

Board Game Night Checklist

Step 1: Choose a Game

- ☐ Pick a game appropriate for the number of guests
- ☐ Ensure the game matches the group's experience level and interest
- ☐ Read the rulebook or watch a rules video
- ☐ Play a test game (if possible)
- ☐ Prepare a short, clear explanation of the rules

Step 2: Invite Your Guests

- ☐ Choose friends who will enjoy the chosen game
- ☐ Double-check the player count limit
- ☐ Send out invites with date/time and address
- ☐ Ask about dietary restrictions or allergies
- ☐ Remind them of the game being played



Step 3: Prep the Table and Space

- ☐ Clear and clean the game table
- ☐ Add chairs/cushions for all players
- ☐ Provide good lighting (especially over the game area)
- ☐ Set up music or ambient sound (optional)
- ☐ Notify housemates if it'll be loud or late
- ☐ Set up extra side tables for snacks/drinks

Step 4: Snacks and Drinks

- ☐ Prepare low-mess snacks (popcorn, pretzels, veggie sticks, etc.)
- ☐ Avoid greasy, saucy, or sticky foods
- ☐ Offer a variety of drinks (non-alcoholic and alcoholic)
- ☐ Label cups/glasses to avoid confusion
- ☐ Check for dietary restrictions or allergies
- ☐ Set up a "no food on the board" zone

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Step 5: Have a Great Time

- ☐ Greet everyone and explain the night's game plan
- ☐ Be ready to teach the game confidently
- ☐ Encourage everyone to have fun-especially newcomers
- ☐ Keep things light-hearted, even if it gets competitive
- ☐ Be flexible-switch games if people aren't into it
- ☐ Celebrate great plays and good company

