

Date Bracket

Passing Notes · a date-night game

You don't have to agree on a plan. Just agree to play.

2 players · 2–4 min · a pen

Star one option. The rest play a tiny bracket. Both point. Disagree? Hands, not a coin.

Food

- 1 Rotisserie picnic
- 2 Dumpling boil
- 3 PB&J flight
- 4 Food-court nostalgia
- 5 One-pot pasta

R1 _____ Semi _____ Final _____

[flick from here](#)



A4 · color

or play it on a phone: playpassingnotes.com (optional)

How to play

How you pick

1. Pick Zero Thought (printed defaults), Make It Ours (write over any line), or Blank Slate (use the blank sheet).
2. You need exactly five live options in every category or you do not start.
3. Before play, draw a star on one option in that category. That option sits out until the final. If you disagree, play one real RPS. Winner places the star.
4. Line up the remaining options in the order they are written. Pair the first with the second, and the third with the fourth. Do not use the original numbers if the star was in the middle.
5. Each match: both point. Same pick advances. Different picks: play RPS, or flick a highlighter from the printed start line. The option it stops closer to advances. On the line = flick again. Never flip a coin for the winner.
6. The two R1 winners play the semi. The semi winner plays the star in the final.
7. Do this four times, once per category.

Worked bracket (locked oracle)

Food star on 5 = One-pot pasta
remaining = Rotisserie picnic, Dumpling boil, PB&J flight, Food-court nostalgia
1v2 → Rotisserie picnic (earlier)
3v4 → PB&J flight (earlier)
Semi → Rotisserie picnic
Final vs One-pot pasta → Rotisserie picnic

Digital must match this pairing. Same options + same star + same points = same champion.

Quick Play · Zero Thought

Food

1 Rotisserie picnic

2 Dumpling boil

3 PB&J flight

4 Food-court nostalgia

5 One-pot pasta

R1

Semi

Final

Activity

1 Golden-hour errands

2 Bench-sitting championship

3 Free-night museum

4 Catch-and-release thrift

5 Walk until a dog

R1

Semi

Final

Game

1 Rummy

2 Dots and boxes

3 RPS best of seven

4 Hat charades

5 Tabletop paper football

R1

Semi

Final

Entertainment

1 Opening-credits night

2 One episode then talk

3 Vinyl side B

4 Ice-cream line as the show

5 Name the moon

R1

Semi

Final

TONIGHT

Custom Play · Make It Ours

Ghost type is a default. Write over it, or circle it to keep it. Star one, then play the rest.

Food

1

Rotisserie picnic

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2

Dumpling boil

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3

PB&J flight

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4

Food-court nostalgia

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5

One-pot pasta

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R1

Semi

Final

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Activity

1

Golden-hour errands

*

2

Bench-sitting championship

*

3

Free-night museum

*

4

Catch-and-release thrift

*

5

Walk until a dog

*

R1

Semi

Final

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Game

1

Rummy

*

2

Dots and boxes

*

3

RPS best of seven

*

4

Hat charades

*

5

Tabletop paper football

*

R1

Semi

Final

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Entertainment

1

Opening-credits night

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2

One episode then talk

*

3

Vinyl side B

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4

Ice-cream line as the show

*

5

Name the moon

*

R1

Semi

Final

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Blank Slate

No defaults. Write five options in each category. Does not refill.

Food

1

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R1

Semi

Final

click from here

Activity

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R1

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Final

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Game

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Entertainment

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TONIGHT

Completed example · Food star on 5

Locked food oracle: star on 5, always earlier-in-list → Rotisserie picnic. Same star-on-5 on the other three.

Food

1 Rotisserie picnic

2 Dumpling boil

3 PB&J flight

4 Food-court nostalgia

5 One-pot pasta bye

R1 Rotisserie picnic · PB&J flight

Semi Rotisserie picnic Final Rotisserie picnic

Activity

1 Golden-hour errands

2 Bench-sitting championship

3 Free-night museum

4 Catch-and-release thrift

5 Walk until a dog bye

R1 Golden-hour errands · Free-night museum

Semi Golden-hour errands Final Golden-hour errands

Game

1 Rummy

2 Dots and boxes

3 RPS best of seven

4 Hat charades

5 Tabletop paper football bye

R1 Rummy · RPS best of seven

Semi Rummy Final Rummy

Entertainment

1 Opening-credits night

2 One episode then talk

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4 Ice-cream line as the show

5 Name the moon bye

R1 Opening-credits night · Vinyl side B

Semi Opening-credits night Final Opening-credits night

TONIGHT

Tonight: Rotisserie picnic · Golden-hour errands · Rummy · Opening-credits night