



Celebrate Tabletop Game Creations

COMMUNITY EDITION

*Celebrating Culture
Through Play*

This guide is inspired by the Singapore Tabletop Game Creations Initiative but adapted for universal cultural celebration.

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Welcome to

Creative Game Design!

This guide helps you nurture children's creativity through tabletop game design at home. No expertise needed!

About This Guide

This guide is part of the Singapore Tabletop Game Creations, a global initiative that empowers children and families to design meaningful games through emotion, imagination, and culture.

Whether you're a parent, educator, or community builder, this guide will help you spark creativity and connection through tabletop game creation — no prior experience needed!

Core Principles

Joy First

Focus on fun, not perfection.

Child-Led

Let their ideas guide the process.

Cultural Celebration

Explore your community's unique stories through play.

Quick Start: In 5 Simple Steps

- 1 Play a simple game.
- 2 Learn 1 or 2 mechanics.
- 3 Choose a meaningful theme.
- 4 Sketch a game idea & test it.
- 5 Celebrate it with others!

Getting Started

The Journey of Tabletop Game Creations

1 Warm-Up



2 Explore Game Mechanics



3 Brainstorm Cultural Themes



4 Prototype & Playtest



5 Share & Celebrate

Materials Needed

- Basic: Paper, markers, dice, tokens (coins, buttons), blank cards.
- Optional: Stickers, figurines, cultural image cards.
- Tech Tool: Use AI assistants or online resources for brainstorming help.

Step-by-Step Facilitation

1. Warm-Up

Goal Spark curiosity about game design.

Play a Short Game

Use a culturally-themed card game or trivia.

Discuss

- What made this game fun?
- What rules or parts stood out?

2. Explore Game Mechanics

Teach Basics

Age 8–12: Simple mechanics (dice rolls, card draws).

CHALLENGE

Design a game where dice moves collect special cultural tokens!

Age 13+: Advanced pairs (e.g., **dice + trading**).

CHALLENGE

Create a game where players trade resources to complete cultural tasks.

Tip

Use the Mechanics Pairing Guide on Page 6 to mix ideas.

3. *Brainstorm Cultural Themes*

Activity Ideas Theme Mashup: Combine two cultural elements (e.g., **Harvest Festival + Local Legends**).

Story Prompts

- What if our town landmark had magical powers?
- Design a game about preserving a traditional craft!

Tool

Create a **Cultural Sparks** slideshow with images of traditions, places, and stories.

4. *Prototype & Playtest*

Steps

1 Sketch

A board, cards, or characters.

2 Rules

Write 3–5 simple rules (e.g., "Roll dice to move; draw a card for challenges").

3 Build

Use household items as game pieces.

4 Playtest

- Ask: **What was fun? What was confusing?**
- Iterate: Simplify or add twists.

Tip

Encourage empathy—**Who is this game for? Family? Friends? Visitors?**

5. *Share & Celebrate*

Pitch Time

- Have kids present their game in 3 minutes.
- Feedback Prompts
 - What surprised you about your game?
 - What would you add next?

Acknowledge Creativity

DIY awards:

Best Storyteller

Most Creative Cultural Twist

Mechanics Pairing Guide

For ages 13+ or advanced designers

Basic Action	Interaction	Cultural Twist	Example
Dice rolling	Hidden roles	Local Festival	Players take on secret roles to organize the festival.
Card drafting	Resource trading	Traditional Crafts	Trade materials to complete handmade items.
Tile placement	Team cooperation	Community Landmarks	Work together to build a town square.

Prompt

Combine **[Mechanic 1]** + **[Mechanic 2]** to make a game about **[Cultural Theme]**.

Extending the Journey

Monthly Challenges

Design a game about this month's cultural celebration.

Family Game Night

Playtest each other's creations.

Community Showcase

Host a mini **game expo** with friends or neighbors.

Why This Matters

Game design builds

- **Creativity** → Problem-solving & storytelling.
- **Empathy** → Designing for others.
- **Cultural Pride** → Celebrating your community's unique stories.

*Every idea is a seed.
Water it with play!*

Adaptation Tips

- **For Classrooms:** Align themes with history or social studies lessons.
- **For Parents:** Use game design to explore family heritage.
- **For Younger Kids:** Simplify mechanics to drawing/guessing games.

Let us know how it goes!

*Share your creations with
#SGTTGAMECREATION.*

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Dr. Woo is the founder of the Unique Wisdom Festival, a platform that celebrates soulful expression and community creativity, and the Singapore Tabletop Game Creations Initiative, which empowers youth to transform emotions and stories into meaningful tabletop games. Both initiatives reflect her deep commitment to learning through play, storytelling, and shared values.

Her community projects have been recognized for their social impact and inclusive design. Through her work in education, mentorship, and system-building, she continues to guide others in living and creating from a place of alignment — with self, with others, and with the evolving world.

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Happy Game Designing!

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