



HOW TO PRINT

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- +USE PAPER OR CARDSTOCK**
- NO NEED TO CUT THE PLOT MAPS, BUT YOU CAN TAPE OR GLUE THEM TOGETHER, OR HOLE PUNCH AND PUT THEM IN TRAPPER KEEPER.**
- +USE SCISSORS, ONE OF THOSE BIG CHOPPY ARM THINGS, OR A STRAIGHT EDGE AND EXACTO KNIFE TO CUT ALONG THE DOTTED LINES OF THE CARDS**

HOW TO PLAY



SETUP:

1. Pick your premise:
 - Choose a genre of trope cards
 - Choose a plot map to play on
2. Arrange play area:
 - plot map in the middle
 - deck somewhere you can reach
 - replay cards nearby
3. Deal 3 cards to each player
4. Game's owner (whoever cut out all those cards) makes up a rule to decide who's the first narrator

VARIANTS:

FREESTYLE:

Instead of taking submissions, the Narrator chooses a card from hand. Players can draw cards whenever they don't like their options. Fewest cards at end of story wins.

CYBER:

For online play, set up your camera to show the board and a row of cards and play freestyle. For a prime example of how this can be done check out our livestream!

For way more variations on how to play, check out TropeQuest.com

YOUR TURN:

1. You're the Narrator! Read the next prompt on the plot map.
2. Players to your right and left each submit a card face down. Add one more face down card from the deck.
3. Shuffle these cards a bit, turn them over, and announce which one you think finishes the prompt best. You can also use a Replay instead to copy any card on the board.
4. Explain how your choice makes sense and impress the other players with your storytelling abilities.
5. Each player who played a card draws one. A player whose card was chosen draws an extra one. The player to your left goes next.

WINNING:

1. In a way, there is no single winner in a game of TropeQuest. Everyone wins. By having fun.
2. But in another, more realistic way, the person with the most cards at the end of the game is the winner
3. The winner then recounts their favorite scene narrated by another player. That player then becomes "The Chosen One" and actually wins.
4. The Chosen One reminds everyone that there is no real winner in a game of TropeQuest. No, everyone wins. By having fun.

**an android
pretending to
be human**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**an exotic
badass fighter
chick**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**a stoic, morally
ambiguous
bounty hunter**

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**this one-eyed,
tentacled blob
monster**

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**an adorable
fuzzy little
critter**

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**a huuge
freakin' worm**

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**the last
survivor
of an extinct
species**

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**a widely
recognized
science genius**

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**a visitor from
the 5th
dimension**

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**a hunky
starship
captain**

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**an astronaut
from 20th
Century Earth**

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**a bipedal
version of an
Earth creature**

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**a vast empire
that dominates
countless
worlds**

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**a literal space
cadet**

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**a secret cabal of
space wizards**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**a noble race of
warriors with
weird faces**

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**the astro-
aristocracy**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**a
planet-hopping
con artist**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**morally
questionable
science
experiments**

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**ubiquitous game
with rules that
are never
explained**

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**the failure to
understand
basic human
emotions**

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the time police

Tropequest: Space Tropera

space madness

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**the species that
created the
species that
created us**

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**a horde of
insectoid
creatures**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**assassination
plot featuring
a neat gadget**

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shooting first

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**rare substance
with unique
properties**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**being host to a
parasitic
organism**

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**a message from
a ghostly mentor**

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**an acrobatic
laser sword duel**

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space pox

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**catastrophic
systems failure**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**some kind of
space-time
anomaly**

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**the cold, empty
vacuum of space**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**interspecies
hanky panky**

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a mysterious alien artifact

Tropequest: Space Tropera

a spaceship named after how it looks

Tropequest: Space Tropera

weird space drugs

Tropequest: Space Tropera

a possibly unnecessary self destruct button

Tropequest: Space Tropera

an extreme reaction to something pretty normal

Tropequest: Space Tropera

vanishing in a flash of light

Tropequest: Space Tropera

flavorless nutrient paste with unknown ingredients

Tropequest: Space Tropera

the galactic civil war

Tropequest: Space Tropera

a paragraph of bright yellow text floating off into the void

Tropequest: Space Tropera

finally, at long last, a functional hoverboard

Tropequest: Space Tropera

high tech goggles

Tropequest: Space Tropera

a space suit that does not sacrifice style for protection

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**a planet
destroying
superweapon**

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**picking up a
distress beacon**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**genetic
manipulation**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**invasive medical
procedures**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**an eerily
specific ancient
prophecy**

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**energy beam
that does
something other
than kill stuff**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**convenient
teleportation**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**an impenetrable
force field**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**a simulation
indistinguishable
from reality**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**a previously
unknown
familial
connection**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**ripples of
mysterious
energy**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

**an exact
duplicate**

Tropequest: Space Tropera

REPLAY

THIS CARD IS PLAYED AS A COPY OF A CARD ALREADY ON THE BOARD. JUST PUT THE CORRESPONDING TOKEN ON THE CARD YOU WANT TO COPY.

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