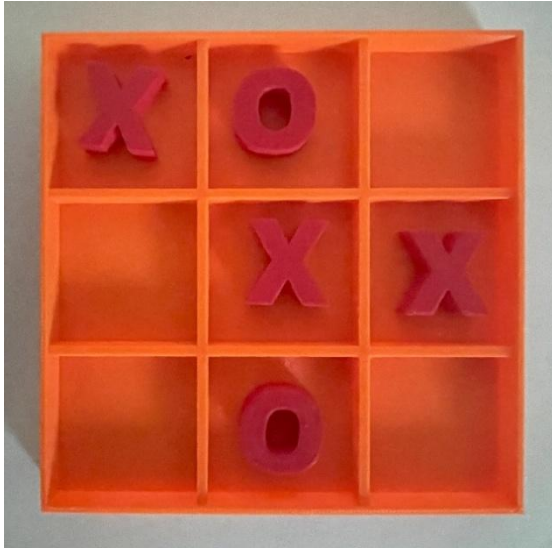


WHAT MAKES THE GAME UNIQUE

In a typical game of Tic Tac Toe, winners may be guaranteed in certain situations. For example, look at the board below.



It's O's turn, but O is a sure loser. X has two outs and will win on the next turn regardless of where an "O" is placed. **BUT NOT WITH TIC TAC XNO! O CAN PLAY A "NEUTRAL", REMOVING THE CENTER "X", TO BLOCK X'S SURE WIN.**



The "Neutral" does not count as part of a winning combination, only red "X's" or "O's" counts, so O has not won the game. X cannot remove the "Neutral" on X's next turn – but O can remove it and replace with a red "O" on O's next turn. If X does not play a "Neutral" on X's next turn to replace one of the red "O's" in the center column, then X will lose because O will replace the center neutral with a red "O" and win the game! The Rule Book explains who can remove a "Neutral" and when. **Experienced players can play for 30 minutes or more before someone finally wins!**