BUG BATTLE KARUTA

昆虫バトルかるた

10 points

2 people~

6+

Welcome to the world of insects!

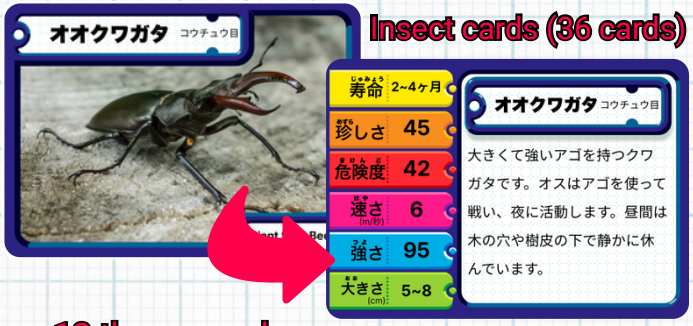
This game brings together amazing insects from all over the world! From beetles, grasshoppers, and butterflies to venomous scorpions and even giant Hercules beetles. Each insect has its own unique characteristics, such as size, lifespan, strength, and rarity.

Listen carefully to the theme card and quickly grab the insect that seems most likely to win! Then, compare the stats of the insects you've picked and battle your rivals! The winning player gets to keep the theme card.

Collect lots of theme cards, and who will have the most at the end?

So, which insect will you choose?

Components



Insect cards (36 cards)

12 theme cards





Set up

1. Spread the insect cards out on the table like a set of karuta cards.
2. Shuffle the theme cards. and place them face down in a deck.

Card Overview

The following information is printed on the back of the insect cards

life ○○	Speed ○○
Rarity ○○	strength ○○
Danger level ○○	size ○○

Game flow

1. **One player draws a theme card.**
2. **All players pick up the insect that best fits the theme.**
3. **Once everyone has drawn a card, they look at the back and read out the number that matches the theme.**
4. **The player with the strongest number for the theme gets that theme card as their winning point.**
5. **Discard the insect card you drew in front of you.**
6. **The next player draws a theme card, and the process starts again from step 1.**
7. **The game ends when either the theme cards or the insect cards run out!**
8. **The player with the most theme cards wins!**

Example of play



\Giant stag beetle WINS!/

Additional rules

Once you've gotten the hang of it, try adding the following rules! When the game ends, the theme card is worth 1 point. And, as a new rule, players can make "sets" using the cards they've taken. By making a set, you can earn extra points. A set consists of three cards.

🏆 **Score**
+1 point per set (3 cards)
Up to 2 sets (so a total of 2 additional points)
“Everyone's Favorite Set” - Get an extra point for being chosen as everyone's favorite set.

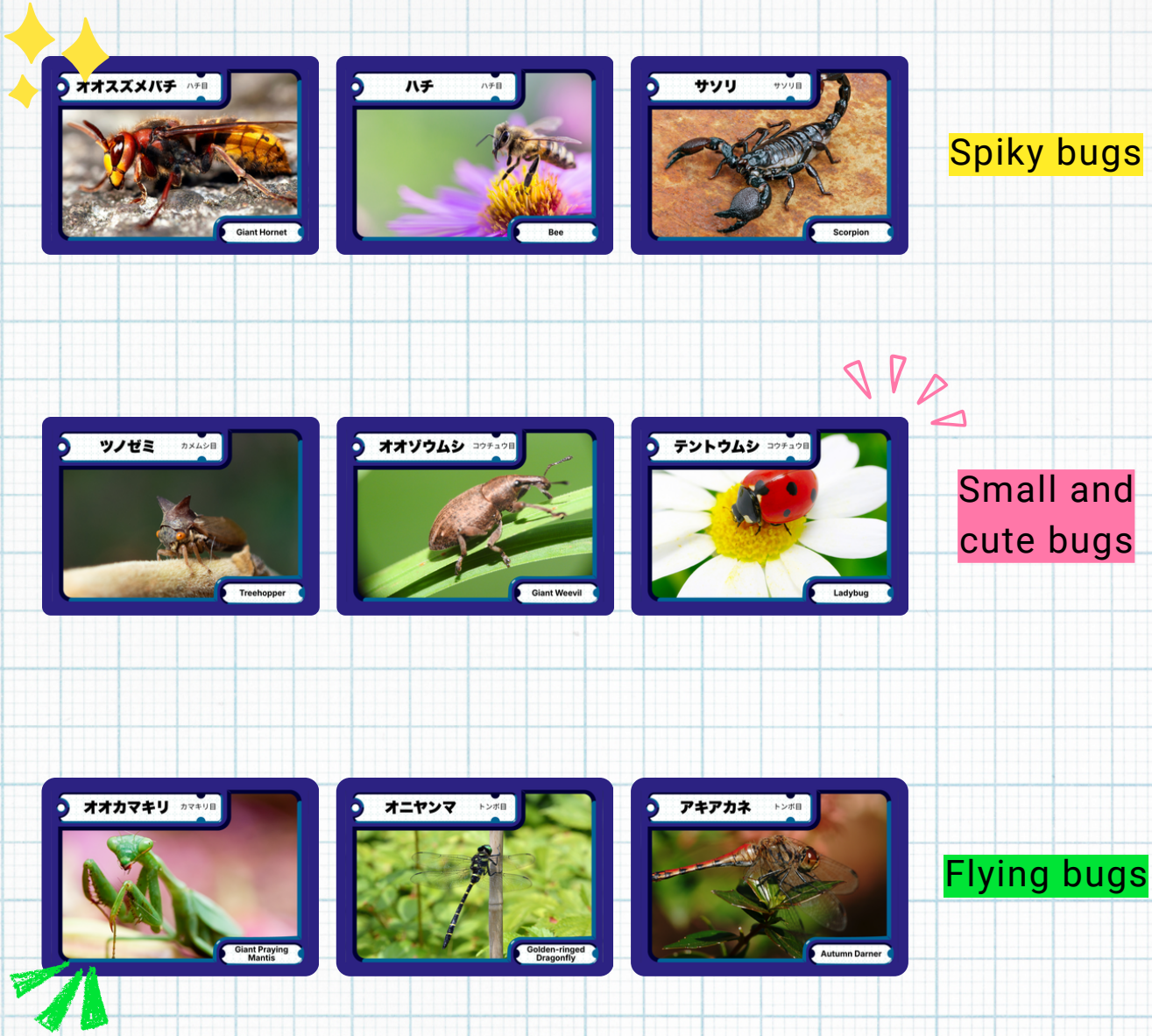
🎴 **Types of sets**

① Same set
Collect three cards with the same "eye" symbol.

② Theme Set
This set is designed to collect cards based on their characteristics. Example:
⚡ Fast insects
☠️ Dangerous insects
🌿 Hiding insects
🌙 Night insects

③ Fun Set
This is a set of rules that are a bit more relaxed. Example:
small insects
A weak-looking insect
Strangely shaped insects

Set examples



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