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Rules

PLACE TWO PILES OF CARDS, ONE FOR ABILITIES AND OTHER FOR BASES, ON THE DESIGNATED SLOTS ON THE BOARD.

PLAYERS DRAW 5 CARDS FROM ANY OR BOTH PILES, AND MAY PLACE THEIR BASES ON THE BOARD IF THEY ARE NOT SATISFIED WITH THEIR CARDS, THEY MAY DISCARD THEM ALL AND DRAW 5 MORE.

THEN THEY START PLAYING, ALTERNATING TURNS;

A PLAYER'S TURN

IN HIS TURN, HE MUST DECIDE WHETHER TO

RENEWING THE GAME MEANS BOTH PLAYERS MUST EXECUTE THE RENEWAL SEQUENCE BELOW.

RENEWAL SEQUENCE

RECRUIT TROOPS. THIS MEANS YOU MUST PLACE A COUNTER MARKING "I" ON EACH BASE THAT HAS NO COUNTERS, AND ADDIST IT TO MARK "2" ON BASES THAT ALREADY HAVE A COUNTER. NO BASE MAY EVER HOLD MORE THAN 2 TROOPS, AND TROOPS CANNOT EXIST WITHOUT BASES.

DRAW 2 CARDS (IF YOU EXCEED THE HAND LIMIT OF 5 CARDS, DISCARD UNTIL YOU REACH THE LIMIT).

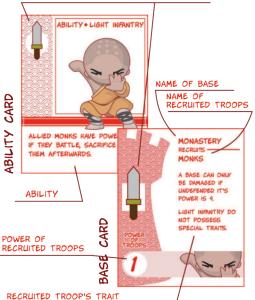
PLAY NEW BASES.

AFTER RENEWAL OR HAVING ANOUNCED NOT TO RENEW, THE PLAYER MAY DECLARE ATTACKS, AND BOTH PLAYERS MAY PLAY ABILITIES.

WHEN HE'S FINISHED, THE PLAYER MUST END HIS TURN. THE OPPONENT MUST THEN FOLLOW THE SAME STEPS, UNTIL ONE OF THEM DESTROYS THE OPPONENT'S CASTLE.

SINCE THERE IS A LUCK COMPONENT IN THE GAME, IT IS CUSTOMARY TO ALLOW THE LOSER A REMATCH, SO THE WINNER IS THE ONE TO WIN 2 OUT OF 3 MATCHES.

ICON REPRESENTING THE TROOP'S TYPE



There is no life without honor. There is no honor without victory. TO UNDERSTAND HOW COMBAT WORKS, NOTE THAT EACH PLAYER'S FIELD IS DIVIDED INTO THREE TERRITORIES, EACH ONE CONTAINING THREE BASES' SLOTS. BASES DICTATE WHICH TYPE OF TROOP YOU HAVE WILL BE AVAILABLE, TROOPS IN THE SAME TERRITORY SHALL BATTLE TOGETHER.

BATTLES

TO LAUNCH AN ATTACK, ONE MUST CHOOSE ONE OF HIS TERRITORIES TO SEND HIS TROOPS FROM AND ONE OF HIS OPPONENT'S AS TARGET. ONLY ONE TERRITORY FROM EACH PLAYER MAY BE INVOLVED IN A BATTLE AND ALL TROOPS ON THOSE TERRITORIES MUST FIGHT.

KEEP THESE 2 CONCEPTS IN MIND:

- EVERY TROOP BASE AND PALACE HAS A POWER LEVEL INDICATING HOW MUCH DAMAGE IT INPLICTS AS WELL AS HOW MUCH DAMAGE IT TAKES TO DESTROY IT, IF ITS POWER DROPS BELOW I, A TROOP IS KILLED AUTOMATICALLY WHEN IN BATTLE (AS DO BASES, BUT ONLY IF THEY ARE LINDEFEADED).
- THE POWER OF TROOPS IS INDICATED ON THE BASE THAT RECRUITED THEM, BASES HAVE POWER 4 AND PALACES HAVE POWER ID.

BATTLES ARE DIVIDED INTO TWO STAGES. ON THE FIRST, BOTH PLAYERS MAY PLAY AS MANY ABILITIES AS THEY WISH. THE DEFENDER MAY PLAY THE FIRST ONE.

THE SECOND IS THE COMBAT STAGE, WHEN DAMAGE IS COMPUTED

PLAYERS MAY CHOOSE THE ORDER IN WHICH HIS TROOPS DEAL DAMAGE AND TO WHICH TARGETS. WHEN A TARGET RECEIVES DAMAGE EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN HIS OWN POWER, IT WILL BE DESTROYED BY THE END OF THE BATTLE, BUT IT WILL STILL INFLICT DAMAGE EQUAL TO ITS POWER.

WELL, EXCEPT FOR TROOPS WITH 'INITIATIVE'. TROOPS WITH THIS TRAIT, (E.G. SHOOTERS) MUST DEAL THEIR DAMAGE FIRST AND THEIR TARGETS ARE KILLED BEFORE THEY CAN DEAL THEIR OWN DAMAGE (EXCEPT IF TARGETS ARE BASES OR ARE OTHER TROOPS WITH 'INITIATIVE').

ANOTHER TRAIT AVAILABLE TO TROOPS IS 'ARTILLERY', WHICH MEANS THEY CANNOT DEAL DAMAGE TO TROOPS, ONLY TO BASES AND PALACES.

THE ATTACKER'S TROOPS ARE CONSIDERED 'IN COMBAT' AND ALSO THE DEFENDER'S TROOPS AND BASES, MEANING THEY CAUSE AND TAKE DAMAGE. BASES, THOUGH, CAN ONLY BE DAMAGED IF THERE ARE NO MORE TROOPS ALIVE DEFENDING THEIR TERRITORY.

IF THE ATTACKING FORCES MANAGE TO WIPE OUT THE ENEMY'S DEFENSES, THEIR SURVING TROOPS ARE FULLY HEALED AND BEGIN A NEW BATTLE, NOW AGAINST THE PALACE.

EXCEPT FOR THE RENEWEL STAGE, PLAYERS MAY PLAY ABILITIES AT WILL. THERE ARE THREE DIFFERENT KINDS OF ABILITIES, DESCRIBED BELOW.

TYPES OF ABILITIES

TROOP ABILITIES CARRY THE ICON OF A TROOP TYPE, AND THEIR EFFECTS ARE TIED TO THAT TYPE.

COMMON ABILITIES CARRY A HAND ICON. THEY DON'T RESTRICT THEMSELVES TO A TROOP TYPE, AND BENEFIT THE WHOLE ARMY.

TROOP AND COMMON ABILITIES STAY IN EFFECT LINTIL THE END OF THE TURN, BEING THEN DISCARDED

GAME ICONS



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: LIGHT INFANTRY, SHOOTER, HEAVY INFANTRY, CAVALRY, SIEGE WEAPON, COMMON AND SPECIAL ABILITY.

SPECIAL ABILITIES CARRY A STAR ICON, AND ACT VERY DIFFERENTLY. YOU MUST PLAY THEM ON YOUR PALACE, WHERE THESE CARDS WILL ACT AS COUNTERS OF SPECIAL TROOPS. THESE TROOPS MAY ATTACK AND DEFEND NORMALLY, AND MOST HAVE UNIQUE CAPABILITIES.

YOU MUST OWN ONE TERRITORY COMPLETE WITH 3 BASES FOR EACH SPECIAL TROOP YOU HAVE. YOU MUST DISCARD THOSE TROOPS YOU CANNOT KEEP.

BELOW ARE DOUBTS THAT HAUNT SOME OF ATTACK THE TOWER'S GENERALS.

Does this manual contain all the rules?

Sort of. It contains enough rules to know and enjoy the game – you shouldn't need anything else. It is, though, a brief summary of the Tournament Manual. There you'll find the rules in detail, so to avoid ambiguity and omissions.

Where can I get the Tournament Manual?

At www.ocastudios.com/bronze/attack-the-tower

Are the cards used in Tournaments any different?

No. They're the same. The rules are more detailed but are also, essentially, the same.

The manual says that I must discard excess cards after drawing them. May I wait and discard them only by the end of the Renewal Sequence?

No. You must follow the steps in order.

Can I attack multiple times in a turn?

Yes, as long as you have Troops.

May I do one attack with multiple Territories? No.

May I attack with Bases?

Nope. Only Troops may attack.

May Special Troops attack? Even the Treant? Yes and yes.

Do Abilities that affect Bases also affect the Palace? For example, if a card destroys Troops on a Base, may I use it to destroy Special Troops on the Palace?

My Troops have attack and failed to destroy the enemy's Bases. But the Defender has also failed to destroy my Troops. So what now?

In this rare event, the attacking Troops are sacrified.

My Troops have successfully destroy the enemy Bases, but I don't want survivors to attack the Palace. Can they return or attack another Territory?

No. Troops never return from an attack. Marching forward is not optional in this case.

I caused *x* ponits of damage to the Palace. In another attack, does it only takes *10-x* points to destroy it?

No. After a combat, all damade inflicted to surviving Troops, Bases and Palaces are forgotten. All damage necessary to destroy the Palace must come from one single attack.

May I play Bases on the opponent's turn? And Abilities?

Bases may only be played in the designated step during the Renewal Sequence, no matter if it's your turn or your adversary's. Abilities may be played at any time, no matter whose turn, except during the Renewing Sequence.

Neither me nor my opponent wish to attack. Has the game crashed?

It means someone should be paying more attention - attacking is bound to be advantageus for one of you. But if you insist on it, you may adopt the Tournament rule that state that, if a player does not Renewal or attack in one turn, the opponent is obliged to renew or attack.

 $\label{thm:local_model} \mbox{May I attack with only some of the Troops of my Territory?}$

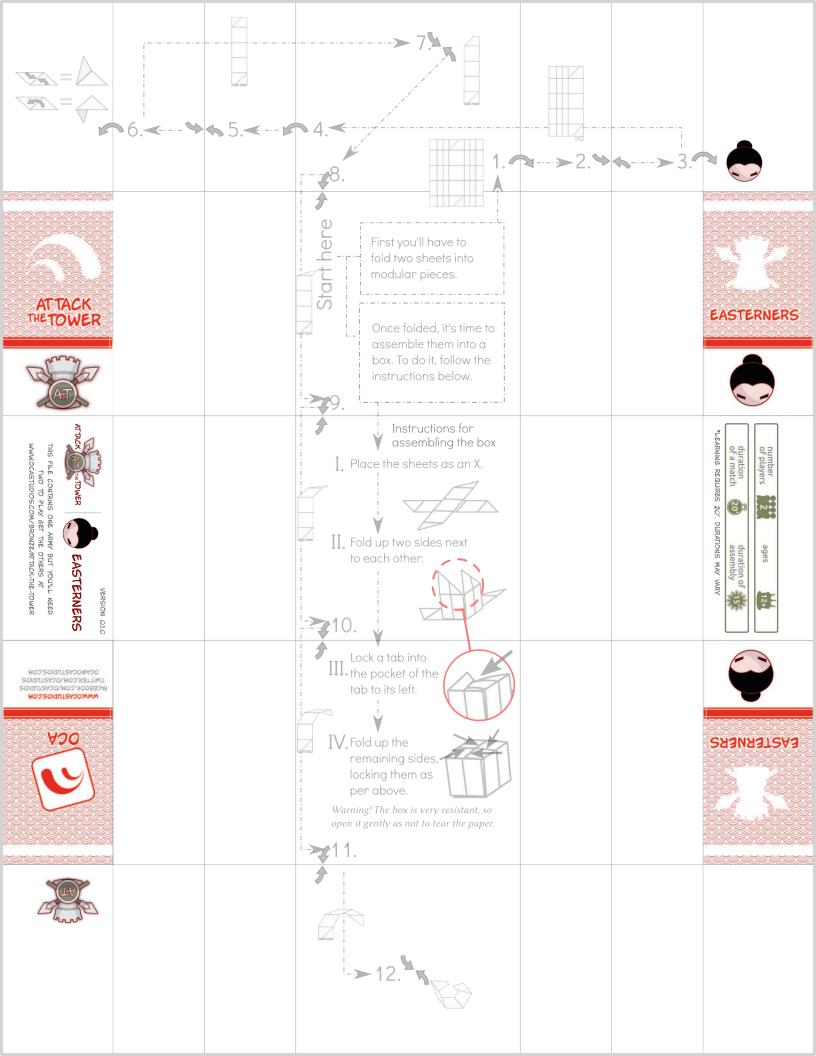
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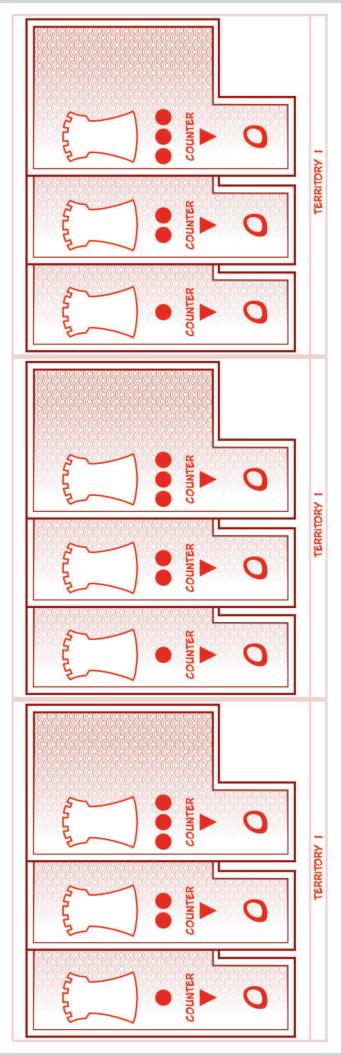
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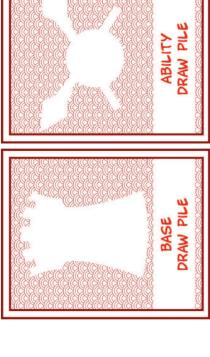
This question refers to the rule, popular among other card games, that sttaes that a player may play a card right after ("in response to") an action by his opponent, and have its effects happen before it. For example, you would be able to annul an opponent's attack by playing the Fae's Common Ability, that prevents him from declaring attacks. This rule, surprisingly for some players, does not exist in Attack the Tower. Effects in this game take place in the order they are played, so the example above does not work.

Do Troops leave their Bases when attacking? I mean, may I play an Ability such as "Destroy all Troops in a Base" when these Troops are attacking?

When interpreting cards, assume Troops never leave their Bases. So no, they don't, and yes, you may.







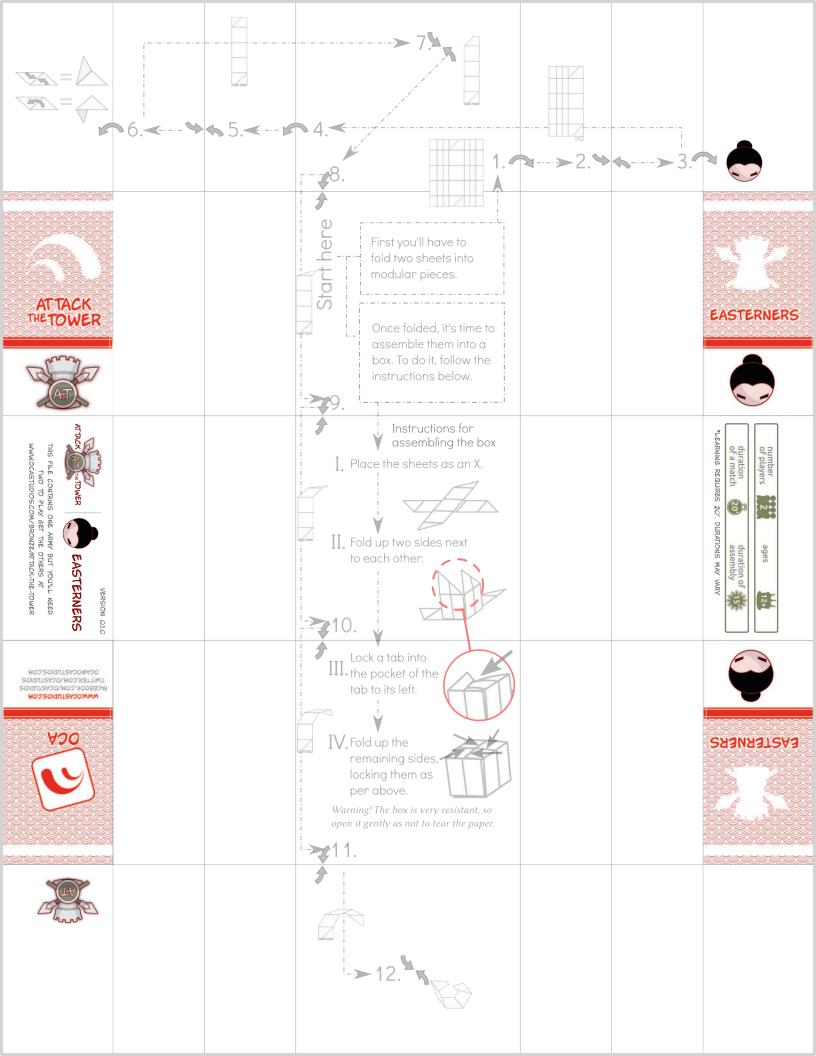
PALACE

ABILITY DISCARD PILE

BASE DISCARD PILE THE PALACE WILL ONLY TAKE DAMAGE IF UNGUARDED BY SPECIAL TROOPS, IT HAS POWER 10 AND IF DESTROYED, YOU LOSE THE GAME.

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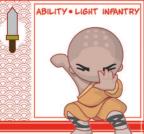




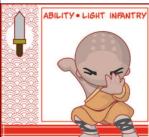
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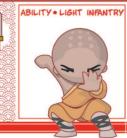
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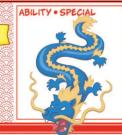
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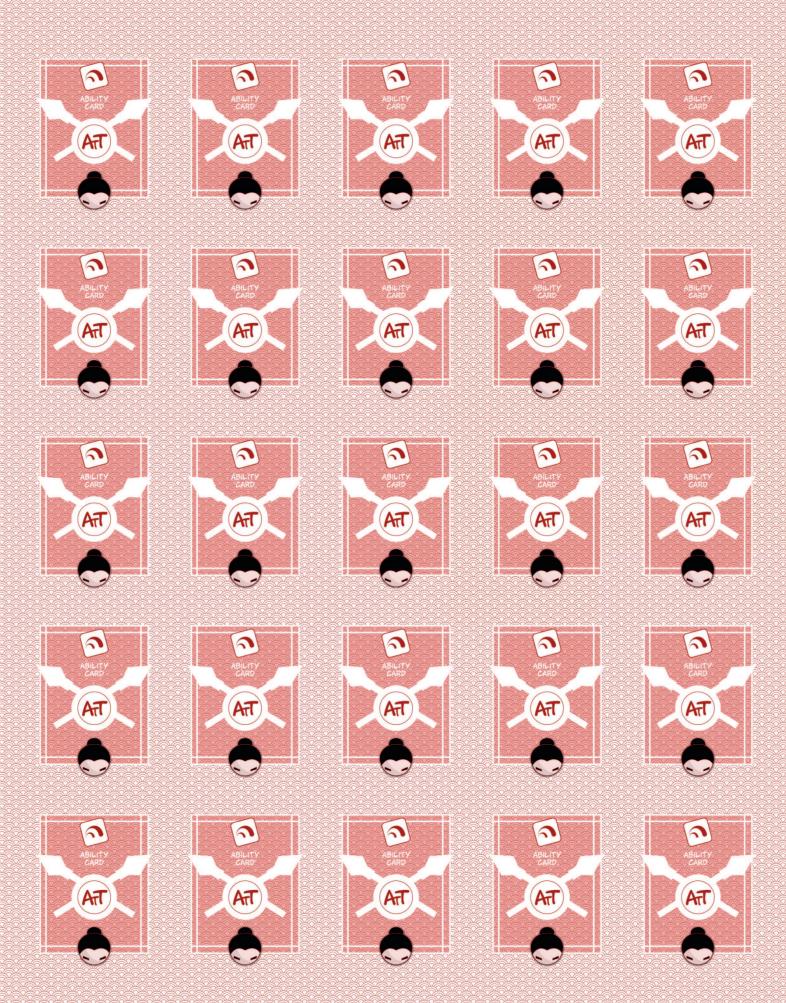
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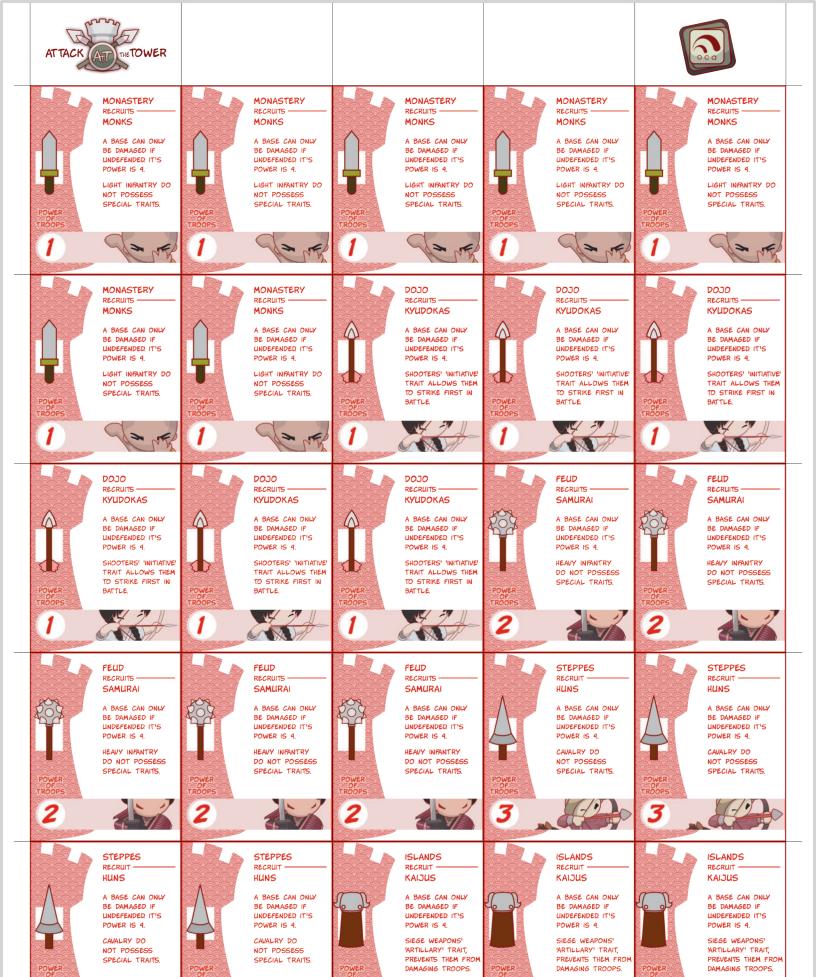


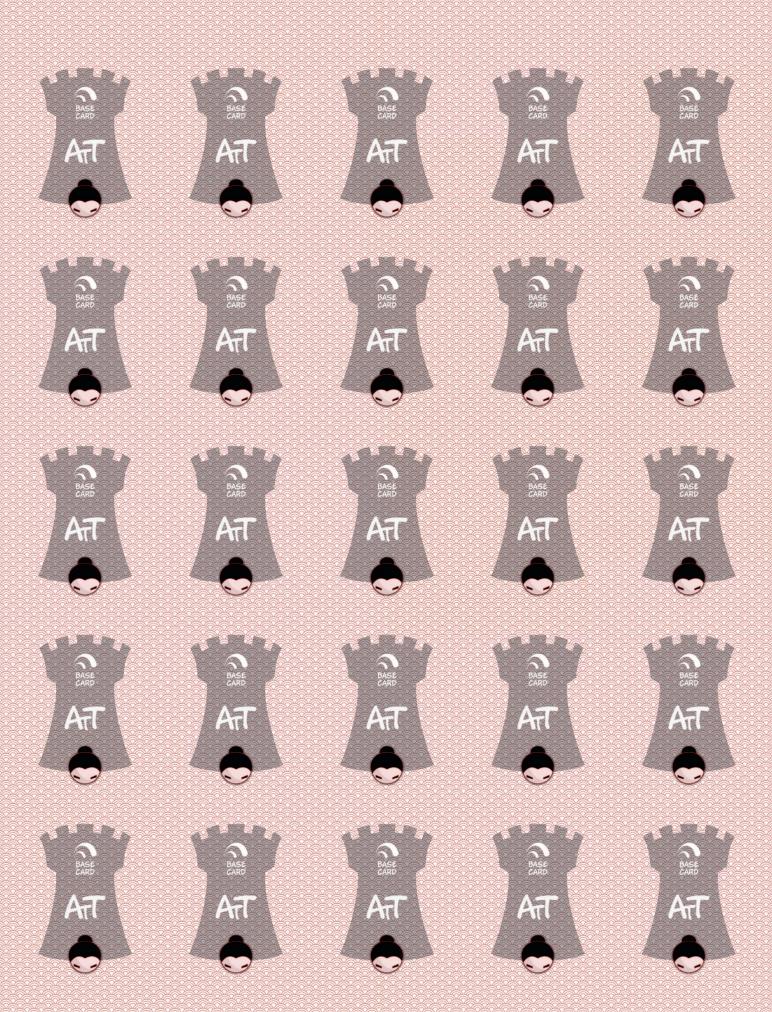
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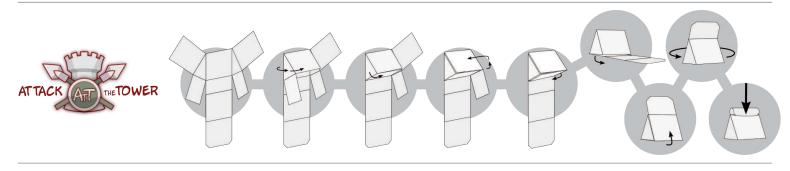


RECRUIT A SHENLONG ON YOUR PALACE, IT HAS POWER 4 AND, WHILE IN PLAY IT ALLOWS YOU TO DRAW ONE EXTRA CARD DURING THE RENOVATION SEQUENCES.











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