

THE INCREDIBLE JOURNEY GAME CARDS

On these five pages cut out the following game cards:

10 - Northern Cards

10 - Southern Cards

14 - Staging Cards



NORTHERN CARD

Bad news! Unusually bad weather has limited your feeding time. You are too weak to make it to the first staging area. You die and must go to the sideline.



NORTHERN CARD

Yeah! Good weather and only a few predators have made it a great nesting season. Pick two people from the sidelines to migrate with you.



NORTHERN CARD

Hurrah! It's been a warm, wet summer. You have had an abundance of shore flies and dance flies to feed on. Your nesting is successful. Take one person from the sidelines with you. Begin migration.



NORTHERN CARD

Great! You have successfully hatched and fledged one of your young. Pick one person to migrate with you.



NORTHERN CARD

Bummer! A large fox population this year has increased fatalities. You are eaten. Go to the sideline.

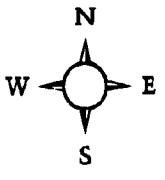


NORTHERN CARD

Yum! There is an abundance of amphipods and snails this year. You have doubled your body weight easily. You have had a successful nest, take two people to migrate with you. Begin migrating!



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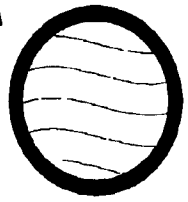
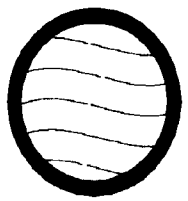
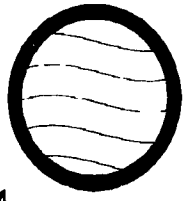
Northern Breeding Grounds

Use tape, chalk, or cones to mark off areas.

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Southern Wintering Grounds

Use tape, chalk, or cones to mark off areas.

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SOUTHERN CARD

Oh no! More wetlands have been drained and turned into agricultural areas. You are unable to find enough food and eventually die. Go to the sideline.



SOUTHERN CARD

Worms! Oodles of Freshwater worms! It's been a great winter with lots of food. You are easily able to increase your body weight from 20 grams to 40 grams for the long migration to the Arctic tundra. Migrate to the first staging area.



SOUTHERN CARD

Good News! Educating people about the need to preserve wetlands has paid off. You have more wetlands and abundant food. You begin your next migration in good health.



SOUTHERN CARD

Moo! The cattle industry is booming in South America. Your winter habitat is severely overgrazed making it difficult to eat enough to put on an adequate fat load for migration. You must skip to your first staging area.



SOUTHERN CARD

Starvin' Arvin! Overcrowding due to loss of wetlands has increased competition for what little food there is. You do not have an adequate fat load and your migration is difficult. You may skip to your first staging area.



SOUTHERN CARD

BANG! Hunting of shorebirds is still legal in South America. You are shot by a hungry hunter. Go to the sideline.



SOUTHERN CARD

Yuck! You are feeding on aquatic insects that have been contaminated with DDT in the run off from agricultural lands surrounding your wetland habitat. You become sick and die. Go to the sideline.



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NORTHERN CARD

You are young and are not able to put on a sufficient fat load before migration begins. You are not as strong. Skip to the first staging area.



NORTHERN CARD

Yipes! It's been a good year for weasels and a bad year for eggs. You have no young survive. Food was abundant. Begin migration.



SOUTHERN CARD

How disappointing! You have had a rough nine months at your wintering grounds. Part of the wetlands you have always returned to have been drained, causing more birds to compete for less food. You are weak, hop on one foot to the first staging area.



NORTHERN CARD

Lost wetlands on the way to your breeding grounds made you late on arrival time and weak. You do not have time to reproduce. Crane flies and blood worms are abundant, you double your weight. Begin your migration.



SOUTHERN CARD

Yipee! It's been a good winter! A new wetland reserve area has been added to your winter grounds. There was plenty of food. Fly to your first staging area.



NORTHERN CARD

Continued severe weather in the Arctic tundra caused you to not lay eggs. You have difficulty finding a sufficient supply of invertebrate prey (animals you eat). You struggle to keep up with the flock. Hop on one foot to your first staging area.



SOUTHERN CARD

Too bad! Agriculture is spreading on your wintering grounds, and as a result so is DDT. You are poisoned by this lethal pesticide and die. Go to the sideline.



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STAGING AREA

Bye, bye! You did not find enough food to replenish your fat load and the flock you were traveling with has left without you. You must wait one turn to continue on with another flock.



STAGING AREA

This is unnerving! You are on the perimeter (outer edge) of the flock and must constantly be on the look out for predators. You do not eat enough to put on an adequate fat load. Hop to the next staging area.



STAGING AREA

Goey! You find one of your coastal staging areas to be covered with the results of an oil spill. You become covered with the thick goo and are unable to eat, fly, or maintain any body heat. You die. Go to the sideline.



STAGING AREA

Ugh! You have run into a head wind (wind blowing against you) and you are burning up a lot of energy. Take two steps forward and one step back as you make your way along your migration.



STAGING AREA

Whoopieee! Education about wetlands has gained public support for the restoration of wetland areas. You have an abundance of snails and freshwater worms to feed on! You begin your migration in good health.



STAGING AREA

ZAP! New radio towers have been built across your migration route. You are zapped and die. Go to the sideline.



STAGING AREA

You find yourself feeding in the safety of the flock. Craneflies, danceflies and shoreflies are abundant. You double your weight easily. Move on to the next staging area.



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STAGING AREA

What!? Your usual staging ground is swarming with people! A new recreation center has been opened at your staging area. Being around so many people makes feeding difficult. You do not store enough energy. Walk to your next staging area.



STAGING AREA

Hooray! The Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network has done a great deal to preserve important shorebird sites along your migration route. You find a surplus of food and quickly refuel for your continued migration.



STAGING AREA

Brrrr! Bad weather makes for a slow migration! Side step to your next staging area.



STAGING AREA

Bad stuff! You find that this staging area has been contaminated with pesticides from surrounding agricultural lands. You become ill and die. Go to the sideline.



STAGING AREA

WHEEEEEEE! You've got a full stomach and a tail wind pushing you on to your next staging area. A predator can't even catch you! Arrive at your next staging area quickly and safely.



STAGING AREA

Yikes! Your usual staging area has been drained for farming. You must scrounge to find enough food for the next leg of your journey. Hop on one foot to the next staging area.



STAGING AREA

Gobble, gobble! You have had warm weather and abundant food at this staging area. You have easily increased your weight by 100%! Begin your migration again.

