

SUN SUN

A FUNGUS GARDEN

MUSEO DEL HONGO

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SUN SUN cards are designed according to the logic of dominos. There are 8 words: SUN, SHINE, RAY, GOLDEN, LIGHT, BEAM, BRIGHT, WARM. Each word is combined with each other word, so 8x8, producing 64 cards of 2-word combinations.

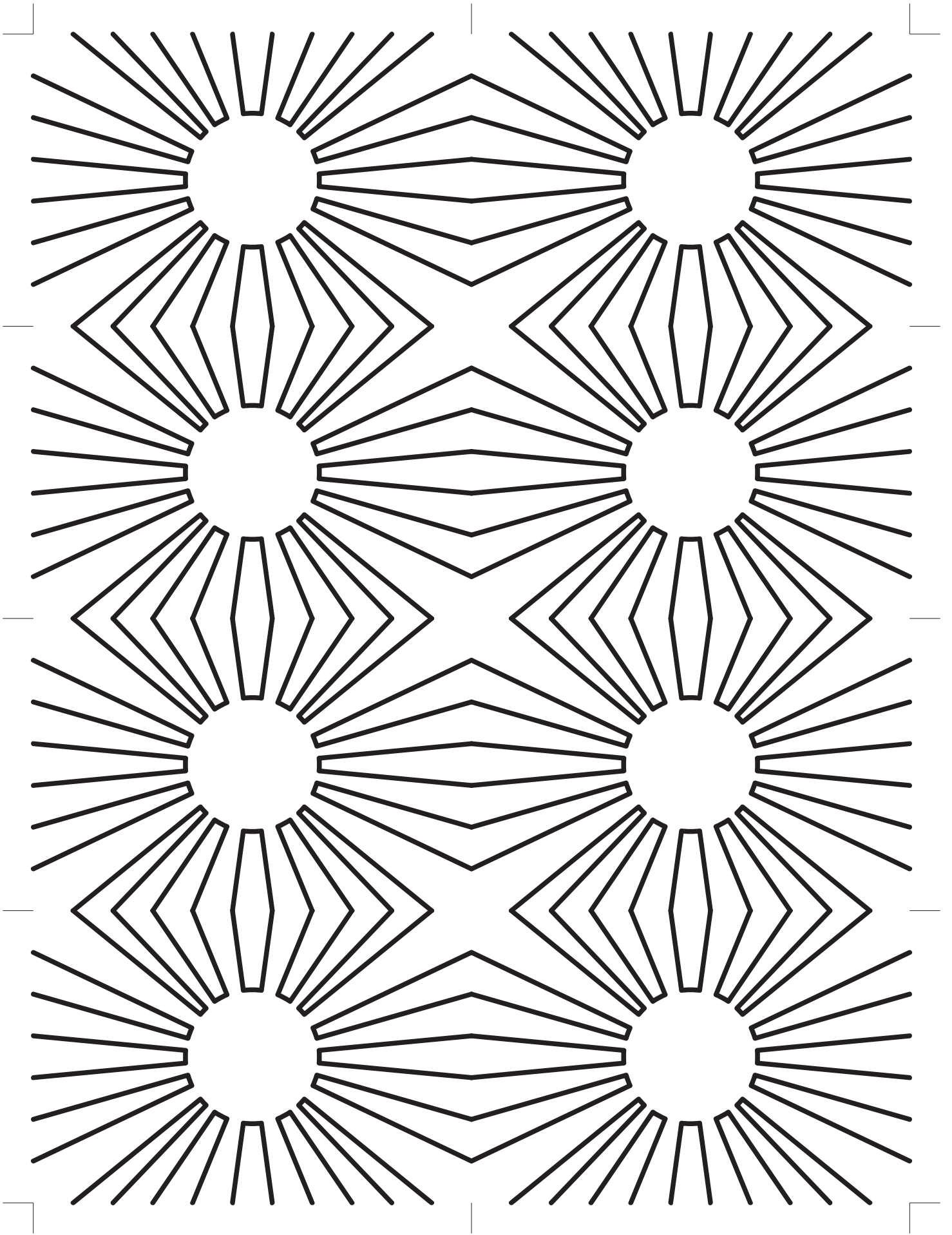
The game can be played with 2 or more players (or even solo), but ideally 4. Each player begins with 8 cards and the remaining cards remain apart as a reserve stack. The game begins randomly when one player places a card on the table. From there, the next player must match the first word of a new card with the last word of the card on the table, for example if the card on the table is SHINE GOLDEN then the next card must either begin with GOLDEN or end with SHINE.

The players move in turn, connecting the words on the table so that "poem" grows at both ends, snaking across the table in order to fit the space. When a player does not have a card with one of the two words necessary to grow the "poem", they must choose one from the reserve. If that card also cannot be used, the game continues to the next player.

The object of the game is not to win but to exhaust the chain of connectivity. The game is only over when none of the remaining cards can be matched to the words at each end of the "poem".

The SUN SUN game is meant as a collective invocation of the sun. The players are calling for the warm rays of bright golden sunlight to beam down and shine upon us all as we cross this time of darkness. The players are encouraged to recite the words on the cards as they lay them down, starting from the beginning each time a new card is added. As the "poem" grows the players are repeatedly chanting the same string of words backwards or forwards, according to the placement of each new card. The recitation can be performed individually or in unison. The result is a mantric chant that unites the players in a ritual of endurance and faith.

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SUN WARM

SUN RAY

SUN LIGHT

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SUN BEAM

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