



ANDROMEDA'S GAME

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As thanks for helping Orion restore Polaris, Princess Andromeda invites Orpheus, Chiron, Heracles, and Perseus to a feast and to play a game of Hearts.

What did Orion do to not get invited to the feast?

The Rules of Hearts

1. At the start of the game, each player is given 13 cards.
 - a. The ranking of the card values, from highest to lowest, is Ace, King, Queen, Jack, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2.
2. The player holding the 2 of Clubs makes the first move.
3. All four players take a turn in clockwise order and must put a card down for each round (trick). There are 13 total tricks.
4. Each player must follow the leading card's suit. If a player is void of the suit led, a card of any other suit may be discarded.
5. The highest card of the suit led wins a trick, and collects the cards in the trick for later scoring. The winner of the trick then leads the next trick.
6. Hearts may not be led until a Heart or the Queen of Spades has been discarded. The Queen of Spades can be led at any time.
7. Scoring is determined by who received the 13 Hearts and the Queen of Spades.

The players are listed here in clockwise order at the table:
Heracles, Chiron, Perseus, Orpheus.



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Andromeda has seen everyone's hand, and has worked out how each player will play the cards in the table below. She gives her lover, Perseus, a surefire strategy on how to win the game: "Play in suit order Hearts, Spades, Diamonds, then Clubs, tiebreaking by playing the highest-value card." Perseus's hand is shown below:

K♥ K♠ Q♠ 10♠ 9♠ 7♠ K♦ 10♦ 9♦ 8♦ 6♦ K♣ Q♣

Over the game, Heracles, Chiron, and Orpheus played the following cards on each trick.

TRICK	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Heracles	2♣	5♠	J♠	7♥	2♠	7♦	9♣	10♣	J♥	3♦	6♥	3♣	4♥
Chiron	4♣	8♠	2♥	3♥	4♦	A♦	5♣	6♣	7♣	8♣	9♥	J♣	Q♥
Orpheus	A♣	4♠	3♠	5♥	A♠	Q♦	A♥	6♠	10♥	J♦	2♦	5♦	8♥

TRICK	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Trick Leader													
2nd Player													
3rd Player													
4th Player													

Score Board

TRICK	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Trick Leader	C	A	S	H	P	R	I	Z	E	S	F	O	R
2nd Player	A	L	S	O	A	H	O	S	T	A	F	R	O
3rd Player	F	E	A	R	D	U	T	C	H	G	E	R	M
4th Player	B	L	O	O	D	D	O	N	A	T	I	O	N