Standard Rules



Introduction

Space Opera is a game of galactic politics for 2 to 4 players. Each player assumes the role of a different power bloc striving to come out on top of the new galactic order.

Background

Recently, in a near-by galaxy, the Empress Kalestra died unexpectedly at the age of 167. By the traditional rules of succession, her son, Prince Kalban, *should* have been made emperor. But no one much cared for Kalban; the galaxy was ready for change.

Six major power blocs controlled the civil, political, and religious life of the empire; the royal family, the Imperial Navy, the Senate, the One Church, the Free Worlds Movement, and the People's Forum. Each bloc believed the galaxy would be better off under its sole authority.

A "Great Referendum" was proposed where the government of each planet would vote for the power bloc of its choice. After several years of political wrangling and a few thrilling space battles the referendum was held and it yielded a clear favorite.

Naturally the losers were unhappy with this result and 200-odd years of bloody civil war ensued. But through it all the Referendum's winner was able to claim a degree of legitimacy and eventually came to rule, and continues to rule, to this day.

Space Opera is a re-creation of this pre-civil war era and its key planets and personalities.

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Definitions

Power Blocs

The 6 power blocs are;

- 1. The One Church
- 2. The Imperial Navy
- 3. The People's Forum (PF)
- 4. The Royal Family
- 5. The Senate
- 6. The Free Worlds Movement (FWM)

The One Church: The Church's mission is to shepherd the people of the galaxy toward a higher moral plane. Church

leaders feel an absolute theocracy would be the ideal environment for this to take place.

The Imperial Navy: The men and women of the Navy wish only to bring law and order to a chaotic galaxy (whether the galaxy wants it or not.)

The People's Forum (PF): The PF has the radical and much maligned idea that everyone should be represented

equally in planetary and galactic government.

The Royal Family: The traditional, dynastic rulers of the galaxy who want to keep it that way.



The Senate: Once a representative body, the Senate now represents only its own interests and those of its wealthy friends.



wealthy friends. **The Free Worlds Movement (FWM):** The FWM believes each planet should

be left to pursue its own culture and destiny, free from meddling, galaxy-wide institutions (see all of the above.)

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Future Expansion

The standard game is played with Church, PF, Royal, and Senate citizens. An expansion for *Space Opera* is planned that will include FWM and Navy citizens as well as military units and combat. For now, please ignore references to military units or actions.

The Galaxy

The galaxy is divided into 5 sectors;

- 1. Core Worlds
- 2. Perseus Arm
- 3. Sagittarius Arm
- 4. Orloon Frontier
- 5. T'tan Border

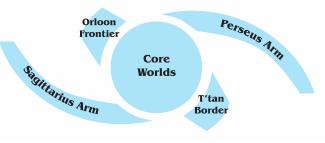
Core Worlds: The most populous sector of the galaxy contains the headquarters of the Royals, Navy, Church, and Senate.

Perseus Arm: The Perseus Arm is the birthplace of the Free Worlds Movement (FWM).

Sagittarius Arm: The People's Forum (PF) originated in the Sagittarius Arm.

Orloon Frontier: This sector borders a mysterious region of space dominated by the Orloon hyper-beings. Very little is known about the Orloon and their proximity can have strange effects on neighboring systems.

T'tan Border: This sector is near an area of space controlled by a militant, alien species called the T'tan. The T'tan are similar to the empire in physiology, technology, and temperament. So naturally they are hated by all.



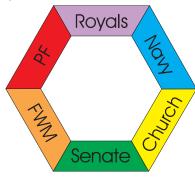
Galactic Map

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Alignment

The power bloc favored by a government or population is called its alignment. Some actions call for changing an alignment by 1 or more steps as shown on the Alignment Wheel.

For example, if you're changing a Royal government 1 step, you would change it to either PF or Navy.



Alignment Wheel

Skills

Each citizen has one or more of these skills;



Guile: The ability to employ subterfuge and trickery can come in handy for those not-entirely-legal activities.



Intelligence: Brains can help a citizen pull whole planets into the political fray.



Negotiation: A citizen can turn on the charm to recruit new friends or even an entire population for the cause.



Opportunity: Connections with those in places high and low are very useful.



Rank: The authority a citizen holds in his power bloc can open many doors.

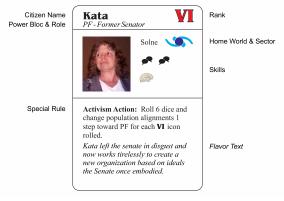


Wealth: Money talks and a citizen can use her wealth to help or hinder most actions.

Equipment

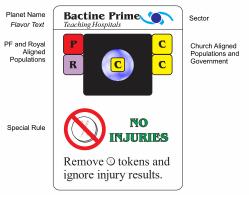
Cards

Citizen: Each citizen has a card listing his power bloc, rank, home planet, home sector, and skills. The text on the card describes the citizen's special characteristics and background.



Citizen Card

Planet: Each card shows the planet's name and sector. The box in the center of the planet's picture shows the starting alignment of its government. Each box to the sides represents roughly 1 billion inhabitants and that population's starting alignment. Unit silhouettes indicate military units that start on the planet—ignore these in the standard game. An asterisk after the planet's name means its home to 1 or more citizens.



Planet Card

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Adversity: A citizen may be required to draw an Adversity card when an action fails.

Opportunity: Each card represents a special opportunity your citizens may take advantage of. Everything about the opportunity is explained on the card.

Stations: The station cards define the location of the 5 sectors on your table top. See the illustration on the next page.

Citizen Figures

A citizen's figure indicates her location on the map. The icons at the bottom indicates what skills the citizen has, but not the degree. These icons are useful for locating helpers and hinderers when rolling dice. See page 9.

You'll need 24 game stands to standup your citizen figures. You can buy these from The Game Crafter or other game part stores.

Custom Dice

Space Opera is played with 6 custom dice. You can make your own Space Opera dice by



applying to blank dice the stickers found later in this PDF Or, if you don't mind spending a little money, you can buy a set of dice from The Game Crafter. Visit interformic.com for the link. And finally, you can roll regular dice and consult this table;

| Die Roll | Bloc | Skill | lcon |
|----------|--------|----------------|-------------------|
| 1 | Senate | Guile | |
| 2 | Church | Negotiation | ٩ |
| 3 | Navy | Intelligence | |
| 4 | Royal | Rank or Wealth | VI/ 📥 |
| 5 | FWM | Opportunity | |
| 6 | PF | Adversity | $\mathbf{\nabla}$ |

Custom Dice

Alignment Markers

Use the colored markers to keep track of the changes to the alignment of governments and population. Or better yet, use 8mm cubes.



8mm Cube Alignment Markers

Tokens



Activation: Flip a citizen's marker to "Done" after activation.



Clock: These represent rising political tension and are used to trigger the Great Referendum and end the game.



Injury: An injury token on a Citizen's card indicates he's been harmed physically and needs medical care.



Wealth: Wealth tokens are placed on a Citizen's card and may be used to modify die rolls.



Citizen Figure

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Getting Started

Setup Card Decks

Create Decks: Shuffle the Adversity and Opportunity cards and place them facedown in their own decks. Keep the Citizen and Planet cards faceup for now.

Place Stations: Place the 4 stations on the table as shown below.

Determine Power Blocs

Choose Leader: Create a deck consisting of only the 4 rank VI Citizen cards. Randomly deal 1 faceup to each player and *remove from the game* any remainders. Your leader determines the power bloc you control. For example, if you're dealt Gremelec you control The One Church.

Remaining Citizens: Take the 5 remaining citizen who belong to your power bloc and shuffle them facedown into a deck next to you. Then draw the top 2 and put them faceup in front of you.

Home Planets: Find each of your citizens' home planets and place that Planet's card faceup on the table in its sector. Place your citizen's token on his home planet.

No Home: If your citizen doesn't have a home planet, place her on the station of your choice.

Shuffle: Shuffle the unused planets facedown into 5 separate decks; one for each sector.

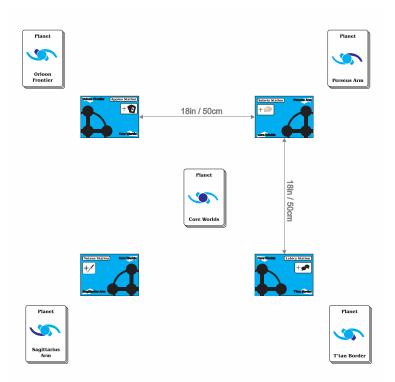
Deal Opportunity Cards

Six Cards: Deal 6 cards to each player.

Senate: The Senate player may discard as many cards as he likes and draw back up to 6 cards.

Setup Clock Pool

Place 3 clock tokens into a pool for each player. For example, for a 3 player game, place 9 tokens into the pool.



Station and Planet Card Placement

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How to Play

Game Turn

Space Opera is played in a series of game turns. Each game turn players take turns activating their citizens. After all citizens have been activated, remove 1 clock token from the pool. If you remove the last clock, or there are no more clocks to remove, the Great Referendum is triggered. Otherwise, start a new game turn.

Player Turn

On your turn, you may activate one of your citizens. You may activate a citizen only once per game turn. Indicate a citizen has been activated by flipping her activation token to "Done". Flip all activation tokens to "Ready" at the beginning of each game turn.

Activation

When activated, a citizen may perform **Done** 2 *different* actions. For example, a citizen could Travel and then Play Opportunity. He can't Play Opportunity twice in the same turn.

Ready

Wealth: When activated, if your citizen has fewer wealth tokens than her wealth skill, take tokens from the bank until the number is equal.

The Great Referendum

The game ends when the last clock token is drawn at the end of a game turn. Determine the winner as follows.

Count Governments: Take the *government* alignment markers from each planet and place them in a pile where everyone can see them. Discard all population alignment markers. No one cares what they think.

Victory: You win if your power bloc has the most government alignment markers. Ties are possible.

Actions

There are 6 actions your citizen may take. In addition, your citizen's card may list an action or actions only that citizen can take. In either case, a citizen may take 2 different actions each time he is activated.

General Actions

The 6 actions are;

- Activate Planet
- No Confidence
- Play Opportunity
- Recruit Population or Citizen
- Seek Opportunity
- Travel

Activate Planet

Activate a planet in your citizen's sector. If on a station, announce an adjacent sector you will activate a planet in.

Check: You may look through the planet cards before deciding to perform an Activate Planet action.

Intelligence Roll: Make an intelligence roll then draw from the sector deck a number of cards equal to the number of successes. See page 9.



Success: You must place 1 planet card on the table then shuffle the rest back into the deck.

Initial Alignments: Place alignment markers in the government and population boxes as indicated. If a box contains a **?**, you decide the alignment. If a box contains a die (\vdots), determine the alignment randomly. If the box contains a lock (\triangle), choose the same alignment for all \triangle boxes.

Military Units: Ignore the military unit silhouettes on the card.

Free Travel: Your citizen may immediately take a free Travel action to the newly activated planet.



No Confidence

With your encouragement, the local population rejects its current government and installs a new one.

Required: No population has the same alignment as the government.

Guile Roll: Make an guile roll looking for at least one success. See page 9.



Success: Replace the government's alignment with one of your choosing. However, at least 1 population must have the alignment chosen.

Clock: If no confidence succeeds, remove 1 clock token from the pool.



Play Opportunity

Take advantage of an opportunity.

Perform: Follow the instructions on the Opportunity card.



Discard: Pass or fail, discard the Opportunity card when you're finished.

Free Actions: Cards with a \ominus icon are free actions and don't count against the 2 action limit or repeated action restriction.

Modifiers: Cards with a **+** icon modify another action. Playing one these cards doesn't count as an action by itself.

Reactions: You may play cards with a \checkmark icon during another player's turn. This doesn't use an action.

Law: Opportunity cards with a law () icon may be made into law by a Senate Vote. See page 10.

Clock: If you play a card successfully, and it has one or more clock icons, remove that many clock tokens from the pool.



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Recruit Population or Citizen

Recruit to your cause either the local population or a new citizen.

Negotiation Roll: First declare whether you're recruiting the local population or a new citizen. Then make a negotiation roll. See page 9.



Population: You may change a *single* population's alignment 1 step for each success.

New Citizen: Draw from your Citizen deck cards equal to the number of successes. You must play 1 then shuffle the rest back into the deck. *Place the new citizen at the recruiting citizen's location.* The new citizen may be activated this turn. Don't activate the new citizen's home planet.

Power Bloc: You can recruit citizens only from your own power bloc. For example, a Church citizen may recruit only another Church citizen.

Once New Citizen Per Game Turn: You may successfully recruit only 1 new citizen per game turn.



Setup

Seek Opportunity

Use your connections to seek new opportunities.

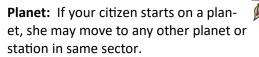
Opportunity Roll: Make an opportunity roll then draw from the Opportunity deck a number of cards equal to the number of successes. See page 9.



Hand Limit: After drawing, you must discard down to 6 cards. Note that cards are held by players, not citizens.

Travel

Move to another planet or station.

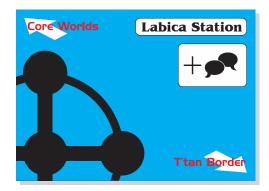


Station: If your citizen starts on a station, he may move to any planet in either, adjacent sector or to any other station.

Travelling Companions: Your citizen may take along any number of other citizens. This includes opposing citizens if you offer and they accept. Note that each turn a citizen may move multiple times as a companion but only once on her own.

Pass

Your citizen may pass on one or both of his actions. If passing both actions, your citizen may remove an injury token or take 1 wealth token or take 1 Opportunity card. Ignore hand limits at this time.



Labica Station With Negotiation (
 Bonus

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Location, Location, Location

Local: Unless otherwise specified, an action affects only the acting citizen's location. In addition, only citizens at that location may help or hinder the action. See page 9.

For example, a No Confidence action performed on Dunst affects only Dunst's government. Likewise, a Spy Opportunity can be played only if another player has a citizen at your spying citizen's location.

Planet: An action that affects or requires a government or population may be performed only on a planet.

For example, you can't perform a No Confidence action on Notana Station because the station has no government.

Station Bonus

An activated citizen on a station receives 1 extra icon in the skill shown on the station card. Even a citizen with no natural skill in this area receives the bonus.

For example, Chekart on Labica Station may perform a Recruit Citizen action with a level 1 negotiation (🖍) skill. Since he has no natural negotiation skill, Chekart cannot normally recruit.

Free Actions

Some Citizen, Planet, and Opportunity cards allow free actions. A free action doesn't count against the 2 action limit or repeated action restriction.

For example, a citizen may perform a generic Travel action and then play the Fast Transport Opportunity card to move a second time during the same activation.

Die Rolls

Most actions call for rolling a number of dice and looking for 1 or more target icons.

Planet Effects or Station Bonus: Take note of your citizen's location and apply any planet effects or station bonus. A station bonus benefits *only* the active citizen.

Number of Dice: Start with a number of dice equal to your citizen's skill level. If she doesn't have the target skill she can't make the roll.

For example, Kalban wants to recruit a population on Cristal. Since he has a negotiation (**P**) skill level of 2 he starts with 2 dice.

Help or Hinder: Each citizen present may add or subtract a single die if they also have the target skill. Helpers go first. At no point can the number of dice be increased to more than 6 or reduced to less than 1.

Continuing the example, Renard (Royal), Svelk (Church), and Trevin (Royal) are also on Cristal and want to help. Renard can't help because he has no reskill. But Svelk and Trevin have reskills so they each add 1 die bringing the total to 4. Then Xuan (PF), also on Cristal and also with reskill, hinders the action by reducing the number of dice to 3.

Roll: Roll the dice looking for target, guile (\checkmark), and wealth (\land) icons.

Guile Icons: Treat 🗡 icons as target icons.

Wealth Icons: Each citizen present may spend *one* wealth token to change a single die from the harrow icon to any other icon. Helpers go first. Sand can help or hinder from any location.

Continuing the example, Kalban rolls 3 dice and gets 1 / and 2 icons. The / icon counts as a ricon. Trevin spends 1 wealth token to convert 1 of the icons into a second ricon. He can only spend 1 wealth token per action so the other icon is left as it is. If Xuan had any wealth tokens, she could convert the remaining icon adversity (icon). But fortunately for Kalban, Xuan is broke. **Standard Rules**

Re-Roll: You may re-roll some (but not all) of the dice. First set aside all target, guile(\checkmark), and adversity (Λ) icons; these can't be re-rolled. If none of these icons came up, set aside any 1 die. Then re-roll the remaining dice, if any.

Adversity: If 1 or more \bigwedge icons come up on a re-roll, draw an Adversity card and follow its instructions. If it allows you to continue your action, you may stop now with what success you've achieved or re-roll again. Draw another Adversity card if you roll an \bigwedge icon on a subsequent re-roll.

Continuing the example, Kalban draws an Adversity card and gets "Wildlife". Fortunately for Kalban, Trevin is from Cristal and knows how to avoid the local fauna. The action is saved and no one is injured. Kalban may move the alignment of 1 population either 1 or 2 steps.

Rank Rolls: If you're looking for rank (VI) icons, dice can't be added or subtracted, wealth tokens can't be spent to change results, and you don't take Adversity cards. Rank rolls fail automatically if an \bigwedge icon is rolled on a re-roll.

Continuing the example, Kalban's second action is the special Bread & Circuses action on his Citizen card. Since it requires a VI roll, no one can add or subtract dice. He rolls 6 dice and gets 2 \bigwedge , 2 \bigotimes , and 2 \checkmark icons; a complete wash. He sets aside the \bigwedge icons and then re-rolls the remaining 4 dice. This time he gets 1 \bigwedge , 1 \checkmark , and 2 VI icons. The action fails automatically and he doesn't draw an Adversity card.

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Other Rules

Injury



An Adversity card may call for one of your citizens to be injured. Place an injury token on the citizen.

Second Injury: If a citizen with an injury token receives a second injury, remove her permanently from the game.

Actions: *Before* performing each action, an injured citizen must roll 6 dice and count the number of adversity icons;

0 – Remove the injury token and continue normally (it was only a flesh wound).

1 – Continue normally but keep the injury token.

2 – Skip this action. This doesn't count as part of a Pass.

3-4 – Shuffle your citizen into the deck to convalesce. You may recruit him during or after the next *game* turn.

5-6 – Remove your citizen permanently from the game.

Senate Vote

Enact Law Action

Wallak may attempt to pass a law based on an Opportunity card in hand. The card must have

a 🎾 icon.

Specify: Specify *exactly* how the card will be used. For example, if you propose *Diplomacy*, name the target planet and what type of government you want there.

Location: The target planet or citizen may be anywhere in the galaxy.

Vote: All senators in play except Wallack may vote regardless of their locations. Each senator's vote is equal to his rank.

Wallack Can't Vote: The Presiding Magistrate is not allowed to vote.

Influence: Any citizen with senate influence may also vote regardless of location. These are Anilay (3 votes), Hyrala (5 votes), and Zaria (4 votes).

Enalda: Each non-senator on Enalda may cast a number of votes equal to her negotiation skill plus 1 for each wealth token spent. Senators are greedy so there's no limit to the number of wealth tokens that may be spent.

Passed: Perform the action specified. If a die roll is required, roll all 6 dice *once*. The number of dice can't be changed, re-rolls aren't allowed, and wealth icons can't be converted.

Discard: Pass or fail, discard the Opportunity card used.

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Actions

Activate Planet 🧼

Roll dice equal to intelligence and draw Planet cards equal to icons rolled. Then place 1.

No Confidence $\swarrow \to \square - \bigcirc$

If the government's alignment doesn't match any population, roll dice equal to guile. If you roll a guile icon, change government's alignment to match any population's alignment and remove 1 clock token.

Play Opportunity

Follow the instructions on the Opportunity card.

Recruit Population or Citizen 📌

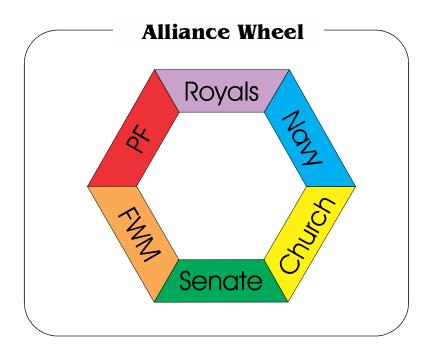
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Seek Opportunity 🐑

Roll dice equal to opportunity skill and take Opportunity cards equal to icons rolled. Then discard down to 6 cards.

Travel

Move acting citizen and any companions to a planet or station in the same sector.



Die Rolls

- Note any planet effect or station bonus.
- Roll dice equal to the target skill looking for the target icon.
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- For rank (**VI**) rolls, never add or subtract dice or play wealth tokens. An adversity icon on a re-roll causes failure instead of card draw.

Injured Citizen

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- Remove the injury token and continue the action normally.
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- **3-4** Remove the injury token and shuffle your citizen back into the deck.
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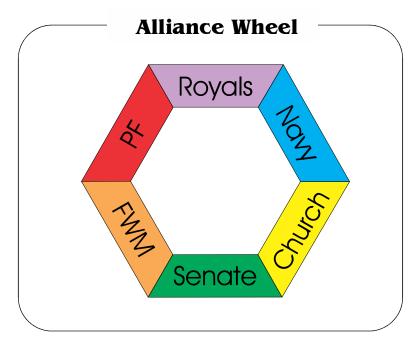
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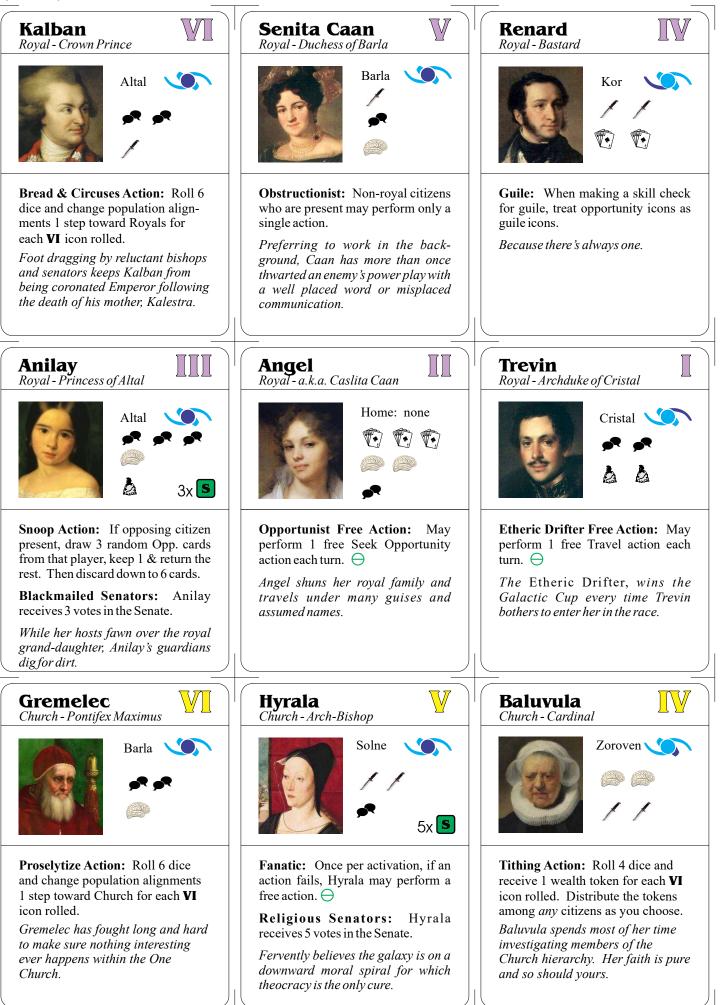


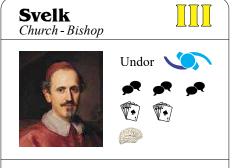
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| 3 | Navy | Intelligence | |
| 4 | Royal | Rank or Wealth | VI/ ዾ |
| 5 | FWM | Opportunity | |
| 6 | PF | Adversity | $\mathbf{\nabla}$ |

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Calming Effect: May block any action that requires guile.

Admired by all, Svelk is often called upon to bring disparate parties to the negotiating table.

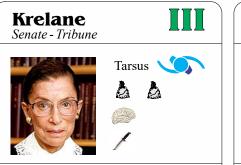




Enact Law Action: Choose an \checkmark Opportunity card from your hand to become law and call a Senate vote. See page 10.

No Senate Vote: The Presiding Magistrate is not allowed to vote.

Wallak was born to the Senate. It happened when his mother refused to miss a critical vote.



Veto: May cancel any law that passes by 3 or fewer votes.

Ties: Krelane must decide ties.

This position is appointed by the emperor to enforce the imperial will on the Senate. Of course, it doesn't always work out that way.

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Church - Brother



Moving Sermon Action: May change 1 population's alignment to Church.

Branded a heretic by his detractors, Father Kelling's unorthodox teachings have kept him from rising in the Church Hierarchy.



V

Madalla Senate - Senator for Life



Great Referendum Action: Call a Senate vote to add to or subtract from the pool 1 clock token. Tokens can't exceed the number at the start of the game. See page 10.

Unusual for a Senator, Madalla believes the Senate should fight society's ills rather than contribute to them.



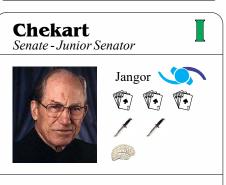
Provincial Support: If on a non-Core World, add to Vu's vote the number of Senate aligned population boxes at his location.

Free Travel Action: Immediately before a Senate vote, Vu may perform a free Travel action. \bigcirc



Activist Action: Roll 4 dice and change population alignments 1 step toward Senate for each **VI** icon rolled.

Populist Action: Roll 4 dice. If you roll a **VI** icon, and a majority or plurality of the population is Senate, change government to Senate.



Research Action: Roll 3 dice and take a number of \bigcirc Opportunity cards equal to the number of opportunity icons rolled. Discard non \bigcirc Opportunity cards as they're drawn.

Chekart works hard to impress the other senators.

Space Opera Citizen Cards - 3 of 3 - Print 1 Revision: 2021-JAN-02 Waal Zaria Kata PF - Former Marine PF - Holovid Diva PF - Former Senator Westafa Solne Mevtu VO 4x S Activism Action: Roll 6 dice and Populist Action: Roll 5 dice. If **Diverse Friends Action:** Take from the discards the first "Friend" change population alignments 1 you roll a **VI** icon, and a majority or plurality of the population is PF, Opportunity card. Then discard step toward PF for each **VI** icon rolled. change the government to PF. down to 6 cards. Famous: When Zaria succeeds at a Kata left the senate in disgust and Waal knows exactly what it takes to Recruit Citizen action, she can take now works tirelessly to create a motivate others using charm. any citizen from the deck. new organization based on ideals threats, manipulation, or a the Senate once embodied. combination of all three. Senator Fans: Zaria receives 4 votes in the Senate. Ahnad Sand Ahambra Xuan PF - Investigative Journalist PF - CEO Interocicorp PF - Spiritual Leader Itaria Kor River à Confidential Sources: When Well Connected: May spend Metaphysical Teachings Action: performing Seek Opportunity, Xuan wealth tokens as if he were present at Change a population's alignment to may draw from either the deck, the any location. one chosen at random. discards, or both. Sick of Imperial red tape, Sand Activate Planet: When Ahambra activates a planet, determine "?" believes interplanetary conglo-

merates such as his should have a

free hand. And it's pronounced

"Saand"!

Xuan's exposés of Church and Senate corruption have earned her the fear and respect of many.

No one knows how she does it, or why.

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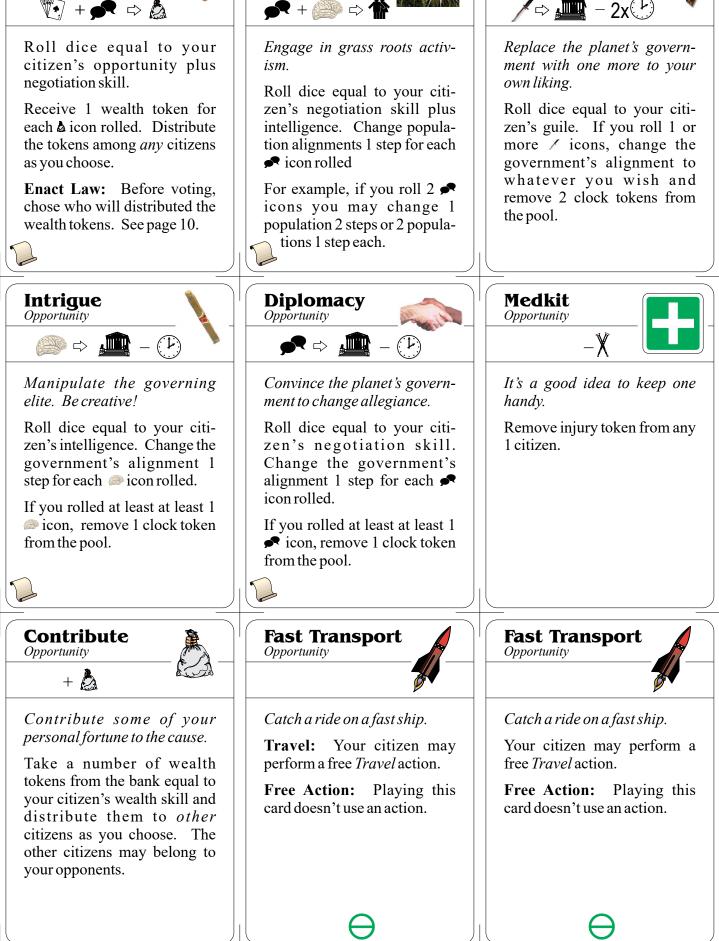


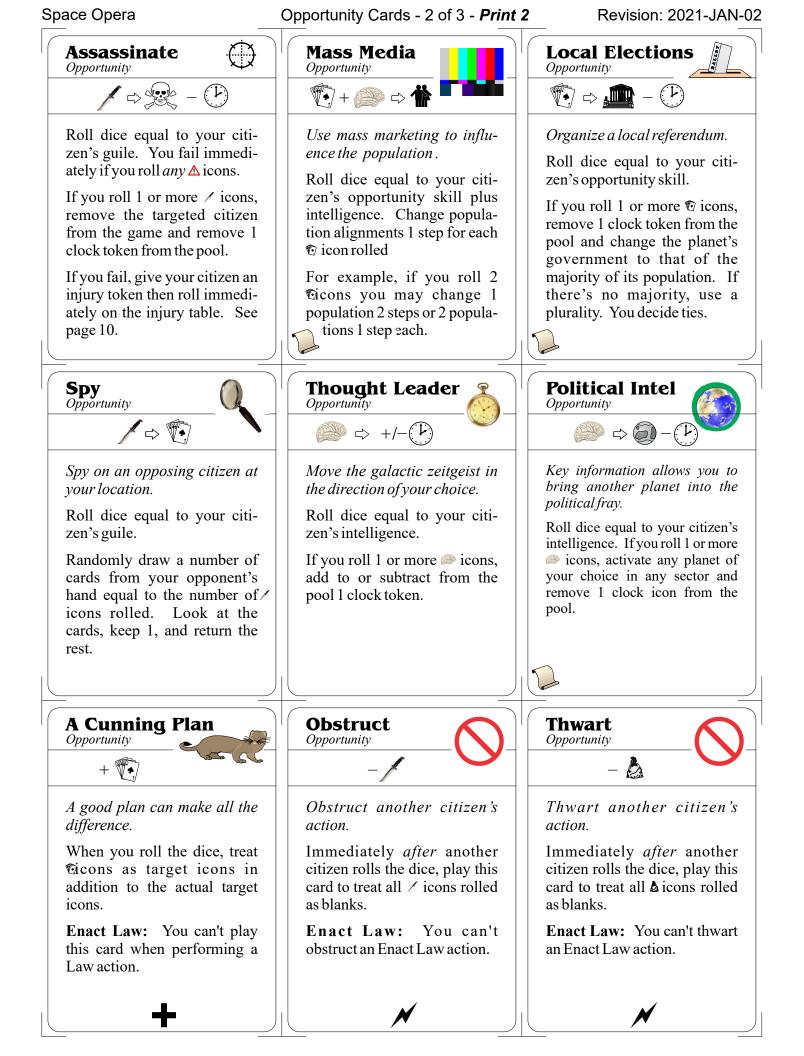
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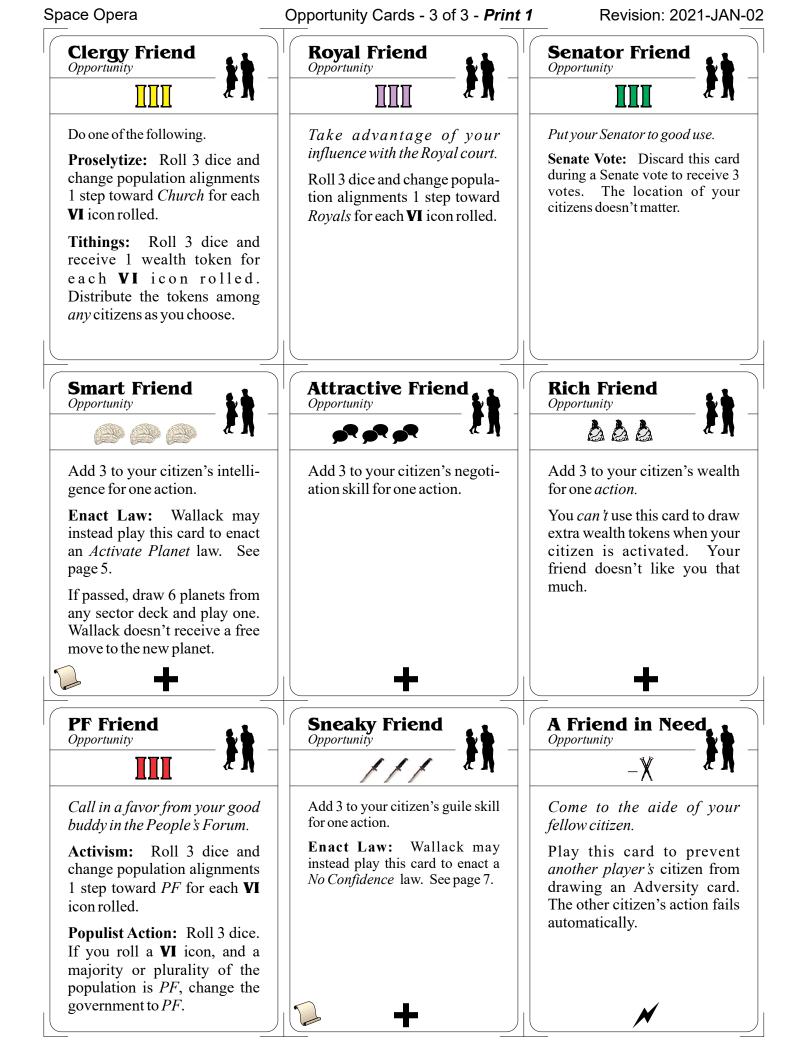
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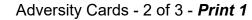
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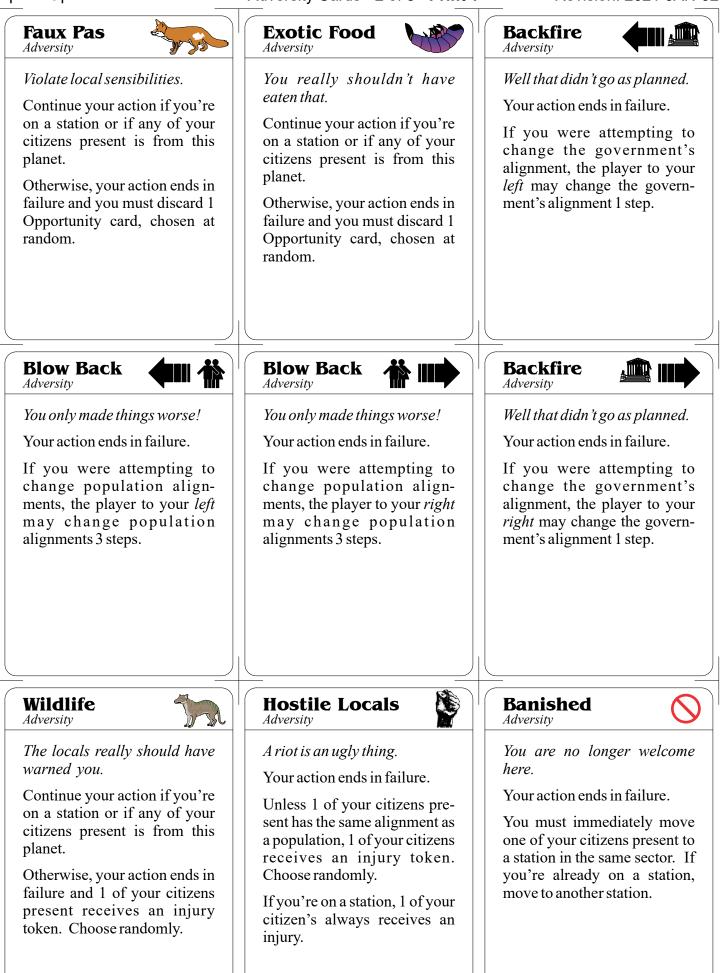


Opportunity Opportunity

| Red Shirt | Too Big to Fail V+ | Poison Pen Adversity |
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| Your friend steps in to take the fall. What a guy! We're sure going to miss him. Discard a "Friend" card to continue your action. Otherwise your action ends in failure. A "Friend" card is any card with this icon | It's good to be King. Continue your action if any of your citizens present have a rank of V or VI. Otherwise your action ends in failure. | Your opponents spread malicious stories about your activities. If an opposing citizen with a negotiation skill of 2 or higher is present, the opposing player may cause your action to fail. Otherwise, continue your action. |
| ConstabularyAdversityThe local constabulary comesto your aide. | Popular Support Adversity Local citizens lend a hand. | Silver Tongue |
| Continue your action if you're on a station or if any of your citizens present is from this planet. | Continue your action if any of your citizens present have the same alignment as the major- ity or plurality of the popula- tion. | Continue your action if any of your citizens present have a negotiation skill of 2 or higher. Otherwise your action ends in |
| Otherwise your action ends in failure. | Otherwise your action ends in failure. Your action always ends in failure if you're on a station. | failure. |
| High Roller | Plan B | Improvise // |
| You money's no good here. Continue your action if any of your citizens present have a wealth skill. | Always have an exit strategy. Continue your action if any of your citizens present have an intelligence skill of 2 or | It pays to be quick on your feet. Continue your action if any of your citizens present have an guile skill of 2 or higher. |
| Otherwise your action ends in failure. | higher. Otherwise your action ends in failure. | Otherwise your action ends in failure. |



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Continue your action if no one takes control of it.

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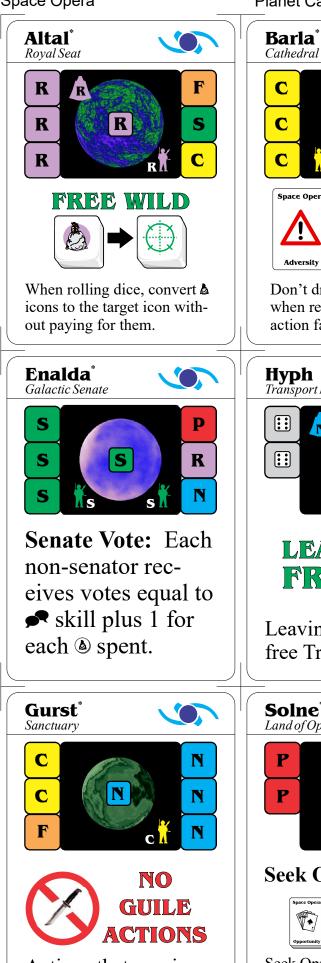
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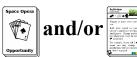
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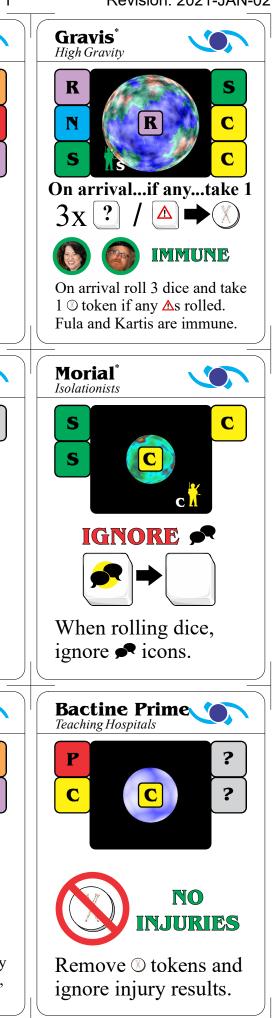
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Cathedral of the One Church F С P R **i**C С Space Opera AUTOMATIC Don't draw Adversity card when required. Instead, the action fails automatically. Transport Hub ? N ? LEAVE FREE Leaving Hyph is a free Travel action. **Solne**^{*} Land of Opportunity F R P **Seek Opportunity:**



Seek Opportunity Action may draw cards from the discards, starting from the top.

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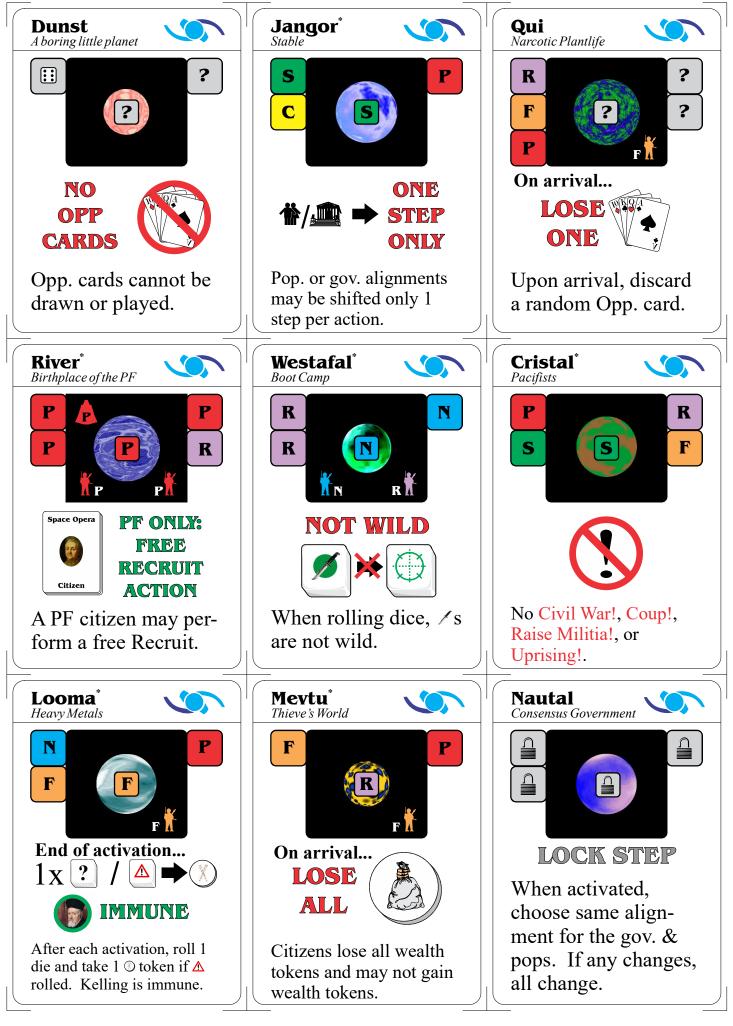
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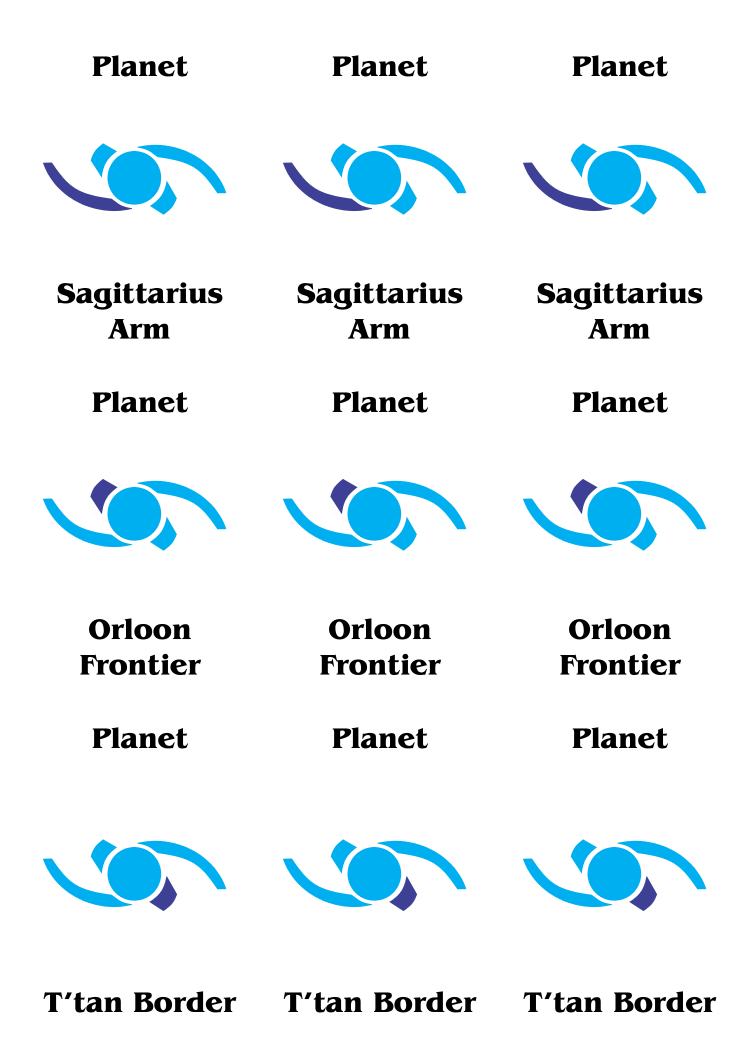
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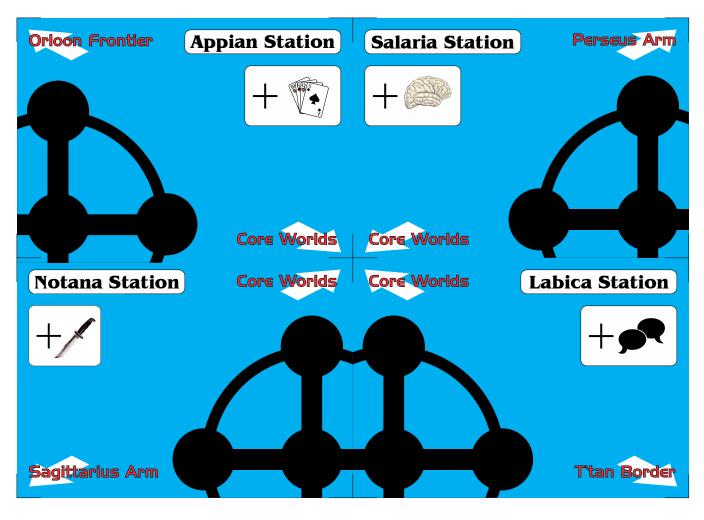
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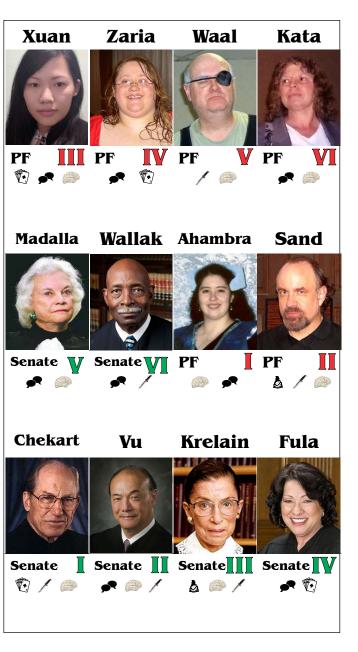
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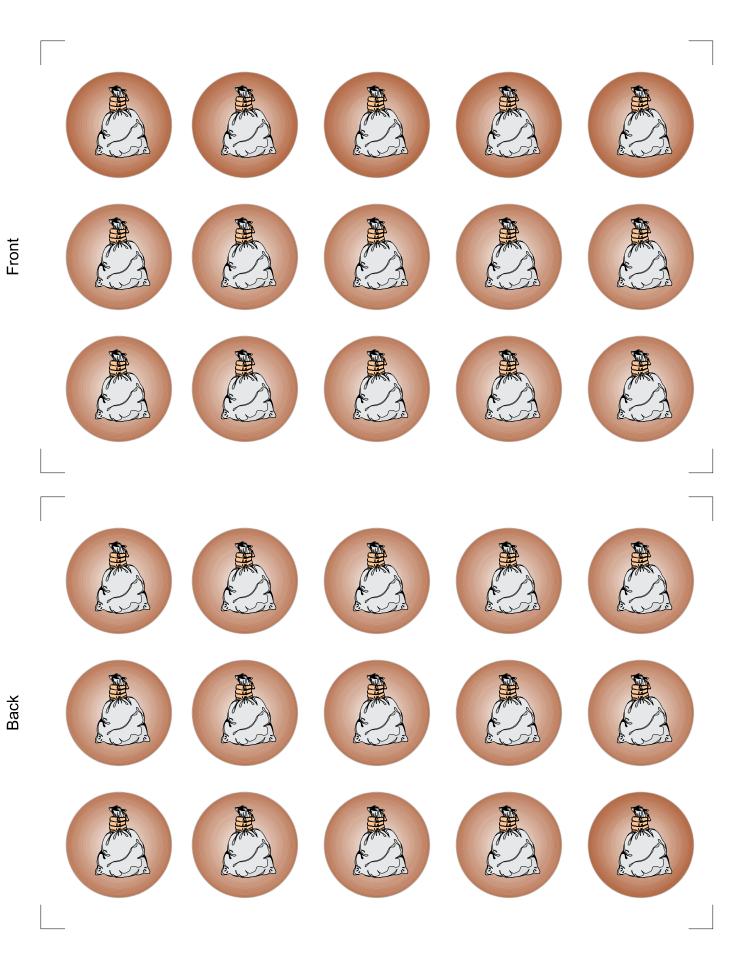
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