

# Final Fantasy IX Tetra Master FAQ

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-- Intro:

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Most people I've talked to seem to think Tetra Master is incomprehensible.

annoying, and fruitless. Well... it is, but that doesn't mean there isn't some rhyme to the horrible chaos that is Tetra Master. The fact is, it does have rhyme and reason, just a bit too random. Fortunately, all of this can be overcome, and eventually you'll reach the top collector level.

Special Note: No. There wasn't, isn't, and never will be any kind of tangible reward for playing Tetra Master. You don't win items, gold, hidden FMV's, or even fame by reaching the top collector level. The reward for putting in the hard hours required is absolutely zip, zilch, nada, nothing, nil, zero, the big goose egg, total and complete vacuum - a veritable oblivion. The game seems solely to exist for bragging rights, as it has no other function in FF9 other than making you waste time.

For those of you living in Germany, a company known as Dino contacted me to write the rules for a tabletop version of Tetra Master. The game has gone into production, and should be available in stores. I suggest picking it up, it's a good adaptation. I have been informed that the game will most likely not reach US shores, so I suggest berating Squaresoft until they relent! If we can get enough demand, you may be able to play Tetra Master without a copy of FFIIX! Send emails, send faxes, send snail-mail, call your congressman! Whatever you do, tell Square you want this game!

And now, back to your regularly scheduled FAQ.

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-- I. History

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Version 0.95 : June 19, 2001

-- Added MaxStats for all cards. Big thanks to RandREdwards! If you have updates to this list, please tell me.

Version 0.90 : June 11, 2001

-- Lots of little fixes. Redid the formulas for estimating approximate chances of winning, plugged the new game in Germany, added information I got from Squaresoft.

Version 0.81 : January 22, 2001

-- Apparently, I can't add. 256 arrow combinations, not 258. Also corrected a typo.

Version 0.80 : January 10, 2001

-- Small changes to card list, added some more rankings, revised the intro, various cosmetic changes.

Version 0.76 : December 13, 2000

-- Finished the card list, now just need the M/P stats on a few of them.

Version 0.74 : December 6, 2000

-- Lots of little changes, filled out the ranking chart. Added "Combo" section.

Version 0.70 : December 5, 2000

-- Added more cards, revised a lot of the section III text, added a section on card stats, and revised some tables.

Version 0.50 : December 4, 2000

-- Added more cards, new rank levels, and fleshed out the physical card section.

Version 0.28 : November 29, 2000

-- Added about 1/4 of all cards to card list. Revised point tallies for extra cards.

Version 0.15 : November 27, 2000

-- Second FAQ. Added "Getting Cards", "Advanced Cards", "The Point System". Revised text on "Power Cards". Corrected errors in "Collector Levels".

Version 0.1 : November 24, 2000

-- First FAQ, contains layout, rules, card types, strategies and credits. A card list is the works.

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## -- II. Rules

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### A. Requirements:

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-- 2 players

-- 5 cards for each player

### B. Getting Cards:

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In order to get those five (or more) cards you'll need to play the game, you'll need cards. There are a few ways to get them:

- 1.) Find them hidden in the towns/dungeons.
- 2.) Get characters to give them to you.
- 3.) Win them in card battles.
- 4.) Get them at the end of a random encounter.
- 5.) Buy Them

As a note, the arrows and stats of these cards is not determined until you actually own it. So for cards you find in towns and dungeons, or obtain from other characters, you can reset the game until the card has the stats you desire. This works on all cards, even rare ones - so this can help you in getting that top collector level.

C. Getting Ready:

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Walk up to a character, and press [] (square) to initiate a card game.

Not everyone plays, but quite a few do. Once the card game has been initiated, pick five cards and confirm them as you final pick. Once you've done this, the game begins.

D. The Game:

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The game grid looks like this:

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This game grid may have anywhere from 0-6 random spaces blocked off at the beginning of the game, restricting where cards can be placed. A coin is tossed to determine who starts the game. Whoever starts must place a card in one of the grid spaces, and the flow of the game turns to the second player.

#### E. Card Numbers:

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Cards, being collectible, are given numbers. There are 100 cards in the game, and you can only have 100 with you at any one time. So, if you really wanted to be a master player, you can only have one of each card. That is no easy task.

As a note, I don't quite understand why you can only hold 100 cards. That's roughly the size of two decks of playing cards, and many people who play Collectible Card Games often carry around 6 favorite playing decks. The card limit is more than a little arbitrary.

#### F. Card Stats:

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Cards will have a few stats below the picture. Here's what they mean:

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P : the power of the card in hexadecimal.

T : the card type, P, M, X, or A.

D : the card's physical defense in hexadecimal.

M : the card's magical defense in hexadecimal.

Example: 1P40

What is hexadecimal, you ask? Hexadecimal is the numbers represented from 0-15 by letters and numbers. So 0 is 0, and 15 is F. This means the strongest card in the game would be FAFF, since A is the strongest card type.

Here's the confusing part. While the card's stats are represented in hex, those stats represent another number entirely. Here's a chart.

Hex		Stat		Min		Max
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2F		2		032		047
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3F		3		048		063
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4F		4		064		079
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5F		5		080		095
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6F		6		096		111
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7F		7		112		127
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8F		8		128		143
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9F		9		144		159
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AF		A		160		175
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BF		B		176		191
CF		C		192		207
DF		D		208		223
EF		E		224		239
FF		F		240		255

Why the "Hex" column? Notice how the first number in the hex column matches the number in the stat column? That's how hexadecimal works. For a two digit hex number, you take the first number, multiply by 16 and add the value of the second number. So 6F is  $6*16+15 = 111$ . The minimum value would be 60 or  $6*16+0=96$ .

Card types are discussed later in the FAQ.

G. Arrows:

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Each card will usually have a set of arrows in any of 8 directions.

A sample card with all directions lies below:

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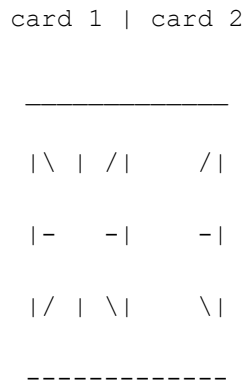
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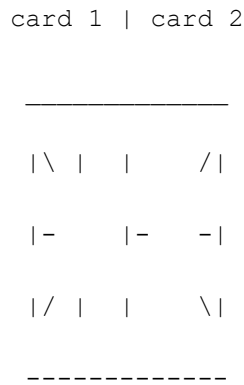
- 1.) The first card played obviously can not affect other cards.

- 2.) A card is played next to another card, but has no arrows pointing to the opposing card.
- 3.) A card is already on the board with an arrow pointing to a square. A new card is placed in that square, but the new card doesn't have an arrow pointing to the first card.

Basically, this means that nothing will happen unless the card that is played has an arrow pointing to another card.



Card two was placed second, so nothing happened. The fifth possibility is that the card placed in the grad has an arrow pointing to the adjacent card.



The player that placed card two now owns card one. These ownerships can change through the game, and whoever ends up owning the most cards at the end of the game wins. Cards may have \*no\* arrows, and

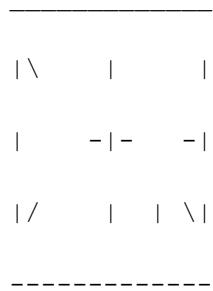
these are discussed in the "combos" section.

#### H. Battles:

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There is one final possibility remaining. If a card is placed next to another card, and they both have arrows pointing at each other, a battle ensues.

card 1 | card 2



The above placement would result in a card battle. Each battle has three phases where different numbers are displayed.

#### Phase 1:

\* Each card has a power as discussed previously. This value falls between the min and max listed in the table. Each card also has a defense fitting the the above chart.

A                    B

Example : 4P22 attacks 1M01

The first number that appears on card A is its attack power, say 70 (4 = between 64 and 79). Card A is a physical card, and card

B has 0 physical defense, so the first number to appear on card

B is its defense, say 7 (0 = between 0 and 16).

Phase 2:

# Next, the computer rolls a number between 0 and the number shown in phase 1. This will be the \*actual\* attack or defense. Let's say it rolls a 66 for card A, and 1 for card B.

Phase 3:

# The number rolled in phase 2 is subtracted from the number in phase 1. This guarantees that the number will be positive, and the highest number wins. So:

Card A: 70 - 66 : 4

Card B: 7 - 1 : 6

There are a few things this should tell you :

- 1.) Higher rolls are BAD. You want low rolls so less is subtracted from the total number.
- 2.) A weak card can defeat a strong card if the roll is in its favor, look at how the 1M01 defended itself against a 4P22.

If you want to know how likely a card is to win a battle, here's the basic formula:

$$100 * (1 - \frac{1 + \text{Power of Weak}}{2 * (1 + \text{Power of Strong})})$$

So in our example, you have:

$$100 * \left( 1 - \frac{1 + 7}{142} \right) = 100 * \frac{136}{142} = 100 * 0.9577 = 95.77\%$$

$$100 * \left( 1 - \frac{2(1 + 70)}{142} \right) = 100 * \frac{142}{142} = 100 * 1 = 100\%$$

So in our example, card A will win the battle 94% of the time. But in the example of the battle, it lost because of a bad roll; that's the 6% it loses.

But, since you may not know attack/defense values right away, you can get a basic idea. Using our example again, take the maximum attack card A could have (79) and the lowest defense card B can have (0) and use our equation. The result is 99.4%. Now, take the minimum attack card A can have (64) and the maximum defense card B can have (15) and use our equation. The result is 87.7%.

So, in our example, if you don't know the values of the cards fighting it out, card A will have a 88-100% chance of beating card B if it is attacking.

If you played card A, good job. You would have won the card battle, but you had a 6% chance of losing, and lost. Your opponent now controls both cards. If you had won, you'd control both cards.

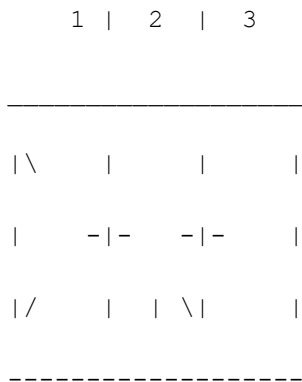
#### I. Combos:

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Sometimes a card that loses a battle may also point to other cards.

This is a very dangerous situation, and can lead to those cards being lost as well. For instance, let's assume player 1 owns

cards one and two, player two puts down card three.



We'll assume card three is really powerful, and wipes out card two.

Player 2 now owns all three cards, because the losing card had an arrow pointing to card one. Avoid this at all costs! A properly placed combo can flip up to eight other cards on a full board.

Normally cards with a lot of arrows are good due to their great defense abilities, but the potential for combos is dire. We'll talk about how to fix this problem later.

Some of you may have encountered cards with no arrows on them, and rightly wonder what they're good for. They're good for one and only one thing so far as I have seen and heard: sheer numbers. These cards have no combo power, are completely defenseless, and are very rare. But keep in mind that if played last, you have no fear of setting off combos where you may lose cards. They're a completely safe play if all you need to do is win one more card to win the card game. They also make wonderful combo fodder.

J. Winning:

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Whoever controls the most cards when all cards are on the board wins the game. After winning, the winner gets to pick a card from the loser's deck, but only a card that was flipped during the course of the game. If all of the cards are flipped to one player or another, the game is called "perfect", and they get to keep all of their opponent's cards. Good if you win, \*really\* bad if you lose.

#### K. The Point System:

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As you play through the game, you'll win points. How these points are awarded, however seems to be a bit of a complexity. Points are awarded not by your win/loss ratio as it would seem, but on the cards you own and how their arrows are arranged. Here's a quick explanation.

- One Unique Card : 15 points
- Unique card, non-unique arrows : 10 points
- Extra cards : 5 points per card
- Extra cards, non-unique arrows : 0 points per card
- X card : 1 bonus point
- A card : 2 bonus points

So, if you have one "A" card, and it has no arrows the same as any other card, you'll have 17 points for that card. Logic would dictate that in order to reach the top collector level, you'd need all 100 of your cards to fit this criteria for a maximum of 1700 points. Ouch.

So far as arrow configurations are concerned, there are more than a hundred, here's how they're broken down:

Arrows		combinations
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0		1
1		8
2		28
3		56
4		70
5		56
6		28
7		8
8		1
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Total		256

So, you have a total of 256 total arrow combinations, and you only need 100. Also keep in mind that 163 of those have 4 arrows or more, so you don't need to feel defenseless.

That still doesn't detract from the fact you'll have to have 100 "A" level cards, each with a different arrow configuration to reach the top collector level, but everything is worth effort, right?

#### L. Collector Levels:

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The game keeps track of all wins, losses, and draws, but they don't mean anything to your collector level. Your collector level is determined by the total value of all of your cards as explained above.



This may seem unfair, but it's how things work. Collector level is awarded by point values, as shows in this table:

Points		Level		Points		Level
0 - 299	:	Beginner	---	1350 - 1359	:	Champion
300 - 399	:	Novice	---	1360 - 1369	:	Analyst
400 - 499	:	Player	---	1370 - 1379	:	General
500 - 599	:	Senior	---	1380 - 1389	:	Expert
600 - 699	:	Fan	---	1390 - 1399	:	Shark
700 - 799	:	Leader	---	1400 - 1449	:	Specialist
800 - 899	:	Coach	---	1450 - 1474	:	Elder
900 - 999	:	Advisor	---	1475 - 1499	:	Dominator
1000 - 1099	:	Director	---	1500 - 1549	:	Maestro
1100 - 1199	:	Dealer	---	1550 - 1599	:	King
1200 - 1249	:	Trader	---	1600 - 1649	:	Wizard
1250 - 1299	:	Commander	---	1650 - 1679	:	Authority
1300 - 1319	:	Doctor	---	1680 - 1689	:	Emperor
1320 - 1329	:	Professor	---	1690 - 1697	:	Pro
1330 - 1339	:	Veteran	---	1698 -	:	Master
1340 - 1349	:	Freak	---			

What, not 1700? I'd like to take this time to quote a poor soul who wasted many hours playing this game.

"So what happens at 1700, you ask? Well, under your collector pts. where Master was written it now says, superimposed over everything, 'Would you like to discard?'. So, after a hundred hours of playing this game I am rewarded with a F\*\*\*ING

GLITCH!!!"

-- ik141

We feel for you, man, we really do. All I can say, is may Squaresoft learn a lesson from this! I bet they didn't think anyone was crazy enough to actually reach the maximum number of points possible. That'll teach 'em.

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-- III. Card Types

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A. Card Power:

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Each card will have a set stats, arranged to look like: 0P00.

The first number is the card's attack power in hexadecimal. Refer to "Battles" for how this works.

Cards that defeat other cards in many battles, or flip many cards eventually get stronger. So a 0P00 that is used often will make it to a 1P00. These values have maximums however, and I'm still determining the maximums for each card. I'd appreciate help on this one.

B. Card Defense:

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Cards have two types of defense, physical and magical. Like power, defense is listed in hexadecimal. If a card is classified as 0P12, 1 is the physical defense, and 2 is the magical defense.

Like Power, defense can increase if a card defends attack often enough. So a 0P00 can become a 0P01 or a 0P10 depending on whether it defended many physical or magical attacks.

#### C. Physical Cards:

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You probably noticed that I've been listing my examples as 0P00 or some variation. What I was actually assuming is that the cards in my examples are physical cards. Hence they do physical damage in their attacks. A card with "P" in the middle of its stats is a physical card.

Like mentioned above, physical abilities are not based on the number in the attack power alone. A 1P00 card can still lose to a 0P00 card if the 0P00 card gets a better roll. Generally, cards with higher card numbers are stronger, but you can't count on that.

Confused yet?

#### D. Magic Cards:

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Cards with an "M" in their stats are magic cards. They deal their damage through some kind of magic. Unfortunately, most magic cards will be horribly slaughtered by a physical card. Hence it's essential to have a good balance of each in those chosen for the game. On the other hand, a strong magic card will liquefy a physical card with low magic resistance. Beware!

#### E. Power Cards:

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Next are power cards. These can exist in any of the card numbers, and are denoted by an "X" in the card stats. Most often, you'll have a monster you have many multiples of, and maybe only one of them is a power card. These can be obtained in a couple of ways:

- 1.) Win them.
- 2.) Use a normal card until it turns into one.

Power cards seem excessive at first. They appear to have higher stats compared to the other cards you may have in your inventory. But how do they work?

Defending card		Actual Defense
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0P10		0
1M91		1
9M19		1

See a pattern here? If you play a power card, the lowest of the

defender's defense powers will determine the type of attack your card uses. Strong physical defense? Use a magical attack. Strong magical defense? Use a physical attack.

As you can imagine, taking a power card can be difficult. But there are a few ways to do so.

- 1.) Take the card on an unprotected corner.
- 2.) Use a powerful card that will overwhelm power card defenses.
- 3.) Use a card with high defense stats.

Three may not make much sense, but it works. Remember, power cards only gain an upper hand when defense values of the other card are low. A card with 0P9A stats would most likely demolish a power card that was 2X32.

At least at the beginning of the game, disks one and two perhaps, save them for the last card you play if at all possible. They can swiftly turn the tide of battle, and work wonders when used in combos.

The more you use your cards, the better. Any normal card has a 1.56% chance of upgrading to an "X" card. This occurs whether or not the card lost any card battles; the usage is the important part.

#### E. Advanced Cards:

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There is one more type of card that has a huge advantage over all other cards. This is one step above X cards, and instead identifies itself with an A. 1A12 for example. You can get them a couple of ways.

- 1.) Win them.
- 2.) Use an X card until it turns into one.

So what are these wondrous cards, and how do they work? Like X cards, they take the lowest of the defense values, but to add a little spice to the mix, they also throw in the attack power. For example:

Defending card		Actual Defense
0P12		0
9M09		0
3P9A		3

Yes, that's right. The lowest number in all of the stats is used as the card's defense. I don't think I have to tell you how horrible this can be. But wait, this isn't all! Take a look at the following:

Attacking "A" card		Actual Attack
0P12		2
9M09		9
3P9A		A

Yes, you see right. Not only does the defending card have a very low defense, but the "A" card uses the highest number on the card as the attack. Now an "A" level Genji card doesn't look so useless as it did before, does it?

These are more rare than power cards since they are upgraded from power cards. Taking these cards can really only be done one of two

ways.

- 1.) Take the card on an unprotected corner.
- 2.) Use a card with higher stats in all aspects.

If you want to take a 2A33, you'll need at least a 3P33 for equal footing, probably higher to be on the safe side. If the computer plays one of these cards, take it! Do what ever you can to make that card yours. If you don't get it the first time, rematch until you do. These cards will most definitely complete your arsenal.

You may upgrade "X" cards to "A" cards as they are used. The percentage of this occurring is lower, about 0.56%. This means you must use your "X" cards twice as much to get them to upgrade to "A" cards.

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#### -- IV. Strategies

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Winning Tetra Master is usually easy at the beginning of the game, but as it goes on, you'll find yourself frequently outclassed by players with more powerful cards and more opportune arrow placement. Be careful!

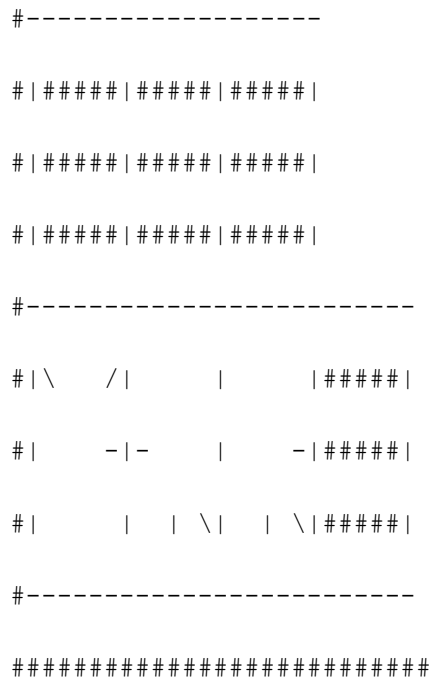
#### A. Blocks:

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Remember that the game can start with anywhere from 0-6 squares blocked from play. These sometimes create spots where one or two cards can be placed in complete immunity. Use these first!

The less cards you leave open to combos, the better. Try to use your weakest cards in these spaces, or cards that have arrows that wouldn't work well in the board layout. These cards you would have lost have suddenly turned into cards you'll keep.

Blocks can also be used as strongholds. Sometimes there is only one way to attack cards behind certain blocks. You can block combos and other nefarious attacks by putting a card here that has no arrows in the area that can be attacked. If you stack two or three more cards behind this defender, you may lose the defender, but the other two are 100% safe. For example.



Though this doesn't happen often, there are similar opportunities of which you can take advantage.

#### B. Picking Cards:

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Try to play four-corners as much as you can. By that, I mean pick cars that have arrows in one of the following patterns.

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Why? Because if the cards are strong enough, they'll hold the corner you put them in. You don't want to place a card that'll be taken without a fight unless you're setting up combos. These cards make great first moves. I suggest at least two of these, in case a block ruins one of your corners.

Next you'll want at least one card that can clear the board in your favor. This is fairly simple, just pick a card with as many arrows and high stats as you can manage. In most cases, this will be your last card, and will activate as many combos as possible. Power cards work very well here. You should only need one of these.

Finally, you'll want two wall cards. Any of these patterns are usable:

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These are mostly good at protecting other cards from combos. They'll be the cards you play in the middle of the game to set up combos or protect cards you've just won from being taken away.

Remember, you can add as many arrows as you wish to these examples, but I strongly advise against taking arrows away unless you have a good combo in mind. Cards with less than three continuous arrows are almost defenseless unless protected by blocks, and you can't count on whether or not the computer will even use blocks.

Cards that only protect one side are perfect for combos, and they can block access to other cards. Use them in the right place, and the best the computer can do is take the card you used, leaving the rest under your control.

C. Combos:

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Sometimes the best way to win Tetra Master, and do so with a higher probability of a perfect, you must make good use of combos. The basic strategy here, is to take a very weak card with all 8 arrows, and play that first in a very open location. For example...

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Any of those four spaces in the middle will work just fine. Let the computer take the card. In fact, you might use a lot of weak cards, and let them lose battles as well, and just use one really strong power card to take them all back in one fell swoop. Remember, the last card you play only has to be strong enough to defeat the 8-arrow card. The computer has more incentive to play around the 8-arrow card if you own all or most of the cards around it, so defeat the 8-arrow card as many times as possible until you lay the last card.

If there are no blocks in the way, and you go second, you have the opportunity of sweeping the board with this strategy.

D. General Tips:

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At all costs, avoid capturing cards in corners with a card containing a lot of arrows until the end of the game. Take the following example, you just took all of your opponent's cards with the card marked with a \*. Four cards are suddenly yours, and the card that battled was very powerful, and not likely to cause a combo later. But your opponent had a power card (marked by an X) and even though it only had one arrow, it turned your card into instant puree.

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Would you look at that? You've now lost five cards, and there is no way you can get them back. Even if you flip the card the computer

used to cause the combo, you'll still probably lose. When not paying attention, I've lost up to six cards this way, with no way to get any of them back. In a worst case scenario, up to eight cards can be lost in a combo, and with that many cards on the board, openings are slim, and those cards may be lost forever.

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-- V. Card List

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The type listed is the initial type the card has when first obtained.

It may change to X or A later. Aside from the type, I have listed the maximum stats as known at this time. If you've gotten a higher stat, send a screenshot and I'll update the FAQ.

Num	Card Name	Type	Num	Card Name	Type
1	Goblin	0P00	51	Abadon	7M62
2	Fang	0P00	52	Behemoth	BP46
3	Skeleton	0P00	53	Iron Man	CP60
4	Flan	0M01	54	Nova Dragon	EP7C
5	Zaghnol	0P00	55	Ozma	DM0C
6	Lizardman	1P00	56	Hades	FMC1
7	Zombie	1P10	57	Holy	8M23
8	Bomb	1M01	58	Meteor	BMA0
9	Ironite	1P10	59	Flare	DM11
10	Sahagin	1P10	60	Shiva	5M05
11	Yeti	1M01	61	Ifrit	6M91
12	Mimic	1M11	62	Ramuh	4M16
13	Wyerd	1M02	63	Atomos	4M66
14	Mandragora	2M02	64	Odin	CM84

15	Crawler	2P20	---	65	Leviathan	BM61
16	S. Scorpion	2P21	---	66	Bahamut	CM95
17	Nymph	2M02	---	67	Ark	EM65
18	Sand Golom	2P21	---	68	Fenrir	8M21
19	Zuu	2P02	---	69	Madeen	AM16
20	Dragonfly	2P21	---	70	Alexander	EMB5
21	Carrion Worm	2M11	---	71	Excalibur 2	FPB0
22	Cerberus	3P20	---	72	Ultima Weapon	FP16
23	Antlion	3P31	---	73	Masamune	CPB3
24	Cactuar	3PC0	---	74	Elixer	6M66
25	Gimme Cat	3M21	---	75	Dark Matter	CM3C
26	Ragtimer	3M21	---	76	Ribbon	0MCF
27	Hedgehog Pie	3M12	---	77	Tiger Paw Racket	0P01
28	Raluimahgo	3P40	---	78	Save The Queen	7P30
29	Ocho	3P21	---	79	Genji	0P6A
30	Troll	4P32	---	80	Mythril Sword	2P00
31	Blazer Beetle	4P51	---	81	Blue Narciss	8P91
32	Abomination	4P33	---	82	Hilde Garde 3	6P31
33	Zemzelett	4M26	---	83	Invincible	BP9C
34	Stroper	4P40	---	84	Cargo Ship	2P60
35	Tantarion	4M22	---	85	Hilda Garde 1	6P40
36	Grand Dragon	4P44	---	86	Red Rose	8P19
37	Feather Circle	4M22	---	87	Theater Ship	2P61
38	Hecteyes	5M04	---	88	Viltgance	EP92
39	Ogre	5P41	---	89	Chocobo	0P00
40	Armstrong	5M24	---	90	Fat Chocobo	1P11
41	Ash	5M33	---	91	Mog	0M00
42	Wraith	5M51	---	92	Frog	0P00
43	Gargoyle	5M32	---	93	Oglop	2P20
44	Vepal	5M33	---	94	Alexandria	0PB6

45	Grimlock	5M23	--	95	Lindblum	0P6B
46	Tonberry	2P33	--	96	Twin Moons	7M55
47	Veteran	5M19	--	97	Gargant	2P03
48	Garuda	6M41	--	98	Namingway	7M77
49	Malboro	5M36	--	99	Boko THE Chocobo	8P77
50	Mover	6MF0	--	100	Airship	8P77

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Each card is awarded 0.005 points total in this FAQ, so take number of cards, multiply by 0.005 and round up, and that's how much of the FAQ version is based on the card listing.

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-- VI. Credits

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-- I'd like to thank Drew Cosner of thegia.com for this anecdote:

"Anyway, here it is: how the hell are you supposed to play Tetra Masters in FFIIX? As far as I can tell, you place your cards on the board at random and your opponent randomly puts his cards down causing random cards to flip over at random, leading to the random card battle which is apparently won completely at random. In the end, one of you wins. At random."

-- Drew Cosner.

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-- Send a gold nugget to RandREdwards! He sent me all of the max stats. They may not be all fully maxed, but it's a start!

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-- VI. Contact

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If you want to add anything to this FAQ, either to change something I got wrong, or help me with the card list, feel free to use the



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