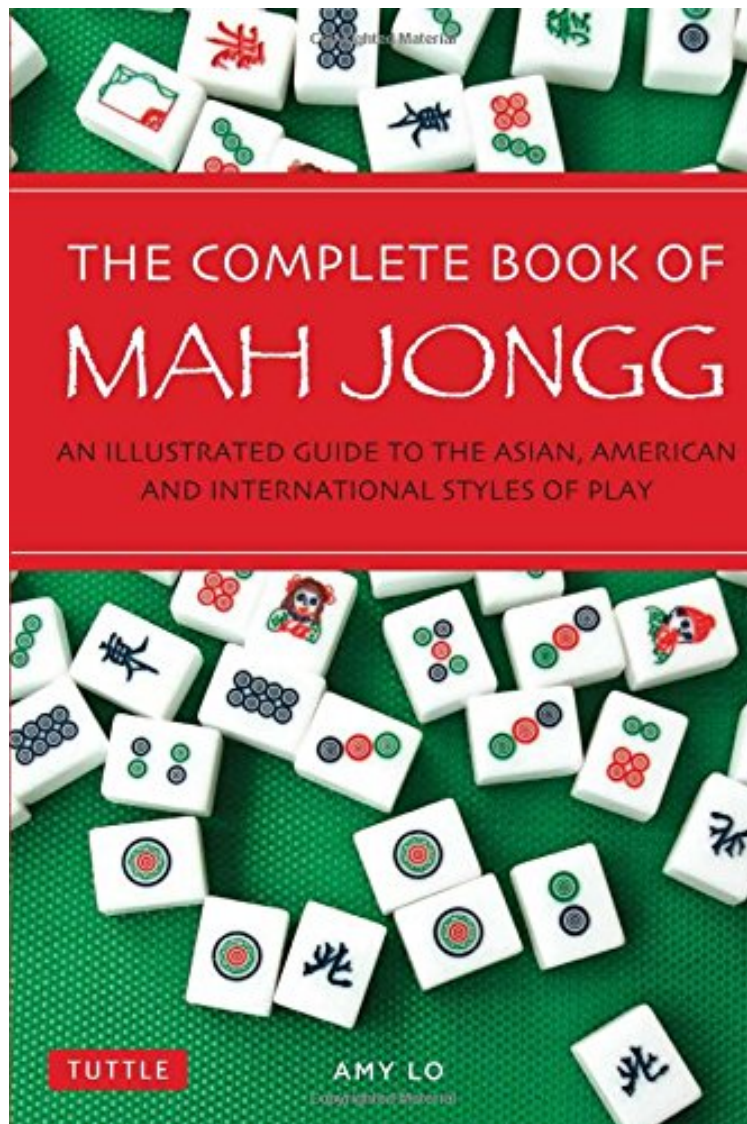


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Provides Cantonese wording for Winning Hand NamesBy Over 50I hoped the Asian section would mirror the Classical Chinese scoring on Wikipedia, explain how hands are scored in-detail, and answer other questions... like how many suit tiles qualify for a half-flush hand. Not really. The fan scoring method did not explain how a chicken hand (0 fan) would still earn two points, while the text indicates earning no points. The fan table/chart, converts fan into points, but does not discuss the conversion itself, implying you just memorize or use the chart provided... up to 12 fan; while one example hand yields 13 fan. Problematic.Fibonacci sequences begin with 11, which must be memorized as a starting point, then one adds the last two numbers to derive the next sequence number; 112, 1123, 11235.... An explanation of 0 fan and 2 points would be helpful. Also, the fan earned are raised as the power of 2, any number raised to the zero power is 1, not 2, if memory serves.If scoring cards came with the book for the Cantonese method, it would serve to assist beginning players, as preset hands yield definite point values... similar to American Mah Jongg League score cards. However, the book does not provide all possible hands, or variations built upon such hands, the challenge with Chinese Mah Jongg scoring. Also, players must memorize Chinese number symbols on the Craks.Each person must decide on the grouping of winning hands. This book organizes according to fan, instead of grouping by hand similarities, and showing how each hand of "simples" changes the point values as the hand evolves to higher point values, for example. IMHO, that would be ideal.The last section includes an "International" version, relying heavily on "Pairs," and precluding runs. Also, explaining you do not draw an extra tile when making a Kong or four of a kind set. I enjoyed the discussion on the order of claiming tiles, making Kongs, and Upper/Lower/Opposite Houses; subject to change by house rules. Again, another roadblock to standardizing game play.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Learn every version of mah jongg!!By Careful ShopperThis was exactly what I expected and I can't wait to learn how to play all the versions of Mah Jongg! I bought it to learn the Chinese version of this game because one of my friends is disappointed in the American version. I think we are both going to enjoy learning this new version.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. beginners levelBy Mark L. Smithtoo basic for me

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