



Shut the Box Game Rules

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Equipment: Shut the Box Game Board, One pair of dice

To Begin the Game:

At the start of the game all levers or tiles are "open" (up position), showing the numerals 1 to 12 (or 1 to 9 depending on the version of the game you have). Select a player to go first by rolling dice, the person rolling the lowest number goes first.

Game Play

During the game, each player plays in turn. A player begins the turn by rolling the die or dice into the box. If the sum of the remaining tile(s) is 6 or lower, the player may roll only one die. Otherwise, the player must roll both dice.

After throwing, the player adds up the pips (dots) on the dice and then "shuts" (closes, covers) one of any combination of open numbers that equals the total number of dots showing on the dice. For example, if a player rolls an 8, the player may choose any of the following sets of numbers (as long as all of the numbers in the set are available to be covered):

- 8
- 7, 1
- 6, 2
- 5, 3
- 5, 2, 1
- 4, 3, 1

The player then rolls the dice again, aiming to shut more numbers. The player continues throwing the dice and shutting numbers until reaching a point at which, given the results produced by the dice, the player cannot shut any more numbers. At that point, the player scores the sum of the numbers that are still uncovered. For example, if the numbers 2, 3, and 5 are still open when the player throws a one, the player's score is 10 ($2 + 3 + 5 = 10$). Play then passes to the next player.

After every player has taken a turn, the player with the lowest score wins.

If a player succeeds in closing all of the numbers, he or she is said to have "Shut the Box" – the player wins immediately, and the game is over.

These are the basic rules. We encourage you to research the game online for strategy, tips and rule variations. Most importantly, **HAVE FUN!**