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FIVE IN A ROW SOLITAIRE

This solitaire is designed that with careful play, winning occurs about three-fourths of the time. Explain to the player that in a solitaire, they want to “beat the cards.”

If several players are available, they can play together, working to beat the cards.

Objective: To provide an interesting way of using the tens facts.

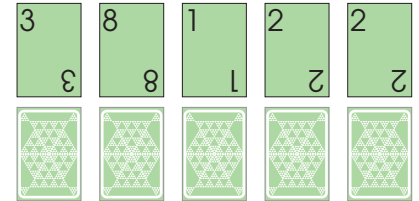
Cards: Four cards of each number from 1 to 9 (total of 36 cards).

Object of the game: To pair all the cards.

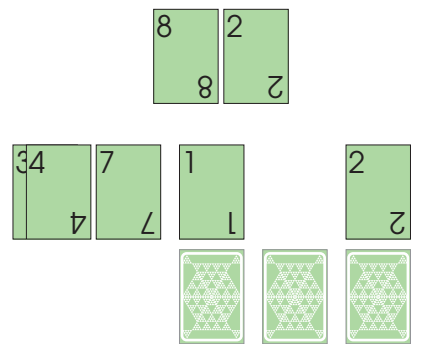
Layout: Lay five cards in a row face up. Directly below the row, lay another row of five cards face down.

Play: Look for pairs in the face up top row that makes 10. Pick up the pairs and place each card on one of two piles above the rows. Now start by turning over the left card in the second row and place it on the card or in an empty space directly above it. Look again for any pairs that equal 10 and remove them. Pairs cannot be formed with two cards from the same pile. New pairs may occur when the top cards are removed from the piles.

Continue by turning over the next card in the second row and moving it up to the first row. When the second row is empty, replenish it with cards from the stock.



Original layout.



After the first pair is found.