



Five Card Stud

Poker is a card game played with a normal deck of 52 playing cards (There is a game called Ross Perot Poker which is played with less than a full deck of cards.) Each card has a value this is usually called high to low, the order is: Ace, King, Queen, Jack, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2. Aces are ALWAYS high. The Ace is worth more than a King which in turn is worth more than a Queen and the Queen is worth more than the Jack this goes on down the order two being the lowest card.

The normal deck of cards is made up of four suits these are CLUBS, SPADES, HEARTS and DIAMONDS, the last two are coloured red the first two are black. No suit is worth more than another suit in poker.

To play poker each player is dealt five cards. The object is to make the highest value hand from those cards. There are ten hand in 5 card draw these are from best to worse.

1	Royal Flush	2	Straight Flush	3	Four of a Kind	4	Full House
5	Flush	6	Straight	7	Three of a Kind	8	Two Pair
9	One Pair	10	High Card				

1. The most valuable hand in Poker is the Royal Flush the reason it is the most valuable is because it's the hardest hand to get. It is comprised of Ace, King, Queen, Jack & Ten all of the same suit. i.e. Ace of hearts, King of hearts, Queen of hearts, Jack of hearts. 10 of hearts. It could also be of clubs diamonds or spades.

2. The next most valuable hand is a straight flush this is five cards of the same suit in numerical order. If there are two straight flushes at the table the one with the highest value card wins e.g. if player one has 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and player two has 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 then player one's hand wins. You can't wrap around in poker that is J, Q, K, A, 2, is not allowed.

3. Four of a kind is in third place although self evident this hand requires 4 cards of the same value i.e. 9, 9, 9, 9. 2. If two players have four of a kind the highest value cards win e.g. four Jacks would beat four nines.

4. The next ranked hand is the Full House, this requires the five cards to be made up of three of a kind and a pair. e.g. A, A, A, 3, 3. If two players or more have a full house then the player with the highest ranking three of a kind wins.

For example Player one has 3, 3, 3, K, K
Player two has 6, 6, 6, 2, 2, Then player two wins.

5. A Flush this hand is made up of five cards of the same suit, it matters not who has the most high value cards in their hand a player only needs one really high card to win for example:

Player one has 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, A
Player two has 3, 5, 9, J, Q, K
Player one wins by virtue of the Ace being higher than the king.

Straight

Five cards in numerical order, regardless of their suits. Just like with the Straight Flush, a Straight cannot "wrap around." In a tie, whoever's Straight goes to a higher ranking card wins (so in the examples below, Hand 1 beats Hand 2).

Examples : HAND 1: 7 8 9 10 J
HAND 2: 3 4 5 6 7

Three of a Kind

Three cards of the same numerical rank, and two random cards that are not a pair.

Examples : HAND 1: 10 10 10 3 Q
 HAND 2: 2 2 2 8 9

Two Pair

Two sets of pairs, and another random card.

Examples : HAND 1: 7 7 J J 5
 HAND 2: Q Q K K A

One Pair

One pair and three random cards. If more than one person has a One Pair, then the person with the highest ranking pair wins.

Examples : HAND 1: 8 8 5 K 3
 HAND 2: 2 2 3 4 5

High Card

If none of the players have anything of value, the player holding the highest-valued card wins, with the 2 as the lowest card, and the Ace as the highest. In the case of a tie, you move to the next highest card, and continue.

Examples : HAND 1: 2 4 5 10 Q
 HAND 2: 2 8 9 10 J