

Bake the Cake!

for 3-6 players (playing time 45 min)

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Game Components

4 mats; store, table, cakes x 2

6 cards; recipes

116 chits; 108 ingredients, 8 tools, 6 cups

36 pawns; assistants

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INGREDIENTS

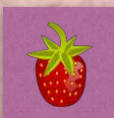
Let's bake a cake! It's very easy, just follow my instructions carefully. Start by familiarizing yourself with the facilities. There is a store, in which you see 3 shelves with 9 ingredients. There is also a table with 9 plates where you can place the ingredients from the store. There is 1 cake tray for each baker. Finally there are 4 kind of tools and 6 recipes in the kitchen.

You may use any of the kitchen tools but there are not enough for everybody so you have to share. Take 1 bench, 1 fridge, 1 mixer and 1 stove. Draw additional tools randomly until you have 1 more tool than the number of bakers. Remove the rest. Now you are ready to select a color. Take the 6 assistants of your color and place all the ingredients of your color in the store.

Start with the youngest baker and take turns to bake. You may do 2 things each turn. The 1st thing you may do is to buy 1 ingredient of any color from the store and place it on the table. Make sure to only use the plate intended for that ingredient and only place 1 ingredient on 1 plate. We don't want to mix ingredients or let them go bad.



Purple buys 1 berry and moves it from store to table



Butter



Flour



Vanilla



Almonds



Berries



Cream



Chocolate



Egg



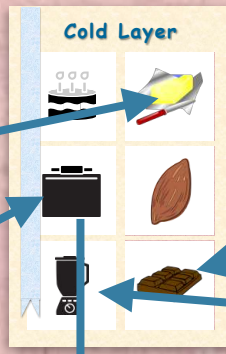
Sugar



Do you have the ingredients you need? Then the 2nd thing you may do is to take any of the 6 recipes. There are recipes for layers, fillings and toppings. Each one tells you which 3 ingredients you need and which 2 kitchen tools to use. Move 1 of the ingredients from the table and 1 of the kitchen tools to the recipe together with 1 of your assistants. You may not move ingredients or kitchen tools already on the recipe. If there are no ingredients on the table or if the kitchen tools are in use by someone else, wait until they are free and do something else instead.

You may also help another baker by moving 1 ingredient to their recipe. Only remember to always move 1 kitchen tool (different from the one currently on the recipe) and 1 of your assistants as well. Don't forget to return the kitchen tool currently on the recipe so that others may use it.

Red moves her assistant, 1 green butter and 1 bench



Blue moves her assistant, 1 blue chocolate ASSISTANT and 1 mixer AND returns the bench



KITCHEN TOOLS

Bench



Fridge



Mixer



Stove



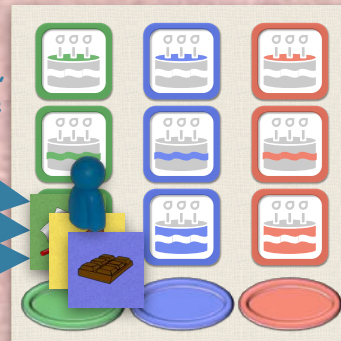
Does your recipe have 3 ingredients yet and is the kitchen tool not currently on the recipe free? Then the 3rd thing you may do is to move the completed layer, filling or topping to any cake. If you didn't complete any yourself, you may borrow from another baker. Only remember to move them in order: layer first, then filling and last topping. It get's so messy otherwise.

Also, move 1 assistant to the cake. Which one? Take an assistant of the color with most assistants on the recipe. If no color has more than another, take the assistant of the baker having the recipe. Return the other assistants to their bakers and the recipe and the kitchen tools to the kitchen so that others may use them.

Cold Lay



Green uses the mixer to move the cold layer to her cake. She moves the green, yellow and blue ingredients and the blue assistant.



Do you find the cakes tempting? Well, taste them! The 4th thing you may do is to eat 1 ingredient on the table or on a recipe (or, rather, place the ingredient in front of you). However, you may not eat an ingredient on a cake (that would make the baker sad, wouldn't it?) and you may only eat 1 of a kind (or you will get a stomach ache). Only remember that if you eat an ingredient from the recipe, you must also return the assistant to the baker. If you ate the last ingredient of the baker having the recipe, that baker must give the recipe to the next player in turn order with a baker on the recipe. If you ate the last ingredient on the recipe, return the recipe and the tool to the kitchen.



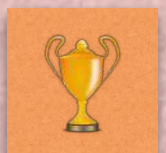
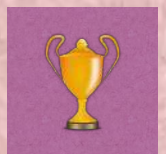
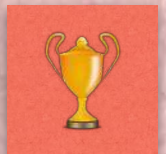
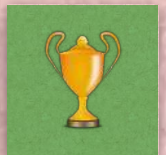
Orange eats the green butter. Red has the recipe but no baker left and gives the recipe to the next player in turn order, who is blue. If the blue chocolate is also eaten, the recipe is returned to the kitchen.

The 5th and last thing you may do, but I really hope that it doesn't come to this, is to throw away the cake you've made and return all the ingredients to the store and all the assistants to the bakers. Do this only if you can't do anything else. If you can't do even this, the game ends without the cakes being completed. Perhaps you ate too many ingredients? Well, in this case, the player who ate the LEAST ingredients win. But again, let's hope that it doesn't come to this and move on to the final part: the cake contest!

When 2 cakes have been completed; that is when 2 cakes have a layer, a filling and a topping; it's time to vote for the best cake. Each baker counts how many points they have on each cake. Ingredients score 1 point and assistants 3 points. The owner of the cake scores 5 points. Place your cup on the cake where you have the most points (if any). The cake with the most cups wins the cake contest and the baker with the most points on that cake wins the game. If both cakes have the same number of cups, count points for both cakes. In the event of a tie, the baker who ate the MOST ingredients win.

Congratulations!

CUPS



- The green cake is completed!
- Green scores 7 points (5 for the cake and 2 for the ingredients)
 - Blue scores 6 points (3 for the baker and 3 for the ingredients)
 - Red scores 5 points (3 for the baker and 2 for the ingredients)
 - Yellow scores 5 points (3 for the baker and 2 for the ingredients)

