

**Draw a card:** cape chartam/folium.

**I drew it:** illam/illud cepi.

**I can go again:** ego ire iterum/  
itursum possum.

**Go again:** iterum/itursum

**I have a book.**

ego librum habeo.

**You, Marcus, have a book.**

tū, Marce, librum habes.

**He/she has a book.**

ille/illa librum habet.

**I have two books.**

ego duos libros habeo.

**You have four books.**

tū quattuor libros habes.

**He/she has no books.**

ille/illa nullōs libros habet.

**You used to have aces.**

tū asses habebās.

**I used to have queens.**

ego regīnas habēbam.

**Hold up your hand.**

sustinē manum tuam.

**I see your hand.**

ego manum tuam videō.

**I am able to see your hand.**

ego manum tuam vidēre  
possum.

**You are looking at my cards.**

tū chartās meās/folia mea  
spectās.

**You were looking at my cards.**

tū chartās meās/folia mea  
spectābās.

**Don't look at my cards!**

nōlī spectāre chartās meās/  
folia mea!

**Look at your own cards.**

spectā chartās/folia mea!

**You are cheating/were cheating!**

tū fraudās/fraudābās!

**You are a cheater!:** tū es fraudātor!

**Do you have...:** habēsne (acc)...

...an ace?: ...assem?

...a king?: ...regem?

...a queen?: ...regīnam?

...a jack?: ...iacobum?

...a two?: ...binōnem?

**Yes:** habeo / **No:** nōn habeo

**Go Fish!** ī piscātum!

**Do you have...:** habēsne (acc)...

...any aces?: ...ullōs asses?

...any kings?: ...ullōs regēs?

...any queens?: ...ullās regīnas?

...any jacks?: ...ullōs iacobōs?

...any twos?: ...ullōs binōnēs?

**I have...:** ego... (acc)... habeo.

...no aces: ...nullōs asses...

...one king: ...unum\* regem...

...two queens: ...duas regīnas...

...three jacks: ...trēs iacobōs...

...four twos: ...quattuor binōnēs...

\* unus, duo, and trēs decline.

## BASIC CARD PLAYING VOCABULARY

### GONE FISHIN'

**You must go fish.**

tibi piscāndum est.

**It is necessary for you to go fish.**

necesse est tibi piscārī.

**It is necessary for you to go fish.**

oportet mē piscārī.

**It is permitted for you to go fish.**

**(You may go fish.)**

licet tibi piscārī.

**Is it permitted for me to go fish?**

**(May I go fish?)**

licetne mihi piscārī?

**It is proper for me to go fish.**

deceat mē piscārī.

**It grieves me to go fish.**

piget mē piscārī.

**I don't want to go fish.**

ego piscārī nōlō.

**hearts:** corda, cordinum, n  
**diamonds:** rhombulae, -arum, f  
**clubs:** trifolia, -orum, n  
**spades:** palae, -arum, f  
**face card:** imago humana,  
imāgōnis hūmānae  
**player:** lator, latoris, m  
**fellow player:** collator, -is, m  
**dealer:** distributor, distributoris, m  
**game:** ludus, -i / lusus, -i, m  
**hand:** manus, -us, f  
**book:** liber, libri, m  
**any:** ullus, -a  
**none:** nullus, -a  
**Shuffle the cards:** miscē chartās /  
omnia (folia)  
**Deal the cards:** distribuē chartās /  
assignā folia / impertī folia

**card:** charta, -ae, f / folium, -i, n  
**game of cards:** ludus chartarum  
**deck of cards:** fasciculus foliorum  
**ace:** as, \* assis, m  
**king:** rex, regis, m  
**queen:** regīna, -ae, f  
**jack:** iacobus, -i / eques, equitis, m  
**10:** dēnio, dēnōnis, m  
**9:** novēnio, novēnōnis, m  
**8:** octōnio, octōnōnis, m  
**7:** septēnio, septēnōnis, m  
**6:** senio, senōnis, m  
**5:** quīnio, quīnōnis, m  
**4:** quaternio, quaternōnis, m  
**3:** trinio, trinōnis, m  
**2:** binio, binōnis, m

\*The origin of the word ace is in  
fact the Latin as = bronze coin.

### I PISCATUM! GO FISH!

This little booklet is designed to guide you through playing *Go Fish* and similar card games. Each time you play you should try to use more Latin in a variety of ways. Ultimately you should be able to do away with using any English at all when you gather with your friends to play cards.

The majority of terminology in this booklet is based on Ioannes L. Vives - *Exercitatio liguae Latinae*, XXI. Ludus Chartarum. [http://www.grexlat.com/biblio/vives/21\\_Ludus.html](http://www.grexlat.com/biblio/vives/21_Ludus.html)

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