

BLOCKAIDTM

A strategy game for 2 players, ages 8 and up.

Playing time: approx. 30 minutes.

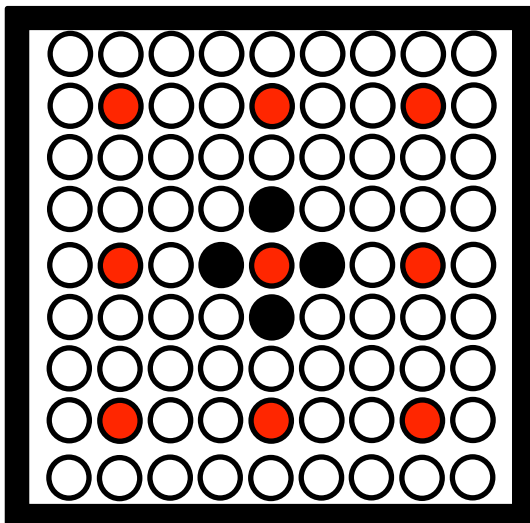
Contents:

- 1 wooden board
- 20 light colored balls
- 20 dark colored balls

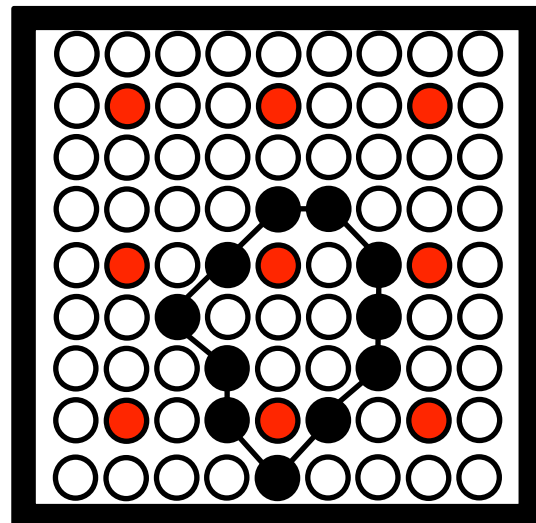
Object:

To be the first player to trap at least one of the red dots painted on the board using their pieces. The smallest possible trap involves surrounding a red dot at its four corners with pieces (see fig. 1).

A larger trap can involve a sequence of pieces surrounding one or more of the red dots. The pieces must form an uninterrupted chain- vertically, horizontally, and/or diagonally around the dots (fig. 2).



Sketch # 1



Sketch # 2

Setup:

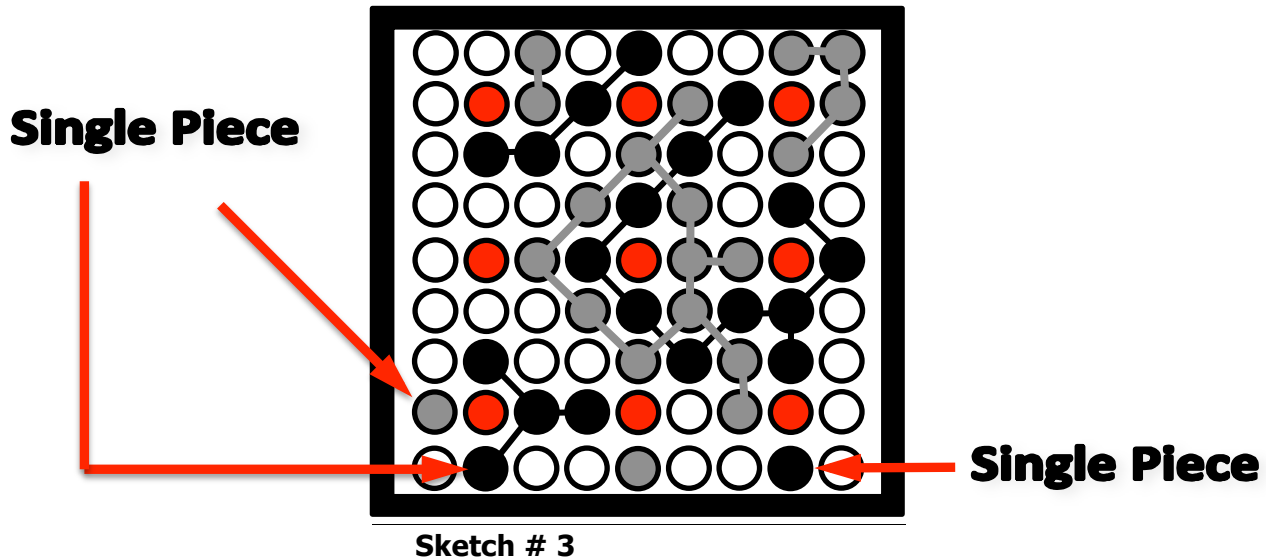
Players sit at opposite sides of the board. Each player picks a color (light or dark). Players decide who goes first.

Play:

This game has two phases- phase 1 involves placing the pieces onto the board. Phase 2 involves moving the pieces around on the board. Please note - the game can end during the first phase, without having to enter the second.

Phase 1 –

Players take turns placing their pieces onto the board, one piece at a time, while trying to trap at least one of the red dots. Once all of the pieces are placed on the board, any single pieces are removed. A single piece is a piece which isn't connected to another piece of the same color, either vertically, horizontally or diagonally (fig. 3). Single pieces, once removed, are out of the game.



Phase 2 –

Players take turns moving their pieces, one piece at a time, across the board. Pieces may be moved to any available space on the board, but they must never become single pieces- they must always connect to at least one other piece of the same color. In addition, a piece may not be moved if moving it leaves one of the player's pieces single.

Winning:

The winner is whoever succeeds in trapping one or more of the red dots.

A player wins even if there are opponent's pieces surrounded by the chain, in addition to the red dots.

Good luck!

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