HOW TO PLAY STORY STITCH

GOAL
Learn about the unique backgrounds of immigrant and non-immigrant community members through storytelling. Everybody wins!

SET UP
Number of players: 6-8 individuals with different backgrounds
Age: 10+
Deck: 55 Cards total
- Story Cards: (33) Cards with story questions
- Stitch Cards: (22) Cards with lines and dots

Set the pile of Story Cards face down in the center of players.
Distribute all Stitch Cards to players (some may receive more than others).

INSTRUCTIONS
1. Introduce yourselves to the group:
   - What is your name?
   - Where do you consider home?
   - What languages do you speak?
   - Share something special about yourself (favorite food, hobbies/activities, something that makes you laugh, a unique skill or ability, etc.).

2. Select a player to begin; game moves clockwise.

3. The first player draws a Story Card, reads the question out loud, and shares a personal story that responds to the question. (Players may draw multiple Story Cards until finding a question they would like to answer, returning unused cards to the bottom of the deck.)

4. When the first player finishes sharing a story, another player(s) can place a Stitch Card on the table and answer the same question or build upon that story. After Stitch Cards are played, the game returns to the second player who then selects a Story Card. Move clockwise.

5. Continue the game with players selecting Story Cards, playing Stitch Cards, and sharing and building upon stories until players no longer have any Stitch Cards remaining in their hands.

GROUND RULES
- Be brave and vulnerable
- Listen attentively to others and do not interrupt
- Remember, you are in charge of your story—tell only what you want to share
- Be respectful of others—their courage and their stories
- Build upon each other’s stories—adding new, personal details
- Ask questions about each other’s experiences
- Learn about each other through the stories shared and conversations ignited

ABOUT GREEN CARD VOICES
Green Card Voices is a multimedia non-profit organization that builds bridges between immigrant and non-immigrant communities through the art of storytelling.

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