

UNBORED zine

Unbored Zine highlights different activities to get you interested to try something outside of your normal routine. Each issue has a theme, so you can select which (or all) you'd like to try.

All issues are initially released for free digitally on my blog, larajla.com. They will be available for a week before they move to my Etsy shop, [larajlacreates](http://larajlacreates.com).

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Play Test

Play with your cards. This is why you made them.

You also have a group to discuss the cards. They might have ideas you want to incorporate as well.

Edit Your Deck

If you find any that you find distasteful or just don't like . . . pull them. If you want to adjust a card, this is the time to do it.

You can edit any deck, including the main one if you included it with your set.

You can put the pulled cards aside if you feel you might incorporate them in the future or if you really don't want to throw out cards.

Making Cards for Cards Against Humanity

Rating

Before you start the process, you need to think of your audience. If you're playing with your family, you'll want to keep your cards cleaner and more relevant to your members.

The original deck has no restrictions. You may want to keep this in mind. Any restrictions on the game need to be placed by you by removing any cards you find distasteful. You may also want to think of the greatest range of people in both age and maturity that you intend to play with. Teenagers will know more words and questionable content than you can imagine. Words may have changed meaning since older people have encountered them.

If it helps, make yourself a list of what acceptable and not acceptable to YOU. Some topics you might want to think about include:

- Death
- Drugs
- Politics
- Racism
- Religion
- Sex acts
- Sexism

THE BANNED EDITION

Cards Against Humanity is a card game that is designed for adults. No topic is taboo. Often, the combination of statements and answers are disgusting or tasteless. There's no such thing as "politically correct."

I won't discuss the number of times I needed answers explained to me. And, yes, I regretted asking every time. Overall, it is a fun game.

This zine is focusing on creating your own cards.

If you haven't played either this game or the game it's based on, Apples to Apples, check out the rules first. It's pretty straight forward. You can download and print the free cards to try Cards Against Humanity at their website.

To get the free cards to try this game, go to . . . cardsagainsthumanity.com

Find Sets

If the main card deck isn't sparking your creativity, look online for homemade decks from others. I've seen Disney and Harry Potter sets, just to name two. It will give you even more ideas of what you can include. Also, you can print those you like and put them into your deck. Be sure the card sizes are the same.

Don't forget to check Reddit and Board Game Geek for card set ideas as well.

List Additional URLs for Sets

Storage

Any way you can keep the cards clean, dry and together works for storage!

CAH has storage solutions if you choose to use their card size.

If you choose trading cards, you can use anything that's designed for trading or baseball cards. This includes everything from plastic card holders to the long cardboard boxes that hold hundreds of cards.

For index cards, you can grab a recipe box or two.

Now, go play and enjoy!

Print and Cut

You can create the cards digitally, which I recommend, or physically hand write them out. You can use templates or you can use blank index cards. Be sure to identify which cards are statements and which are answers. This can be as easy as a highlighted color at the top of one type of card.

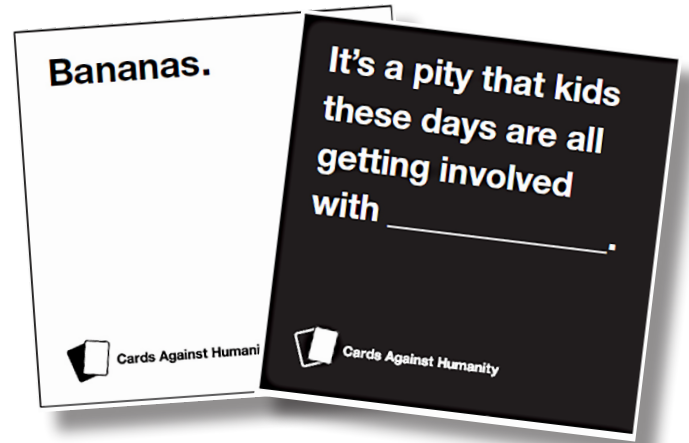
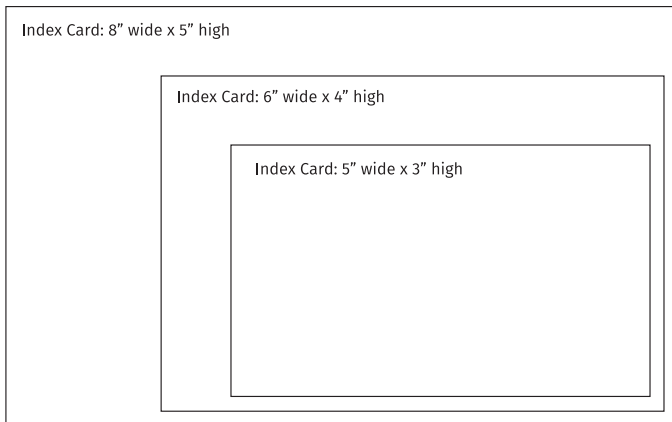
With digital cards, you can always reprint if someone wants a set or if cards get lost or damaged. You can also send the files to friends if they want a set so you don't have the hassle of printing and cutting the cards apart. Want to share with the public at large? Go for it!

Believe me, you don't want to do any more cutting than you need to.

Start with a Theme or Topic

What do you know a lot about? This might be a hobby or craft you enjoy. It might be your favorite movie or book. Perhaps you belong to an organization with a rich history that you can use. You can even base your cards on your family conversations at the dinner table.

Write down your topic in a notebook or put it into your favorite word processor.



Make Cards

You can use the CAH template and match their 2" x 2" cards. For this, you'll get about 20 cards per sheet.

I prefer to make them the size of trading cards, or 2.5" x 3.5." This will give you 9 cards per sheet. Storage is cheaper and easier to find for this size since it's the same as baseball cards.

Index cards are a low-cost, easy alternative. You'll be able to easily write on them. They come in a variety of sizes. Storage might be more complicated, however.

If you want a different size, you can adjust all you like. Just be aware that most of the cards others provide won't fit into the deck you're creating.

Don't want to make cards yourself, try the generator! mywastedlife.com/CAH/

- Puns and jokes
- Questions you don't want answered
- Questions you want answered
- Quotes or sayings
- Television shows / movies
- Videos
- What your kids / family say

NOTE: You can keep a separate listing of things you'd like to do for other topics. Use a single page or digital document for each topic.

Choose Answers

There are approximately 477 answers in the PDF deck available online. So, by doing the math, you'll want to make 6-7 cards of "answers" per each statement. It doesn't matter if they go with the statement and are not particularly funny. When put with a different statement, it might be the most humorous thing in the world.

Be sure you only put one answer per card. Even if you choose your statement to have two answers, the players can use two answer cards. I've also seen statement cards with three answers, but that might be a bit more complicated to create.

Choose Statements

The main deck that you can download has 76 statement cards. You want to choose your own statements to start because there are approximately six answer cards per each statement card in the PDF. Go through the idea list below for ways to determine your statements.

Remember to keep your topic in mind.

- Band or genre or music
- Books or titles of books
- Comics and cartoons
- Commercial jingles
- Discussion boards
- Fairy tales
- Family stories
- Frequently asked questions
- Memes
- Gravestones
- Groups / organizations
- Misunderstood lyrics / jingles / etc.
- Myths and legends
- Newspaper headlines
- People — famous / historical / family
- Phobias
- Pop culture
- Public domain works

Trading Card:
2.5" wide x 3.5" high

CAH Card:
2" wide x 2" high

Talk to Others

If you know others who are interested in your topic, you can ask for suggestions. You can follow groups on Facebook or Reddit that cover your topic.

In addition, you can take an existing deck someone has done and create your own version of it. If someone covered one Disney movie, you might want to do your favorite too. You might listen to the news and just pick out all the comments about a specific news story and do a set on that.

Your topics can be very broad, very niche or something in between.

My Recreated Cards
at Trading Card Size

