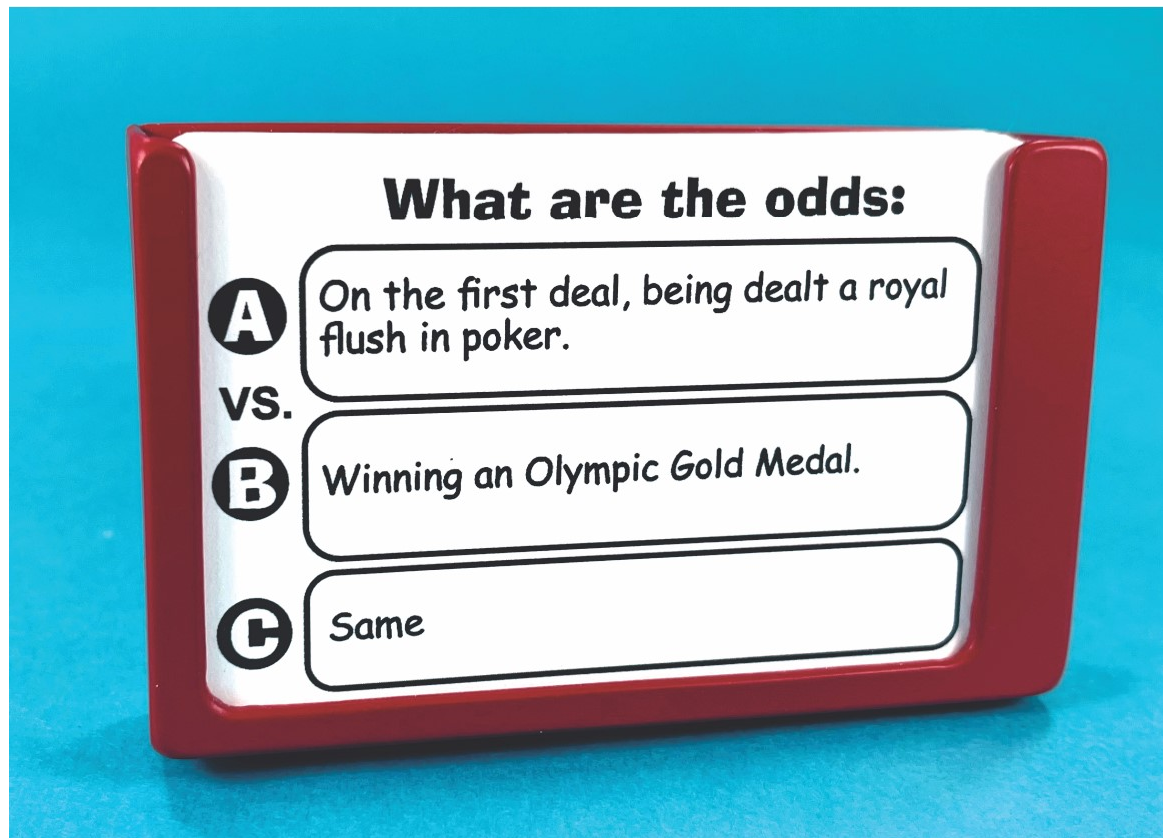
© 2025 David Mair



Shuffle the deck of *What are the Odds?* cards. With the cards face down, count out 36 cards. Take the card holder, and with the open side down, slide the 36 cards into the holder.



A player is chosen to read the first card to the group. The players must decide which event is **MOST LIKELY TO OCCUR**, A vs. B. They can choose C if they think the odds of both happening are the same. **NOTE:** The card holder can be passed around to the other players if they wish to read the card for themselves. What do you think the answer is?



The players all circle their guesses on their score sheets.



The card is pulled out of the holder, and the answer is announced. The odds of each happening appear just below the answer on the card.

What are the odds:

A On the first deal, being dealt a royal flush in poker.

VS.

B Winning an Olympic Gold Medal.

C Same

Answer **A**

1 in 662,000 1 in 649,740

The answer

The odds

A score of either 1 or 0 is entered for the round depending on whether the player answered correctly or not.

What are the Odds?

| Round | Circle your answer | | | Score |
|-------|--------------------|----------|---|-------|
| 1 | A | B | C | 0 |
| 2 | A | B | C | |
| 3 | A | B | C | |
| 4 | A | B | C | |
| 5 | A | B | C | |

A zero is entered because the answer was A.

The card is slid into the back of the cardholder. This will keep a forward pressure on the deck that will ensure the answers on the cards will not be revealed ahead of time.



Play continues for 12 rounds as the players read the card, circle their guess, and score their answer. The score for each player is totaled, and the player with the highest score wins the game.

What are the Odds?

| Round | Circle your answer | | | Score |
|-------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 | A | <input checked="" type="radio"/> B | C | <input checked="" type="radio"/> 0 |
| 2 | <input checked="" type="radio"/> A | B | C | <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 |
| 3 | A | B | <input checked="" type="radio"/> C | <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 |
| 4 | A | <input checked="" type="radio"/> B | C | <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 |
| 5 | A | <input checked="" type="radio"/> B | C | <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 |
| 6 | <input checked="" type="radio"/> A | B | C | <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 |
| 7 | A | <input checked="" type="radio"/> B | C | <input type="radio"/> 0 |
| 8 | A | <input checked="" type="radio"/> B | C | <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 |
| 9 | <input checked="" type="radio"/> A | B | C | <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 |
| 10 | A | B | <input checked="" type="radio"/> C | <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 |
| 11 | A | <input checked="" type="radio"/> B | C | <input type="radio"/> 0 |
| 12 | A | <input checked="" type="radio"/> B | C | <input type="radio"/> 0 |
| Total | | | | <input checked="" type="radio"/> 9 |

© 2025 David Mair





What are the odds:

A Getting stopped by the TSA for having a large crotch bulge.

VS.

B Being born with one eye.

C Same

ADULT

Answer **B**
1 in 250,000
1 in 100,000

What are the odds:

A On the first deal, being dealt a royal flush in poker.

VS.

B Winning an Olympic Gold Medal.

C Same

What are the Odds?

| Round | Circle your answer: | | | Score |
|-------------------|---------------------|---|---|-------|
| 1 | A | B | C | |
| 2 | A | B | C | |
| 3 | A | B | C | |
| 4 | A | B | C | |
| 5 | A | B | C | |
| 6 | A | B | C | |
| 7 | A | B | C | |
| 8 | A | B | C | |
| 9 | A | B | C | |
| 10 | A | B | C | |
| 11 | A | B | C | |
| 12 | A | B | C | |
| © 2025 David Mair | | | | Total |