

Directions – First, wipe off the map with a damp cloth. Then wet the suction cup so it is clean and sticks good.

3 Games in one, Under 10, 10 to Adult for straight dart points or 10 to Adult for dart points and bonus questions.

Set up:

For younger players the dart board can be placed on a chair or a dresser or even lay on the floor. The angle may help them hit the board better. For the 10 and older players the center of the board should be at 5 feet 8 inches up from the floor. The game comes with hangers that should be centered on the board. You can use tacks to hang it or the provided Velcro sticky pads, (Check with parents first). Young players should stand 5 feet from the board to throw. Ten and older players should stand 6 feet from the board to throw.

Players under 10 years old

These young players are throwing the darts for fun. When they throw the dart and hit a state, they would get the points for that color. One point for Yellow, two points for Orange, three points for Green, four points for Brown and five points for Red. Player one throws three darts and the first dart lands on a Yellow state, the next dart lands on a Green state and the last dart lands on a Brown state. The player would add them points up, one point for Yellow, three points for Green and four points for Brown. The total would be eight points for their first round. That player would place an eight on the first-round space on the score card under player one. When player two throws they only land on Texas with two darts their third dart lands in Mexico which isn't part of the USA game, so they get no points for their third dart. That would be one point for each dart making a total of two points. Player two would place a two in the first-round space on the score card under player two. When the players are done playing, they add up their totals and the player with the most points wins. Note: If a dart lands on the border of multiple states you add them points for each state together. Let's say you throw and one of dart lands on the border of New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Adding up the points it would be three for New York, three for Pennsylvania and four for New Jersey for a total of ten points for that dart.

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PLAY ON!

Players 10 to Adult – First determine if you are going to play for straight dart points or dart points plus bonus question points.

The states are numbered in the order they became a state, so Delaware is number one and Hawaii is number fifty. The size of the state determines the points for each dart. The smaller the state the more points per dart, the larger states are less points per dart. For example, Texas is large and easy to hit so it is colored Yellow and worth one point per dart.

Let's start playing: Think of this game like baseball but the states are innings. You throw your darts and if you hit the state you get them points if don't hit the state you get zero points. Your next turn would be the next state. Start with number one Delaware. You have three chances to hit it. You throw all three of our darts trying to hit Delaware. If any of our darts land anywhere on Delaware you get five points for that dart. If you hit it with one dart and you have determined at the beginning that you are going to play for extra points, you can ask for a one or two-point question. If you get that correct you get them extra points. There is only one deck of game cards, so the opposite player reads a question for the person that just threw their darts.

For example, if you hit Delaware with one dart you get five points If you hit Delaware with two darts you get ten points if you hit Delaware with all three darts you would have 15 points. If you are playing for extra points, you ask for a one or two-point question.

The state capital is always a one-point question and true and false are always two-point questions. If you get the question correct you add that for the total of Delaware on the score card. So, if you hit Delaware with one dart you get five points and if you ask for a two-point question (**you are only allowed one question per state.**) and get that correct you have seven points for Delaware. It would then be team number two's turn to go. When both teams have taken their turn at the first state, Delaware they would move on to the second state Pennsylvania, then the third state New Jersey and would go all the way to the 50th state, Hawaii and add the points up. The score card has two rows due to the many states. Add up the points from total 1 and total 2 for your grand total. The team with the most points wins.

Note: These are basic directions. You can play odd against even or just for points and not asking questions, depending on time. The choice is yours.

Side note: All the original 13 colonies are on the East coast and mostly smaller which is why all your challenging states are in the beginning. The only states not included in that are Vermont and Maine.

About the darts: While playing, if the darts don't seem to stick too well just wet your suction cup with a cloth or baby wipe. If the dart hits the state you are trying for and sticks only for a fraction of a second, the points should count.

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Let the darts fly!