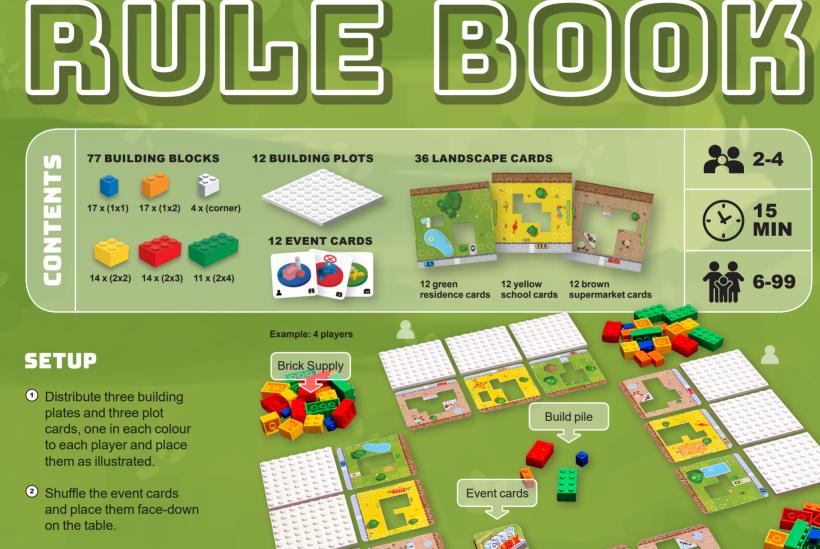


## **CALLING ALL MASTER BUILDERS!**

You're in competition to build an entire city block using three prefabricated landscape cards: a house, a school, and a supermarket. The first player to place their building blocks correctly on all three plots and fit the corresponding landscape cards on top wins! But watch out for the event cards – in the building business you never know what happens next.





Place all the building blocks in a pile within easy reach of all players (or pour them into the lid of the box).

# HOW TO PLAY

## **1** PICK YOUR BUILDING BLOCK

The building of plots takes place in rounds. Each round begins with one player selecting the building blocks that are to be used for building in that round. The youngest player starts.

Select 3 or 4 different building blocks from the box lid and place them on the table. This is the build pile.

#### **BUILD PILE**

**2- or 4-player game**, select **four** different building blocks for the build pile.

**3-player game**, select **three** different building blocks for the build pile.



You now take turns picking a building block from the build pile and placing it on one of your building plates. The player who selected the build pile gets to pick the first building block. Then the next player picks the second building block, and so forth, until all players have had a chance to select one brick. If there are only two players, each player selects two building blocks. The first player picks the first and third, the second player picks the second and fourth.

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If you cannot (or do not want to) use one of the building blocks available in the pile, you return one building block to the brick supply and hope for a better selection of blocks in the next round.

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**NOW A NEW ROUND CAN BEGIN**. Moving in a clockwise direction, the next player will select the new build pile and will pick the first block.

## **2** PLACE YOUR BUILDING BLOCK

The building blocks should be placed on the building plates so they match the cut-out shapes on each landscape card. Once you have placed a building block on a plot, the block can no longer be moved to another position. If you discover that a building block (or blocks) has been placed in the wrong position, you may move the block (or blocks) to a different position in the next round instead of picking a new building block. Or you may return the building block to the brick supply. The same rule applies if a you discover that a building block on your plot is the wrong size.



#### THE CARDS

Each of the three landscape cards requires a different number of building blocks to complete. The house cards require a minimum of two building blocks to complete, the school cards require a minimum of three building blocks, and the supermarket cards require a minimum of four building blocks. You may be able to complete your plots with fewer blocks – if you find a clever use for the white corner blocks or build in multiple levels. But watch out, both can upset your building strategy, too!

## HELP

**PLAYERS AGED 8 OR YOUNGER** are allowed to place their landscape cards on top of their plots at the end of each turn, after they have placed a building block on the plot. The landscape card must be returned to the table before a new round begins.

## **3** PLACE THE LANDSCAPE CARD

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When you believe that all of your building blocks have been correctly placed on the plot to complete a landscape card, you may take the landscape and place it on the building(s) to see if it matches.

If the landscape card fits and all of the cut-out areas are filled with building blocks when viewed from above, the plot is complete.

If the card does not fit the plot, or if one or more building blocks are missing, return the card to its original position and return one building block to the brick supply as a penalty.

## **4** PICK AN EVENT CARD

When you have completed a plot and all other players have placed their building blocks on a plot, you may draw an event card and follow the action described in the table. If you gain an extra building block or lose a building block, you must carry out that action immediately, before beginning a new round. NOTE: the actions described on the event cards apply only to plots that have not yet been completed. Completed plots are not affected.

## AND THE WINNER IS ...

The game is won by the first player to correctly place all three landscape cards on their completed plots. But remember, you still need to draw an event card after you have completed your last plot. If multiple players complete their last plot in the same round, the actions of the event cards are carried out in the same order as players picked their building blocks this round.

Once the winner has been determined, the remaining players continue the game to determine  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{rd}$  place.

## **CARDS & ACTIONS**



WATER LEAKAGE Return one of your building blocks to the brick supply.



FAULTY CONSTRUCTION Each player must return one yellow 2x2 building block to the brick supply (if applicable).



DOUBLE UP Give this card to another player so he or she may select an extra building block from the brick supply in the next round.



RECYCLE Exchange any green or red building block for three smaller blocks of different colours. Place the new bricks on any available plots. Pass this card to another player if it doesn't apply to you.

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**LUNCH BREAK** Give this card to any player to cause them to miss the next round.



EXCHANGE BUILDING BLOCKS Exchange one building block of your choice with the building block of another player.



THUNDERSTORM Give this card to a player who must return one building block to the brick supply.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY Treat yourself to an extra building block from the brick supply and place it on any of your plots.

The event applies

to another player

Gain one

building block



HURRICANE All players return one building block to the brick supply.



ADDITIONAL GRANT Each player receives one building block of their choice from the brick supply.



DONATION Give this card to a player who may pick one additional building block from the brick supply.



BUILDING APPROVED Select one additional building block from the brick supply and place it on any available plot.

The event applies

to all players

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Loose one building block



**WRONG.** The landscape card fits perfectly onto the plot but the cut-out shape is not completely filled.

CORRECT. The card

WRONG. The cut-out

shapes are filled but the landscape card does not fit

directly on top of the plot.

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## TAKING IT TO THE NEXT LEVEL ...

You can increase the level of difficulty of the game by applying these additional rules.

### **LEVEL 2**

#### **LEVEL 1B**

Select a different trio of landscape cards at the beginning of the game. For example, choose one school card and two mall cards, but no residence card to make the game more challenging.

Should you run out of one building block size during play, you can return the building blocks from a completed plot. Then turn the building plot upside down to indicate that it has been completed.

### **LEVEL 2 – BUILDING IN TWO LEVELS**

In this version of the game, you are required to build in two levels. A minimum of one building block must be placed on the 2<sup>nd</sup> level, and one white knob must be left exposed on the 1<sup>st</sup> level.

When the landscape card is placed on top of the completed building, the white knob must be visible when viewed from the side and covered by one of the building blocks on level 2 when viewed from above.

When you have completed a plot, remove the landscape card, return the building blocks to brick supply, and turn your building plate upside down. The first player to turn all three building plates upside down wins the game.

#### LEVEL 2B - BUILDING IN TWO LEVELS (ADVANCED)

In this version of the game, you are required to build in two levels. A minimum of one building block must be placed on the 2<sup>nd</sup> level while one white knob must be exposed on the 1<sup>st</sup> level of the house plot, two white knobs must be exposed on the 1<sup>st</sup> level on the school plot, and three white knobs on the mall plot.

When the landscape card is placed on the completed plot, the knob(s) must be visible when viewed from the side, and covered by one of the building blocks on level 2 when viewed from above.

The white knobs on the school and mall plots are not required to be visible from the same angle. One knob may be visible from one side, with one or two knobs visible from another angle. As long as no knobs are exposed when viewed from above, the plot can be considered complete.



**LEVEL 2B** 



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