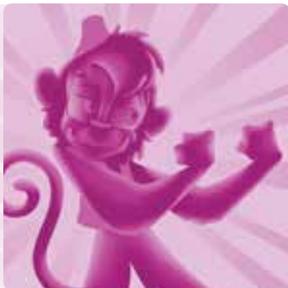


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# HERO KICKS

*TIME TO 'KICK IT' INTO HERO MODE!*



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## RULEBOOK

AGE / ÂGE  
8+



2-4  
PLAYERS  
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40  
MINUTES

Knowledge of English Required  
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Disney

# Sidekicks

**B**eing a Sidekick is hard work. Sure, you get to crack jokes and sing songs most of the time, but when the Heroes are in trouble, who has to do all the heavy lifting? The Sidekicks!

And trouble is on the table. Treacherous Disney Villains have teamed up and captured your favorite Disney Heroes! These Villains have plenty of tricks up their sleeves to help them defend the castle where the Heroes are locked up, everything from castle guards and hyenas to loyal Henchmen and magical curses.

As crafty and courageous Sidekicks, you're going to have to work together to rescue your friends and defeat at least one of the Villains (so that they know you mean business)! Rescue Villagers to unlock additional powers, take out the castle guards, and grab every ★ you see. You're gonna need them!



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# COMPONENTS

## 2 Danger cards

Danger cards tell you what the Villains are up to. Although each Villain brings their own set of Danger cards to the game, these neutral cards are always shuffled in.



## 12 Grave Danger cards

Looking for a tougher challenge? Add one or more of these packs to your Danger deck and that's just what you'll get (see Grave Danger cards, page 11).

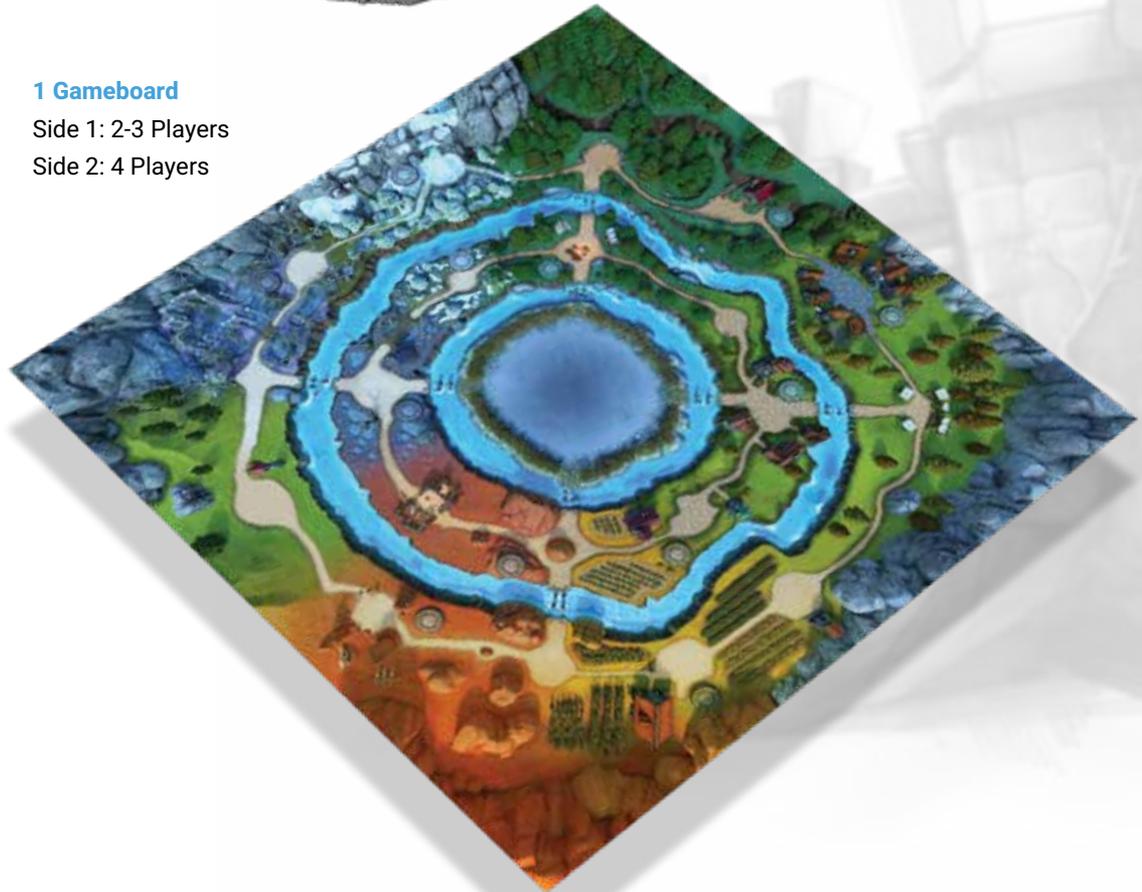


## 1 Castle

This is where the Heroes are locked up. If all 5 spaces become filled with tower tokens, the Villains win.

## 1 Gameboard

Side 1: 2-3 Players  
Side 2: 4 Players



# TOKENS



## 40 Star tokens

Spend them to use special powers, help other Sidekicks, prevent disaster, and unlock magical locks.



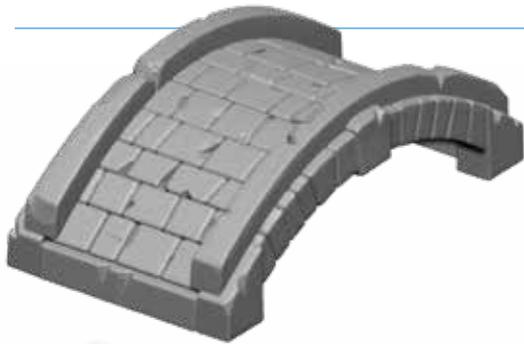
## 15 Attack Die tokens

These tokens make Villains stronger. When they Attack, they roll the Attack Die once for each one of these they have.



## 32 Villager tokens

Help to rescue the Heroes and the Villagers from the Villains' evil clutches. Rescue Villagers to activate your Power cards, and rescue all the Heroes from the castle to win the game!



### 8 Bridges

They allow movement between the inner and outer regions of the board, and are required to access the castle. If 3 of them are destroyed, the Villains win.



### 1 Attack Die

Use these to resolve attacks:

Sidekicks want to roll .

Villains want to roll .

means you get a .



## 5 SIDEKICK SETS

Each player uses one of these Sets. Specific setup instructions are found on the back of each Villain character card.

Each Set includes:

- 1 Sidekick figure
- 1 Sidekick character card
- 7 Power cards
- 1 Villain figure
- 1 Villain character card
- 7 Danger cards
- 1 Action card
- 1 Hero token



In addition, each pack also contains additional pack-specific components:

#### Flora, Fauna and Merryweather Set:

1 Diablo token

8 Curse tokens



#### Tinker Bell Set:

1 Jolly Roger token



#### Timon & Pumbaa Set:

3 Hyena tokens



#### Lumiere Set:

8 Charm tokens



#### Abu Set:

1 Genie token

1 Iago token



### 12 Guard tokens

These enemies are on the Villains' side. Defeat them before they are sent to the castle.



### 4 Lock tokens

The magical locks keeping your Heroes trapped in the castle. Use to unlock them.

**NOTE:** The Flora, Fauna and Merryweather figure is composed of 3 pieces: Flora, Fauna and Merryweather.

# SETUP

- A The board:** Place the board in the middle of the table. Use whichever side is appropriate for the number of players (2/3p or 4p).
- B Ready the supplies:** Place the Attack Die, Guard, Star, and Attack Die token supplies within everyone's reach.
- C Build the bridges:** Place a bridge on each outlined bridge space. Return any unused bridges to the box.
- D Summon the guards:** Place 1 Guard on each space connected to the castle by a bridge.
- E Place Villagers:** Put the villager tokens in the bowl space in the box, then draw and place 1 Villager on each space with a location icon.
- F Choose a Sidekick:** Take a Sidekick Set, and place their character and action cards in front of you.
- G Draw Sidekick powers:** Shuffle your Sidekick's 7 power cards, and deal yourself 3 of them faceup next to your character card. Return unused power cards to the box.
- NOTE:** Your three faceup power cards are currently inactive. To activate one, fill each of its spaces with a Villager of a different color.
- H Lock up your Hero:** Place your Hero token in the castle and place a Lock token next to the castle, locked side up.

- I Place your figures:** Place your Sidekick figure on a starting space not occupied by another Sidekick (P1, P2, etc.). Place your Villain figure on the corresponding Villain space (V1 if P1, V2 if P2, etc.).
- J Prepare your Sidekick:** Take 1 ★ and a health token. Place the health token on the empty space of your character card's health track.
- K Prepare your Villain:** Follow the setup instructions on the back of your Villain character card. When done, place 1 ★ on each space of your Villain health track.
- L Prepare the Danger Deck:** Shuffle the 2 neutral Danger cards with the included Villain Danger cards to create the Danger deck and place it next to the gameboard.
- M Start playing:** Decide amongst yourselves who will play first. We suggest choosing whoever is youngest at heart.





## BOARD SPACES

Each of the clearings on the board is a space. Learning about them now will make reading the rest of the rules that much easier.

- Villain and Sidekick figures are placed in the center of the board space they occupy. No two figures can occupy the same space (when a Villain or Sidekick moves, they skip over spaces occupied by other Villains and Sidekicks).
- Spaces next to each other on a footpath and spaces connected by a bridge are considered to be adjacent.
- Many spaces have one of six location icons (🌳, 🏠, 🔥, 🌋, 🌊, 🌫️). These are most often used to indicate where new Villagers are placed.
- Tokens (Castle Guards, Villagers, etc.) are placed around the board space they occupy. There is no limit to the number of tokens that can occupy a space. However, some token types have their own 'per space' limit (e.g., 1 Guard, 2 Villagers).
- Each space belongs to one of two regions: the inner region (closer to the castle) or the outer region.



# GAMEPLAY



## GOAL OF THE GAME

As Sidekicks, you must cooperate to collect ★, unlock the castle's locks, rescue the captured Heroes, and defeat at least 1 Villain. And you have to do it while remaining healthy, preventing the destruction of the kingdom's bridges, making sure the castle doesn't become filled with Guards and/or Villagers, and thwarting the Villains' attempts of achieving their own goals. It's a lot to ask, but Disney Sidekicks are on the job!

**C**lockwise from the start player, take turns until either you win or the Villains do. Each turn consists of two phases: the **Danger Phase**, then the **Action Phase**. When your Action phase is over, play passes clockwise to the next player.

## THE DANGER PHASE

Danger cards are how your enemies (Villains and Henchmen) accomplish their murkiest schemes. All of them have text that explains what terrible thing they're up to. Most of them also have instructions of where to add new Villagers on the board, where to move a particular Villain, or whether a new Castle Guard is spawned next to your Sidekick.

**Draw a card** from the Danger deck, **follow its instructions** from top to bottom, then **discard it**.

If the drawn card belongs to a defeated Villain, remove it from play and draw another card.

Each Danger card has up to 3 sections:

- 1 VILLAGERS APPEAR**  
A Villager is placed on the board.
- 2 DANGER RISES**  
Something bad happens.
- 3 ENEMIES APPROACH**  
A Villain moves, then attacks or a Guard is summoned.

**NOTE:** Not all Danger cards have all 3 sections.



## VILLAGERS APPEAR

**Place 1 Villager** on the space in your region that is marked with the depicted location icon.

**No more than 2 Villagers can occupy the same space.** If a 3rd Villager would be added, they are captured by the Villains and placed on an unoccupied tower space in the castle instead.



You try to place a Villager on the closest Icy Mountain space, but there are already 2 Villagers there. You have to place the Villager in the castle instead.

## DANGER RISES

Each Villain has their own way of making things difficult for you, and this is where it happens.

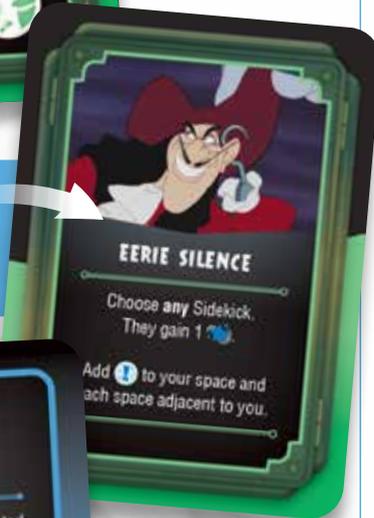
**Follow the written instructions** on the card and watch their plans unfold.

*Spend your stars wisely. It's tempting to always pay stars to avoid negative effects, but remember that you also need them to unlock the castle and help other Sidekicks.*

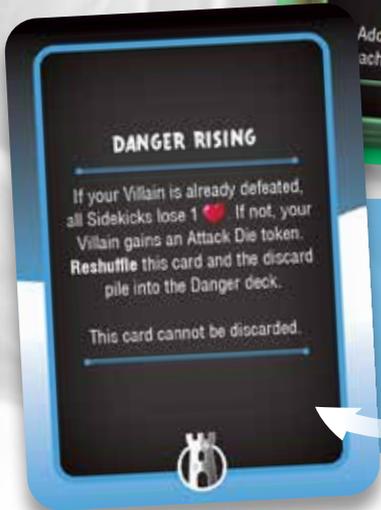


Will you pay your hard-earned stars to prevent Captain Hook from getting stronger?

Sometimes it's not so bad. That sure is a lot of Villagers, though.



Your Villain becomes stronger and now all the bad things that have happened can happen again. Watch out!



### ENEMIES APPROACH

Move the depicted Villain 1 , 2 , or 3 spaces toward the depicted Sidekick, skipping spaces occupied by Sidekicks and other Villains.

After a Villain has finished moving, they attack each Sidekick adjacent to them, one at a time

(you choose the order). If the Villain is adjacent to more than one Sidekick, you choose the order in which they are attacked.



Scar moves 3 spaces toward Timon & Pumbaa, then attacks each adjacent Sidekick.

OR

**Summon a Guard** to your space.

No more than 1 Guard can occupy a space. If a 2nd Guard would be added or would move to a space with a Guard, place them on an unoccupied tower space in the castle instead.



Summon a Guard to your space.

### WHEN ENEMIES MOVE

When enemies move, they most often move toward a Sidekick. Regardless of their destination, you move them one space at a time, skipping over other figures. Each move must result in the enemy being closer to (i.e., fewer spaces away from) their destination than they were before. If doing so is impossible (e.g., they are adjacent to their Sidekick), the enemy stops moving.

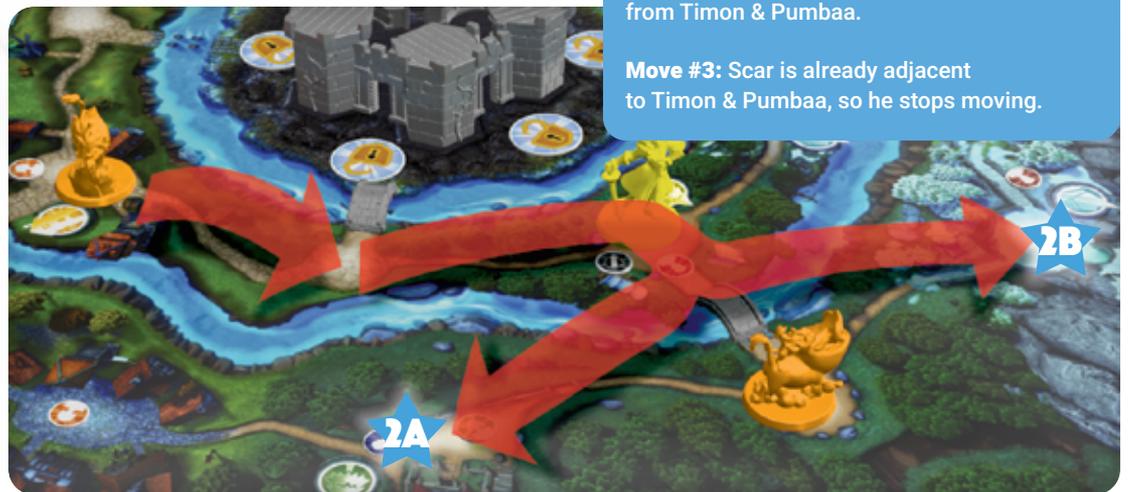


**Enemies Approach:** Scar moves 3 times toward Timon & Pumbaa, then attacks each Sidekick adjacent to him.

**Move #1:** Scar can't move over the bridge to the left, as he would still be 3 spaces away from Timon & Pumbaa. He has to move to space 1.

**Move #2:** By skipping over Captain Hook and Timon & Pumbaa, Scar can move to either 2A or 2B, both of which are only 1 space away from Timon & Pumbaa.

**Move #3:** Scar is already adjacent to Timon & Pumbaa, so he stops moving.



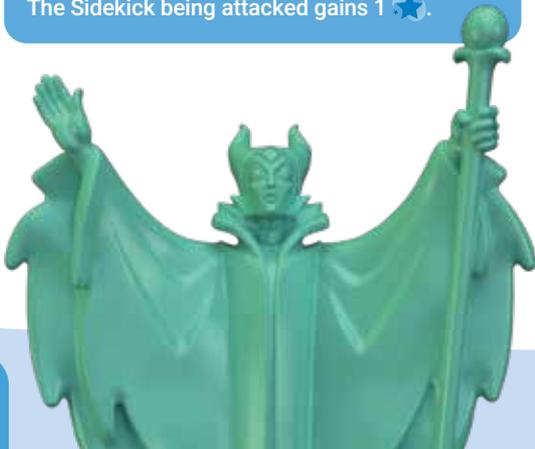
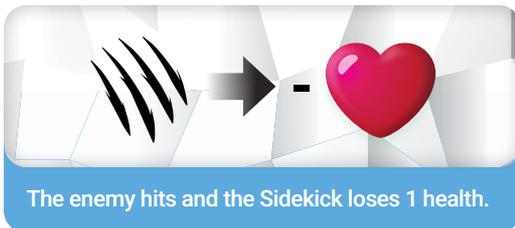
## WHEN ENEMIES ATTACK

Sidekick (whether by card effect or by the Sidekick moving into the Henchman's space), **roll the Attack Die once**, unless otherwise specified.

When a Villain attacks a Sidekick, roll the attack die **once for each attack die token they have**.

- If they roll a , their attack hits!
- Any other roll is a miss. However, if they roll a , the Sidekick they are attacking gains 1 .

When a Sidekick is hit, reduce their health by 1 by moving their health counter one space to the right. If **any** Sidekick runs out of health, the Villains win.



## THE ACTION PHASE

Your Action phase always starts with an opportunity to use any **'before your actions'** abilities you have.

On your turn, you perform actions. The number of actions you can perform is indicated at the top left corner of your character card.

### A HERO'S HELPING HAND (OR PAW):

If you have rescued your Hero, you can perform an additional action on your turn, even on the turn you rescue them.

The actions are:

### MOVE

Move your Sidekick 1 space along the footpath or over a bridge.

### ATTACK

Attack a Henchman in your space or a Villain in an adjacent space that you have not attacked this turn.

### UNLOCK

Spend 5  to unlock a locked Lock token.

### RESCUE

Rescue a Villager in your space or your Hero from the castle.

### REST (once per turn)

Gain 1  or restore 1 .

You can perform actions in any order, and as often as you are able (unless otherwise specified).

Once you are out of actions, or wish to skip your remaining actions, you have an opportunity

to use any **end of your turn** abilities you have before play passes to the next player clockwise.

## MOVE

Whether you need to rescue a Villager, attack a Guard, or put some distance between you and your Villain, moving will get you there.

Move your Sidekick 1 space along the footpath or over a bridge, skipping over other Sidekicks and Villains. If you move into a space occupied by one or more Henchmen, each of them attack you, in the order of your choice.\* *\*Henchmen in spaces that you skip over do not attack you.*



Although you're only adjacent to 1 available space, there are actually 5 different spaces you can move to. Thanks to the fact that you skip over other figures, you often have several enticing options. But watch out for Henchmen!

## ATTACK

Not only do you have to defeat at least 1 Villain, you also have to keep the Guards from filling the castle. Attacking will help you accomplish both.

**Attack a Henchman** on your space that you **have not attacked this turn**,

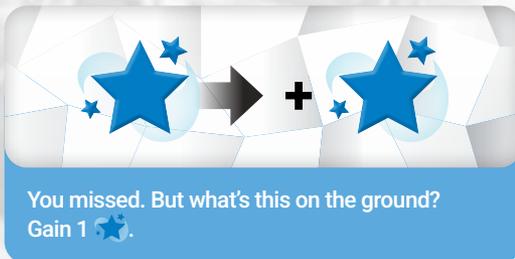
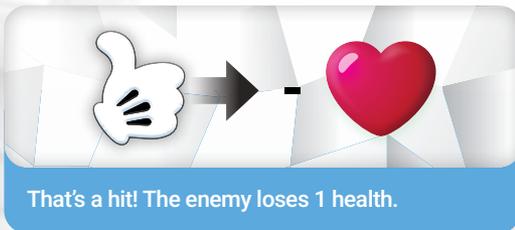
OR

**Attack a Villain** on an adjacent space **that you have not attacked this turn**.

## WHEN SIDEKICKS ATTACK

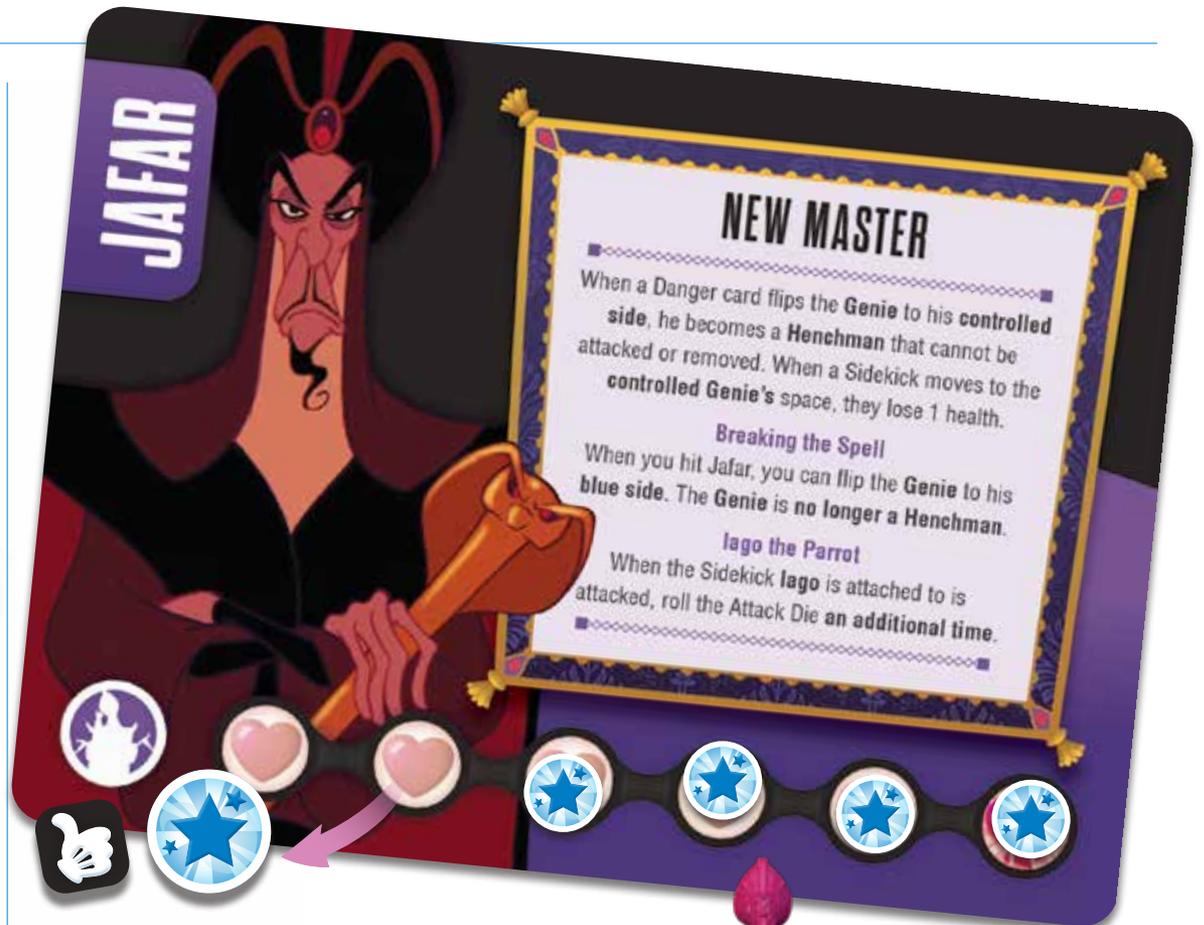
Whether you're attacking a Henchman or a Villain, you **roll the Attack Die**:

- If you roll , your attack hits!
- Any other roll is a miss. However, if you roll , gain 1 .



### Henchmen only have 1 health.

When you hit a Henchman (i.e., Guard, Hyena), they are immediately defeated. Remove them from the board.



Whenever a Villain is hit, reduce their health by taking a star from their health track and resolve their "When Hit" effect, if any.

When a Villain's last star is taken, they are defeated. Remove their figure and any associated components from play.

**Example:** You defeated Jafar. Remove his figure and Iago from play.

**NOTE:** You do not have to remove Jafar's danger cards from the Danger deck. They can be removed as they are drawn during the Danger Phase.



## UNLOCK

Before you and the other Sidekicks can rescue your Heroes, you need to unlock the magical locks that are keeping them in the castle.

**Unlock a Lock:** If you are **adjacent to the castle** (i.e., on a space connected to it by a bridge), spend 5 ★ and flip a lock token from its *locked* side to its *unlocked* side.



**NOTE:** Each Lock token, once unlocked, allows any one Hero to be rescued. However, Sidekicks can only rescue their own Hero.

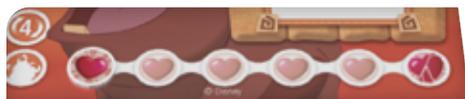
## RESCUE

Help to rescue your Heroes and the Villagers from the Villains' castle. Rescue Villagers to activate your Power cards, and rescue all the Heroes to win the game.

### Rescue a Villager:

Take a Villager on your space and place them on one of your power cards that does not have a Villager of that color. Once placed, they may not be moved to another power card.

When you fill the last space of a power card, return the Villagers on them to the supply, and tuck the top portion of the card under your character card. The power card is now active and its benefit can be used.



After filling all three spaces of this power card, discard the Villagers to the Villager pile, and slide the now active power card under your character card.

**NOTE:** You may not rescue a Villager from the castle.

If you are unable to place a rescued Villager on one of your power cards, simply discard it to the Villager pile.

OR

### Rescue your Hero:

If you are **adjacent to the castle** (i.e., on a space connected to it by a bridge), remove an **unlocked** lock token from play, take **your Hero** from the castle, and place them in front of your player board.

Once you have rescued your Hero, you can perform an additional action every turn, including the turn you used to rescue them.

## REST (once per turn)

Two things you're likely to be short on are ★ and ♥. If all else fails, take a load off to grab one or the other.



## ATTACHED / DETACHED

Some effects will cause a figure (i.e., one of the good fairies) or token (i.e., Iago) to become **attached** to your Sidekick. An attached figure or token moves around the board with your Sidekick until they're **detached**.

As long as a figure or token is attached to your Sidekick, they provide an ongoing benefit or hindrance, explained by the effect that caused them to become attached or the token itself.



## GAME END

Your quest to save the Heroes ends when either the Sidekicks or the Villains win.

### The Sidekicks win when:

- All of the Heroes are rescued **and**
- At least 1 Villain is defeated.

### The Villains win when:

- A Sidekick's health is depleted, **or**
- All 5 castle towers are filled with Guards and/or Villagers, **or**
- A 3rd bridge is destroyed, **or**
- A Villain's loss condition is met.

### Looking to spice things up?

Add one or more of the included Grave Danger packs to make the game more difficult in different ways.

**Pack 1: Villagers in Peril**

**Pack 2: Guards on Patrol**

**Pack 3: Nefarious Villains!**

Each pack contains 4 identical cards to shuffle into the Danger deck. Add one pack to spice things up, two to make it extra hot, and three... well, don't say we didn't warn you.



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# SUMMARY OF A TURN

## THE DANGER PHASE

**Draw a card** from the Danger deck, **follow its instructions** from top to bottom, then **discard it**. If the drawn card belongs to a defeated Villain, remove it from play and draw another card.



### VILLAGERS APPEAR

New Villagers are added to the board.



### DANGER RISES

Something bad happens.



### ENEMIES APPROACH

A Villain moves and attacks or a Guard is summoned.

## ENEMY ROLLS



### The enemy hits!

The attacked Sidekick loses 1 ❤️



### The enemy misses



### The enemy misses

The attacked Sidekick gains 1 ⭐



### You miss



### You hit!

If you hit a Villain, take a ⭐ from their health track and resolve their 'when hit' effect, if any.



### You miss

Gain 1 ⭐

## THE ACTION PHASE

Perform as many actions as you are allowed (you may choose to skip actions). The actions are:

### MOVE

1 space, skipping over other figures.

### ATTACK

An enemy in your space or a Villain in an adjacent space that you have not attacked this turn.

### UNLOCK

A locked Lock token by spending 5 ⭐ on a space connected to the castle by a bridge.

### RESCUE

A Villager in your space or your Hero from the castle.

### REST

To gain 1 ⭐ or restore 1 ❤️ (once per turn).

## SIDEKICK ROLLS