

Disney LORCANA

TRADING CARD GAME

QUICK START RULES

As an Illumineer in the wondrous realm of Lorcana, you'll wield magical ink to summon new versions of Disney characters, items, and locations which are called glimmers. These glimmers—some familiar, some fantastic—will help you as you race across Lorcana to find and collect missing pieces of lore. Endless quests await!



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What Kind of Game is This?

The *Disney Lorcana* Trading Card Game is a strategy card game where each player makes their own deck before the game starts, and the decks aren't mixed together. You can play with one of the available ready-to-play decks, make changes to one of those decks, or build a deck that's entirely your own!

In a game like this, cards can allow you to do things that aren't normally a part of every turn. If a card's text ever contradicts the game rules, follow what the card says.

GAME OVERVIEW

About the Game

In this game, you race to locate pieces of lore scattered across Lorcana and collect them for safekeeping. Summon glimmers of Disney characters, items, and locations along the way to help with quests, hinder your opponents, and challenge opposing characters. With the right strategy and a bit of luck, you can preserve your collected lore against future threats!

Learn to Play

There are several ways to learn to play! The best—and most fun—way to learn is to have a friend teach you. You can also ask about events at a game store near you and download the *Disney Lorcana* Trading Card Game Companion app for an interactive tutorial.



Winning

Your goal is to be the first player to gain 20 or more lore. Some card abilities give you lore, but the most common way to gain it is by playing characters and sending them on quests.

THE CARDS

Your *Disney Lorcana* TCG deck can have a mix of four types of cards: characters, items, actions, and locations.

Characters

You'll send character glimmers on quests and into challenges. Some have special abilities.



Items

Item glimmers stay in play when you play them and give you special abilities during the game.



Actions

Actions give you a one-time advantage and are then discarded.



Songs

Songs are a special type of action that offer a different way to play them—without paying ink!



Locations

Location glimmers stay in play when you play them. Some give you special abilities during the game, and other cards can interact with them in exciting ways.



Ink Key



= Amber



= Emerald



= Sapphire



= Amethyst



= Ruby



= Steel



Rarity Key



= Common



= Rare



= Legendary



= Uncommon





= Super Rare






= Enchanted

PARTS OF A CARD

On All Cards

- Cost:** How much ink  the card costs to play.
- Inkwell Icon:** Cards with  around the cost hexagon can be put into your inkwell to use as ink.
- Name:** Characters also have a version name listed below the character's name.
- Ink:** This symbol and the colored band behind the card name indicate the card's ink type.
- Classifications:** Categories sometimes referenced in card rules.
- Abilities and Effects:** The card's special rules. On actions, these are called effects. On characters, items, and locations, most abilities have a story-based name. Especially common abilities instead use bolded keywords (like **"Bodyguard"** on this card).

Only on Some Cards

- Strength** : How much damage the character deals during a challenge.
- Willpower** : How much damage it takes to banish the character or location.
- Lore Value** : On a character, how much lore you gain when they quest. On a location, how much lore you gain at the start of your turn.




SETTING UP

Each player needs their own deck. You'll also need damage counters and a way to track how much lore you have. Both come with your starter deck.

1. Determine the first player by flipping a coin, rolling a die, or so on.
2. Shuffle your deck.
3. Set your lore tracker to 0.
4. Draw 7 cards for your starting hand. You can look at the cards in your hand, but not anyone else's hand!
5. Alter your starting hand if you choose (see below).
Skip this step in your first game.

Altering Your Starting Hand

Before the game begins, each player can alter their starting hand one time, beginning with the first player. (Usually, a player does this if they don't have very many cards with inkwell icons  on them or if too many of their cards have a high cost.) To do this, put any number of cards from your hand on the bottom of your deck without revealing them, then draw cards until your hand has 7 cards again. Finally, reshuffle your deck.

PLAYING THE GAME

A turn is divided into two parts. Each player takes their whole turn before passing the turn to the next player.

On your turn, take these steps in order.

Beginning Phase

1. **READY** – Ready your exerted cards by turning them upright.
2. **SET** – Check for effects that happen at the start of your turn and follow their instructions.
3. **DRAW** – Draw a card from the top of your deck. The first player skips this step on their first turn.

Main Phase

Once per turn, you can put a card facedown into your inkwell at any time.

Additionally, you can take any actions listed below, any number of times, in any order you want. This allows you to take full advantage of what your cards can do in combination with other effects.

- ♦ Play a card.
- ♦ Use a character ability that doesn't require them to exert.
- ♦ Use an item ability.
- ♦ Use a location ability.
- ♦ Take an action with a character that's been in play since the start of your turn. These include:
 - Quest.
 - Challenge an opponent's location or exerted character.
 - Use an ability that requires them to exert.

What Are Ready and Exerted Cards?

Some game rules and card effects require you to exert ☹ a card in play. To exert a card, turn it sideways.

Once a card is exerted, you can't exert it again until it's been readied by a game rule or card effect. To ready a card, simply turn it back upright. Remember to ready all your exerted cards at the beginning of your turn.



Your Inkwell

Your inkwell is where you'll put your ink cards, facedown. You'll use the cards in your inkwell to pay costs, such as for cards you play from your hand.

You may put a card from your hand into your inkwell **once each turn**. The card you choose must have the inkwell icon ☹ around its cost ☹ in the upper left corner. The more ink cards you have, the more you'll be able to do.

To put a card in your inkwell, show the card to your opponents and then put it facedown into your inkwell as ink. Every card in your inkwell represents 1 ☹, no matter what's on the front. Choose wisely! Cards put into your inkwell stay there for the rest of the game. Once you put a card in your inkwell, nothing on the front matters—including its cost and ink type. It's simply ink.

Playing a Card

Playing a card just means taking it from your hand and putting it faceup on the table. Each card has an ink cost in a hexagon in the upper left corner. To play the card, you must exert that many cards in your inkwell.

When you play a character card, put it on the table above your inkwell. Characters enter play in the ready position, **but you can't do anything with them until your next turn**. You need to wait for their ink to dry!

When you play an item card or a location card, put it on the table above your inkwell. Unlike characters, you can use items and locations right away.

When you play an action card, do what the card tells you to do, then put the card into your discard pile. Always put cards into your discard pile face up so everyone can see them.

Songs are a kind of action card, but there's a special rule that gives you another way to pay for them. Each song says "(A character with cost X or more can ☹ to sing this song for free.)" If you have a character with the listed cost or higher, you can exert that character to play the song card instead of exerting cards in your inkwell to do it! Using this approach still counts as playing the card. Rules for when you can exert a character still apply, of course, so characters can't sing songs the same turn they come into play.

Shift

You can play a Floodborn character using their Shift ability if you have a character with the same name in play. Pay the Shift cost instead of their ink cost and cover the original card with the new one. (You could play an Ursula – Mad Sea Witch card on top of any Ursula card, for example.)

The shifted character has their own rules but keeps any damage or effects that were on the original. If the original

was exerted, so is the shifted one. If the original was able to challenge, quest, or use abilities, though, the shifted character can do those things as soon as they come into play!

When a shifted character leaves play, all the cards in their stack go with them.

Questing

To quest with one of your characters, exert them and gain lore equal to their Lore value ♦. Remember, you can't quest with a character the same turn you play them.

Challenging

Questing is how you win the game, but sometimes you need to slow your opponents down. This is where challenging comes in. First, exert one of your characters to send them into the challenge. Then choose an opponent's exerted character to challenge. **You can't challenge a ready character!** Both characters in a challenge deal damage. Look at each character's Strength ⚔ and put that many damage counters on the other character.

Damage

A character is banished when they have damage counters on them that reach or exceed their Willpower ♥. Put the character card into its player's discard pile.

Moving Damage

Moving damage counters from one character or location to another doesn't count as "dealing damage" or "damaging" the character or location receiving the damage counters. Effects that modify the amount of damage dealt don't apply to damage being moved.

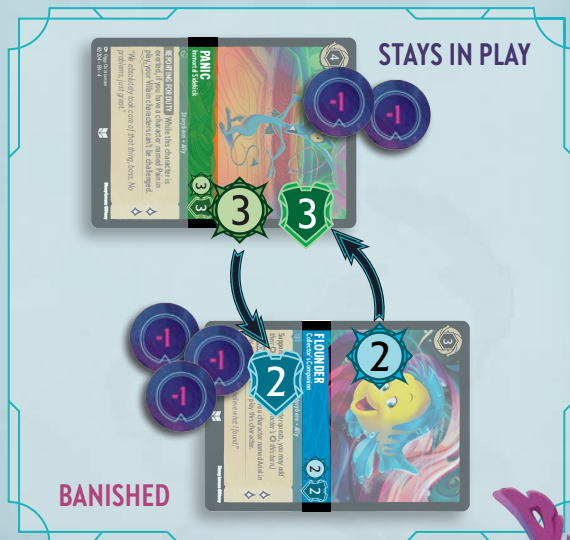


Example: Challenge

Panic – **Immortal Sidekick** is challenging **Flounder** – **Collector's Companion**.

Panic has 3 ⚔ (Strength) and Flounder has 2 ⚔. At the same time, Panic deals 3 damage to Flounder, who gets 3 damage counters. Flounder deals 2 damage to Panic, who gets 2 damage counters.

With only 2 ♥ (Willpower), Flounder is in trouble. Because his damage is equal or greater than his ♥, he is banished and goes to his player's discard pile. Panic wins the challenge! He needs to watch out, though. His own ♥ is 3, so if he takes 1 more damage later, he'll be banished too.



Location Abilities

Some locations have abilities that give you benefits, often based on characters being at the location. These abilities can be used the same turn the location comes into play.

Moving Characters to Locations

During your turn, you can move one of your characters to one of your locations by paying the location's move cost ♠. Your characters can only move to your locations.

A character can move to a location the same turn either one is played. It doesn't matter if the character being moved is exerted or ready. There's no limit to the number of characters who can be at a location at a time.

A character can't move from a location except to move to another location. You can do this by paying the other location's move cost.

Location Challenges & Damage

On their turn, opposing characters may challenge a location the same way they'd challenge an exerted character. A character's **Challenger** ability applies when challenging locations. When a location is challenged, it takes damage equal to the challenging character's Strength ⚔. It doesn't deal damage of its own in the challenge, however.

Locations can also take damage from some actions and abilities. Locations can't be chosen for actions and abilities unless that text specifies a location can be chosen.

When a location has damage equal to or greater than its Willpower ♠, it's banished and you put that card in your discard pile.

Characters who are at a location when it's banished simply find themselves abroad again. They're fine; they're just no longer at a location.

Gaining Lore with Locations

At the start of your turn, gain lore equal to the Lore value ♠ on each of the locations you have in play. Note that this is not questing, which only characters can do.

PARTS OF A LOCATION CARD



1 Ink Cost ⚔

2 Move Cost ♠

3 Willpower ♠

4 Ability

5 Lore Value ♠

Using Abilities

Many items and characters have abilities you can use during your turn (and only during your turn). These normally affect other cards in play. Cards in a player's deck, discard, hand, or inkwell aren't "in play," so they aren't affected by other cards unless the card says otherwise.

A card ability that has a cost lists it before the effect. The cost might include an exert cost ☹, an ink cost ○, text that explains the cost, or a combination of any of these. You must pay every part of an ability's cost in order to play the ability.

Remember, you can't use the abilities of a character you played this turn.

Example: *Imperial Bow* has the ability *Within Range*, which reads, "☹, 1 ○ — Chosen Hero character gains **Challenger** +2 and **Evasive** this turn. (They get +2 ☹ while challenging. They can challenge characters with *Evasive*.)" On your turn, you may play this ability by exerting the card and paying 1 ○ (by exerting a card in your inkwell). Because the *Bow* is an item, you can even play its ability the same turn you played the card!



ENDING THE GAME

The first player to reach 20 lore or more wins. If your deck runs out of cards, you lose the next time you would have to draw a card.

MULTIPLAYER GAMES

This is a fun 2-player game, but there's nothing stopping you from playing games of 3 or more players!

The game rules remain the same except that at the end of a player's turn, the player to their left takes the next turn.

Whenever an ability requires more than one player to do something at the same time, start with the player whose turn it is, then proceed to the left until each affected player has done their action.



BUILDING A DECK

Making your own deck is part of the fun! You get to choose which characters you want, which abilities you include, and the strategies you want to employ.

There are two ways to approach building a deck. The easiest is to switch out cards in an existing deck, like one of the ready-to-play starter decks. You can also build a new deck from scratch using the cards in your collection. This method is more work, but it can be a lot of fun!

Each **Disney Lorcana** TCG deck must follow these rules:

- ◆ Your deck must have at least 60 cards in it.
- ◆ Your deck can't contain more than 4 copies of any single card.

Example: You can't have more than 4 copies of *Pegasus – Gift for Hercules* in your deck. Different versions of a character count as different cards, so having 4 copies of *Pegasus – Gift for Hercules* in your deck doesn't keep you from adding up to 4 copies of *Pegasus – Flying Steed*!

- ◆ Your deck can only contain cards from 1 or 2 inks.

Be sure to check out **disneylorcana.com** for videos with deckbuilding and strategy tips.

TURN ORDER AT A GLANCE

Beginning Phase

1. **READY** – Ready all your cards.
2. **SET** – Start of turn effects happen.
3. **DRAW** – Draw a card. (Skip this on the first turn.)

Main Phase

Choose as many as you like (except as noted), in any order:

- ◆ Once a turn, add a card to your inkwell.
- ◆ Play a card.
- ◆ Use an item ability.
- ◆ Use a character ability that doesn't require ☹.
- ◆ Use a location ability.
- ◆ With a character that was in play during the Set step:
 - Quest -OR-
 - Challenge a location or an exerted character -OR-
 - Use an ability that requires ☹.

⬢ Cost

⬢ Inkwell

⬢ Strength

⬢ Willpower

⬢ Lore Value

⬢ Move Cost

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