

Draw a card: cape chartam/folium.
I drew it: illam/illud cepi.
I can go again: ego ire iterum/iterum possum.
Go again: iterum/iterum
I have a book.
 ego librum habeo.
You, Marcus, have a book.
 tu, Marce, librum habes.
He/she has a book.
 ille/illa librum habet.
I have two books.
 ego duos libros habeo.
You have four books.
 tu quattuor libros habes.
He/she has no books.
 ille/illa nullōs libros habet.
You used to have aces.
 tu asses habebās.
I used to have queens.
 ego regīnas habebāam.
 * unus, duo, and tres decline.

Do you have...: habēsne (acc)...
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an ace?: ...assem?
a king?: ...regem?
a queen?: ...regīnam?
a jack?: ...iacobum?
a two?: ...biniōnem?
Yes: habeo / **No:** nōn habeo
Go Fish! piscatūm!
Do you have...: habēsne (acc)...
any aces?: ...ullōs asses?
any kings?: ...ullōs rēgēs?
any queens?: ...ullās rēgīnās?
any jacks?: ...ullōs iacobōs?
any twos?: ...ullōs biniōnēs?
I have...: ego...habeo.
no aces: ...nullōs asses...
one king: ...unum* rēgem...
three jacks: ...trēs iacobōs...
four twos: ...quattuor biniōnēs...
 * unus, duo, and tres decline.

Hold up your hand.
 sustinē manum tuam.
I see your hand.
 ego manum tuam videō.
I am able to see your hand.
 ego manum tuam vidēre possum.
You are looking at my cards.
 tū chartās meās/folia mea spectās.
You were looking at my cards.
 tū chartās meās/folia mea spectābās.
Don't look at my cards!
 nōlī spectāre chartās meās/folia mea!
Look at your own cards.
 spectā chartās/folia mea!
You are cheating/were cheating!
 tū fraudās/fraudābās!
You are a cheater!: tū es fraudātor!

Deal the cards: distribuē chartās / assignā folia / impertī folia
Shuffle the cards: miscē chartās / omnia (folia)
none: nullus, -a
any: ullus, -a
book: liber, librī, m
hand: manus, -ūs, f
game: ludus, -ī / lūsus, -ī, m
dealer: distributor, distributoris, m
fellow player: lūsor, lūsoris, m
player: lūsor, lūsoris, m
face card: imāgō hūmāna, imāgōnis hūmānae
spades: palae, -arum, f
clubs: trifolia, -arum, n
diamonds: rhombulae, -arum, f
hearts: corda, cordium, n

BUBULUM STERCUS

How about a game of *Būbulum Stercus**? It would go like this:

I have one ace.
 ego ūnum assem habeo.
I am putting down three twos.
 ego trēs biniōnēs dēpōnō.
These are four threes.
 haec (folia) sunt quattuor tīniōnēs.
Behold! Two fours.
 ecce! duo quaterniōnēs.
B.S.!
 būbulum stercus*!
You are a liar.
 tū es mendāx.
Oh no! You were tricking me.
 ēheu! tū mē fallēbās.
Pick up/take the cards.
 collige folia/chartās.
 *stercus, stercoris is a 3rd dec. n.

I PISCATUM! GO FISH!

This little booklet is designed to guide you through playing *Go Fish* and similar card games. Each time you play you should try to use more Latin in a variety of ways. Ultimately you should be able to do away with using any English at all when you gather with your friends to play cards.

The majority of terminology in this booklet is based on Ioannes L. Vives - *Exercitatio liguae Latinae*, XXI. *Ludus Chartarum*. http://www.grexlat.com/biblio/vives/21_Ludus.html

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BASIC CARD PLAYING VOCABULARY

card: charta, -ae, f / folium, -ī, n
game of cards: ludus chartarum
deck of cards: fasciculus foliorum
ace: as, * assis, m
king: rex, rēgis, m
queen: regīna, -ae, f
jack: iacobus, -ī / eques, equitis, m
10: dēnio, dēniōnis, m
9: novēnio, novēniōnis, m
8: octōnio, octōniōnis, m
7: septēnio, septēniōnis, m
6: sēnio, sēniōnis, m
5: quīnio, quīniōnis, m
4: quaternio, quaterniōnis, m
3: tīnio, tīniōnis, m
2: bīnio, bīniōnis, m
 *The origin of the word ace is in fact the Latin as = bronze coin.