

# IT'S IN THE BAG

**PLAYERS:** 2-6

**TIME:** 10-15 MIN

**DESIGNER:** JORDAN DRAPER

**GAME TYPE:** BETTING, BLUFFING

It's a race to the top in this betting game of bluffing and perception!

**SETUP:** Give each player 5x 100 yen coins, and 2x 500 yen coins, 1x 1,000 yen bill, and 1x 5,000 yen bill. Set the rest of the currency to the side so it is not confused. Place the bag in the center of all players. Money is kept secret in this game.

**GAMEPLAY:** Each round, all players will add 1 item of currency to the bag. The bag should never move from its starting position on the table, and never be lifted. To add an item, simply lift the opening of the bag and slide your item inside. If you wish to play a completely secretive version of the game, have other players close their eyes while you add your item.

Once all players have added a single currency item, hold a blind bid for the contents of what is in the bag. All players use their own currency, place their bid in their fist, and reveal simultaneously. If there is a tie, everyone takes their bid back and bids again with a different amount than their last bid. You must always bid at least 100 yen. All bids are then placed in a separate pile next to the bag, the highest bidder takes all of the yen currently in the bag, and then places all yen used to bid that round in the bag after.

Repeat this process, starting with players adding a single currency item to the bag, until one player has 10,000 yen or more after a bidding round. If a player ever has 0 yen, they will receive 200 pity yen from the external supply.

**SCORING:** Once the game end is triggered, all players count their yen, and this is their final score. The player with the most yen is the winner!

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