

The basic game

Get together with a partner. Play the 12 game ten times, taking 1 or 2 stones each time.

Write who wins each time in this table.

Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Game 4	Game 5	Game 6	Game 7	Game 8	Game 9	Game 10

Put a tick next to the sentence you think is right.

_____ The first player will always win.

_____ The second player will always win.

_____ It's just a matter of luck and anyone can win.

Who do you think will win when playing with 1 to 6 stones?

Number of stones	Who will win?	Why?
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		

Who do you think will win when playing with 7 to 12 stones?

Number of stones	Who will win?	Why?
7		
8		
9		
10		
11		
12		