

STUDIO B

The B-Movie Pitching Card Game
Alpha Prototype Version
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ABOUT

For years the major movie studios had things just totally locked up, and no one else could get movies into theaters. In 1948 an antitrust case changed all that, and independents rushed to make movies to sell to theater operators hoping to bring in a new generation of teens. Movies could be low-budget fun, and lots of film-makers dove in headfirst.

Imagine you were a part of that heady era of movie madness. If you could make a B-movie, what would it be about?

In this randomly creative party game you're part of Studio B's struggle to come up with ideas for movies that will be the next big hit at the drive-ins. You know what general premise the executives want, and it's up to you to stitch together a title from random words and pitch a series to win over audiences.

SPECS

of Players: 3-6

Playing Time: 30-90 Minutes

Materials: 200 Title Cards, 60 Premise Cards, 40 Voting Cards, Rules

Recommended for fans of cheesy old movies of ages 12+

PRINTING

Just like Cards Against Humanity (<http://cardsagainsthumanity.com/>), the simplest way to get a deck made is to go to Staples or another print shop and have them print from this PDF on heavy cardstock (80 pound or heavier) and cut them out. On the other hand I was able to just run lighter cardstock through my laser printer at home and cut the cards out by hand, so there's that. If you want a box to keep the cards in, you can get one at places like The Container Store or Tap Plastics.

CREDITS

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If you try the game out and have any feedback, send it my way and I'll add you to this list!

HOW TO PLAY

GETTING STARTED

Separately shuffle the decks of Title Cards and Premise Cards. Pick someone to be the first Producer. Whoever's seen *Plan 9 From Outer Space* the most times gets to be the Producer first. Or you can use a less contrived method, like having each player draw a Title Card and letting whoever's card comes first alphabetically go first.

You play the game in a series of rounds. Each round one player is the Producer, who if you care about the "story" of this card game is someone who needs to pick an anime series for the station to buy. In each successive round the person clockwise from the prior Producer becomes the new Producer.

1. THE PREMISE

The Producer draws 5 Premise Cards, picks any 2 he or she likes, and discards the rest. He or she then reads the two selected Premises to the other players.

2. DRAW CARDS

Each player draws cards from the Title Deck until they have a hand of 10. If it's the first round, draw an initial hand of 10. In later rounds draw enough to replenish your hand to 10. The Producer must discard his or her entire hand of Title Cards and draw 10 more.

If you don't like your full hand you can discard it and draw a new hand of 10 Title Cards, but only once per round.

3. MAKE TITLES

The players each assemble a set of up to 4 Title Cards to form the title of a B-movie that fits the Producer's premise cards. You can add simple articles ("a," "the," "of," etc.) and change singular words into plural or vice versa, but otherwise you have to use what's on the cards.

4. PITCHES

The players take turns giving brief pitches as to what the movies with the titles they've created are about, which need to fit the premise. If you want to make it quick and easy, keep the pitches to a couple sentences, just enough to explain your idea. If you have buckets of time to kill, you can take as long as you want making an elaborate pitch.

5. VOTING

Each player gets a number of Voting Cards equal to the number of players. One of their Voting Cards should have a star, and all of the others should have Xs. (So for example if you have 4 players total, each player should have one star card and 3 X cards.) Give the star card to whoever you think did the best pitch, and give the X cards to everyone else, all face-down.

Whoever has the most star cards wins the round. If there's a tie, play rock-paper-scissors (or rock paper scissors spock lizard or whatever) to break the tie. The winner gets a Point, and keeps a Premise Card to represent the Point. Discard the remaining Premise Card and all of the Title Cards the players used for titles.

6. NEW ROUND/END GAME

If everyone's still feeling like playing, the next person clockwise from the old Producer becomes the new Producer, and you do a new round starting from Step 1. If you're tired of playing, stop. If you care about winning, whoever has the most Points at the end is the winner.

<div>2000</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>50 Foot Woman</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>After Dark</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Against</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Agent</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>A-Go-Go</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Alien</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>All</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Atomic</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Bat</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Beach Party</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Beast</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Being</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Beyond</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Bikini</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Bleeding</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Bloodlust</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Body</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Brain</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Bride of the</div> <div>Title</div>

<div>Brother- hood</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Carnival</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Castle</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Cat Women</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Center</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Center of the Earth</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Chase</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Children</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Circus</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Claw</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Clone</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Colossal</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Conquers</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Corpse</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Cosmic</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Couldn't</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Count</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Crash</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Crater</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Crawling</div> <div>Title</div>

<div>Creature</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Creeping</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Crimson</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Cult</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Curse</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Day of the</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Deadly</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Death</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Deep</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Destination</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Destroy</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Devil</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Dinosaur</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Doctor</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Doll</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Dome</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Doomsday</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Dracula</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Dragon</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Dwellers</div> <div>Title</div>

<div>Evil</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Experiment</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Eyes</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Factor</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Fate</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Final</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Flight</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Flying Saucers</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Forbidden</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Frankenstein</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Freaks</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>From Another World</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>From Outer Space</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Frozen</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Fugitive</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Future</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Ghost</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Giant</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Giant Leeches</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Gila Monster</div> <div>Title</div>

<div>Green</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Hand</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Haunted</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Headhunters</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Hercules</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Hill</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Hollywood</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Holocaust</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>House</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>How to Make</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Humanoid</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>II</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Insects</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Invasion</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Invisible</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Island</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>It Came From</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Journey</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Killer</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>King of</div> <div>Title</div>

<div>Lagoon</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Lake</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Laser</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Last</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Legacy</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Lepus</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Lost</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Machine</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Mad</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Magnetic</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Maidens</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Man</div> <div>Title</div>
<div>Manhunt</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Maniac</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Mantis</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Mark</div> <div>Title</div>
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<div>Mountain</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Mummy</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Must Die</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Mutant</div> <div>Title</div>
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<div>Phantom</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Phase</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Plan 9</div> <div>Title</div>	<div>Planet</div> <div>Title</div>
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<div>Alien Invasion</div> <div>Premise</div>	<div>Ancient Civilizations</div> <div>Premise</div>	<div>Atlantis</div> <div>Premise</div>	<div>Barbarians</div> <div>Premise</div>
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<div>Rock 'n Roll</div> <div>Premise</div>	<div>Sexy Babes</div> <div>Premise</div>	<div>Shocking Educational Film</div> <div>Premise</div>	<div>Sordid Love</div> <div>Premise</div>
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