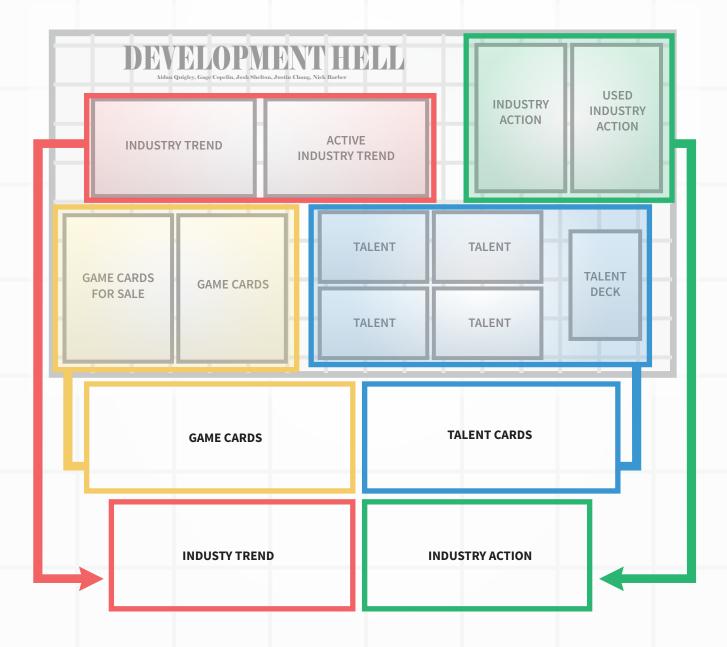


# Introduction

In Development Hell, you play as video game publishers. You each must bid on game ideas and talent to make as many games as possible. Each game requires specific talent, so hire wisely, and always keep an eye on your competitors.

### **Game Board**



# GAME CARDS

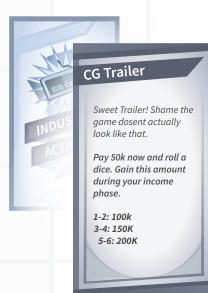


### **INDUSTRY EVENT CARDS**



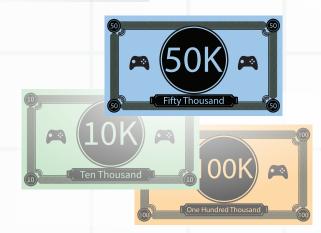
Industry events are flipped at the beginning of each round and are effective during each turn. Once all Industry event cards are flipped, the game ends!

## **INDUSTRY ACTION CARDS**



Industry Actions are rewarded for successfully completing goals. They can be played at anytime, unless otherwise specified.

### CURRENCY



Currency is bidded for games and talent cards. Players should try to win bids as much as possible, but also try to maintain their money too.

# **Playing the Game**

#### Setup

Place the Bidding Board in the center of the players. Place the Talent, Game, Industry Action, and Industry Trend Decks in their corresponding slots on the board.

The top four Talent cards are flipped and placed into the Talent Card slots.

#### **Beginning the Game**

Each Player starts with 500K Currency.

In Development Hell, each round consists of 3 phases that make up a "year".

To begin the game, simply follow the steps in the first phase.

#### Yearly Phase 1 – Bidding on Games

At the beginning of a new year, flip the top Industry Trend card and place it on the Active Industry Trend slot.

Then flip the top card of the Game Deck and place it on the Games for Sale slot.

Players may now bid an amount of currency of their choosing on the Game, each bid raising the price of the game until no other player is willing to bid on the game.

The highest bidder takes that game. The amount bidded is paid to the bank.

Repeat this process until only one player has not acquired a game this phase. That player must pay the Flat Rate for the next Game in the deck.

Note: players cannot bid on a game if they have already aqcuired a game during this phase, or if they are already holding three incomplete games.

#### Yearly Phase 2 – Bidding on Talent

Once all four players have acquired a Game, Yearly Phase 2 begins.

The player who won the first Game card during this year's Phase 1 goes first and turns rotate to their left (Clock-Wise).

On a player's turn, he or she chooses a Talent card to begin bidding on. All other players may join in on the bid, and similarly to bidding on games, the highest bidder takes the card. Once a player has won the selected Talent card, it is the next player's turn.

Repeat this process until each player has taken a turn.

#### Yearly Phase 3 – Income Phase

At this phase, if a player has acquired the required Talent to complete a Game, they may announce that they have completed a Game and then follow the following steps:

-Specify the completed Game and roll a dice; the dice roll corresponds to the income chart at the bottom of the specified Game card. Collect the amount of Currency stated by the income chart from the bank.

-The player then draws Industry action cards based on the amount listed on the completed Game card.

-The player then flips the Game card over to indicate that the Game is complete. These completed Games will be used for scoring purposes at the end of the game.

-The Talent cards used on the completed Game are then placed at the bottom of the Talent deck, unless otherwise stated.

Once all players have collected their rewards, the year is now over, and phase 1 begins again.

#### **Selling Unfinished Games**

At any time during phases 2 and 3, if a player is short on Currency, or feels he or she will not be able to complete a Game, he or she may move one of their unfinished Games onto the Bidding Board onto the Game Cards for Sale slot.

If a player chooses to sell one of their Games, he or she draws an Industry Action card.

Next year when players are bidding on Games, the winning bidder gets this Game and gives the currency to the player who sold it, rather than placing the money into the bank.

Note: players can bid on their own games, but if they win the bid for their own game, they must pay the bank the bidded amount.

#### Winning

The game is over after 8 years (the Industry Trend Deck should be fully exhausted).

Players tally up the points they won for each of their completed Games.

Players are also given an extra point for each 100k they have.

The player with the most points is the winner.