

## RULES FOR D.Y.K.E.

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You've just bought the First Edition of D.Y.K.E. (Do You Know Enough?), and we hope you'll have as much fun playing the game as we did constructing it. We've tried to make the game informative as well as as fun to play and you'll find a wide range of topics included. Our general guideline, as we looked for questions/answers, was: Is it likely that some segments of the Lesbian population will know the answer? As with other "trivia" games, players will find they know more about some categories than others. Our goal has been to put together a game for Lesbians that will make us surer of the continuity of our tradition, more informed about our culture, and more visible to each other for our achievements.

D.Y.K.E. is not a typical "trivia" game. The questions/answers about Lesbian culture and accomplishments aren't insignificant details. They're important. The "trivial" questions included in D.Y.K.E. are drawn from heterosexual society, e.g., Where is the headquarters of the CIA?, What was the name of the first male hurricane?

This box contains 500 individual cards, each having six questions, a total of 3,000 questions and answers. There are six categories: ARTS (A), EARTH SCIENCE (ES), FUN & GAMES (FG), MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT (ME), OURSTORY (O), and POTLUCK (P).

ARTS (A) includes questions about painting, sculpture, quilting, literature, publishing, pottery, weaving, needlework, etc.

EARTH SCIENCE (ES) includes questions about topics conventionally regarded as "science," e.g., physics, geology, and astronomy, but also, and more importantly, gastronomy, wicca, magic, spirituality, herbal healing, astrology, female health, and Lesbian sexuality.

FUN & GAMES (FG) includes questions about wimmin's achievements in athletics, the rules for various sports, and games in general, like Monopoly, bridge, and poker.

MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT (ME) includes questions about films, who starred in them, and the character played by the stars, female and Lesbian musicians, their albums, and the songs they've written, as well as other aspects of "entertainment," comedy, drama, and television.

OURSTORY (O) contains questions about the lives of Lesbians and non-Lesbians, and significant events in wimmin's history.

The POTLUCK (P) category contains questions from the other five categories, as well as "general knowledge" questions about the doings of heterosexuals.

When in doubt, assume a female agent in questions unless otherwise specified.

As we collected our questions and answers, we had a strong sense that we were weaving a colorful, multi-textured tapestry of Lesbian culture, and we hope that you will have the same feeling as you play D.Y.K.E. and discover how the questions and answers in all six categories are woven together.

### PLAYING THE GAME

Since we couldn't afford to produce a board to accompany this First Edition of D.Y.K.E., players who have access to a Trivial Pursuit™ game board may want to use that, along with the rules and game pieces. If this is the case, we suggest matching our categories with the Trivial Pursuit™ colored spaces in the following manner:

ARTS	= Tan
EARTH SCIENCE	= Green
FUN & GAMES	= Orange
MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT	= Orchid
OURSTORY	= Yellow
POTLUCK	= Light Blue

We hope to be able to produce a game board to accompany the 1987 Edition of D.Y.K.E.

The point of D.Y.K.E. is an increased appreciation of Lesbian culture, so it doesn't matter exactly how you play the game. As you familiarize yourself with the questions and answers, you'll gain a sense of how much Lesbians and nonLesbians have achieved, achievements usually ignored or "trivialized" in conventional histories.

Like other trivia games available, D.Y.K.E. can be played in a variety of ways, depending on whether or not a board is used and how many players there are. It can be played as solitaire, in teams, or by up to six individual players. All you have to do to play is pass the box of cards around and take turns asking each other questions. You can decide on a time limit before you start or agree to go through a specific number of cards. You can play in a single category or alternate them. D.Y.K.E. can be played competitively or non-competitively. It's up to you.

If you have a game that contains a six-sided die, use the die to determine order of play and the number of moves available to each player during her turn. You can also throw the die before the game starts to determine which of the following rules you'll use.

If you throw 1: Each player is allowed three wrong answers before she loses her turn, unless she's going for a category "winner." Then she gets no hints at all!

2: If you eat while playing D.Y.K.E., you have to wipe your hands before handling the cards.

3: Number of hints players are allowed:

Liberal Feminists get 4 hints  
Lesbian-Feminists get 3 hints  
Dyke Separatists get 2 hints  
Dyke Separatist Witches get 1 hint  
Closeted Lesbians get no hints at all

4: While playing D.Y.K.E., players must be at least 20 feet away from their bookshelves.

5: Cats and other familiars are allowed to help with answers only in the EARTH SCIENCE category.

6: Naked Lesbians make up their own rules as they go along.

If players decide to play D.Y.K.E. competitively, they can play for points for correct answers and challenges, and deductions for incorrect answers or challenges. In this case, no hints are allowed, even from team members. If they play D.Y.K.E. non-competitively, as a collective adventure in Lesbian lore, then a player can be given up to **three** hints per question, and the only time limit is the good will of other players. Hints can include charades, humming a tune, making faces, signalling the number of syllables in the answer, or whatever your imagination suggests might help the player.

### THE ANSWERS

We have tried, since we began work on D.Y.K.E., to insure that the answers to our questions are **accurate**. Each question and its answer has been checked over and over in the sources we used. For example, in the course of our search, we found two dates for the founding of Olivia Records, 1973 and 1975. All but one of our sources said the



Records, 1973 and 1975. All but one of our sources said the founding date was 1973, and we went with that answer. The January, 1986 issue of Ms. magazine said that the "first" gay high school had been founded in New York City in 1985, but the August, 1983 issue of Gay Community News said the first gay high school was founded in Philadelphia, and we decided that GCN's information was probably more accurate than Ms. magazine's. If we were unable to find a reliable source for an answer, we dropped the question from this Edition of D.Y.K.E.

We are aware that some of the answers to the questions in D.Y.K.E. may differ from those given by players of the game, and, in spite of our efforts, we may have unknowingly included wrong answers. Should you discover, in the course of playing D.Y.K.E., that our answers are wrong or incomplete, we'd appreciate it if you'd take the time to write to us and correct the misinformation, giving us the date and place of your source of information so we can corroborate its accuracy for ourselves.

It's important to us that D.Y.K.E. contain accurate, verifiable answers about Lesbian lore. One of the things that creating this game taught us time and again was how much of Lesbian tradition and culture has already been LOST to us!!! We'd like to reverse this trend, to halt the erasure of Lesbian lives and achievements, and to insure that our culture and history will be recorded accurately and that we remain visible to each other in the years to come. The Lesbian and Gay Archives that are collecting and saving the documents of Lesbian lives are doing all of us an important service, but the results of their archiving remain inaccessible to large numbers of Lesbians. We hope that D.Y.K.E. will serve as an accessible way of recording and transmitting Lesbian culture.

We plan to produce a new set of 500 question/answer cards every year, to be available at the Michigan Womyn's Music Festival in August. If you don't find questions and answers about your favorite artist or athlete, if you notice that we've overlooked specific areas or historical facts, please send questions and answers to us. As long as we continue to produce new cards for D.Y.K.E., we'll also be looking for new and exciting facts about Lesbian living. Send your questions and answers, corrections, and suggestions to the LipService address below, including both the date and source of your information, so we can check it for ourselves.

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