IDENTIFY AND SET ALCHEMISTS

Objective: Be the first to reach the finish line on the score track by creating unstable potions.

1. Setup

- Take a Seat: Click on a colored circle (Seat) to join the table.
- **Decks:** Right-click on the Ingredient, Recipe, and Catastrophe decks -> select **Shuffle**.
- Card Layout: Place Ingredient cards on the designated spots (marked with a cross, arranged in a 4x2 grid). Also, lay out Ingredient cards to the right of the deck itself.

2. Gameplay

Players take turns. On your turn, perform the following actions:

- A. Scavenge (Mandatory) Draw 2 cards from the Ingredient Deck.
- **B. Brew Potion (Optional)** Discard the required cards from your hand to brew a potion (see Recipes).
 - Move your token forward by the indicated number of steps.
 - **Movement:** Counting starts from the first tile (1 step = Tile #1).
 - **Stacking:** If you land on a space with another player, place your token on top of theirs!

C. Hand Check (Mandatory)

- Limit: Maximum 7 cards.
- If you have 8 or more cards: Discard the excess cards. For each discarded card, draw 1 Catastrophe Card and apply its effect immediately!

3. Special Rules

- **Screaming Mandrakes:** If you have exactly **2 Mandrakes** in your hand, they start screaming! Discard both immediately (no effect).
- Unstable Crystal: Replaces any ingredient (Wildcard). However, when using it, you must draw a Catastrophe Card.