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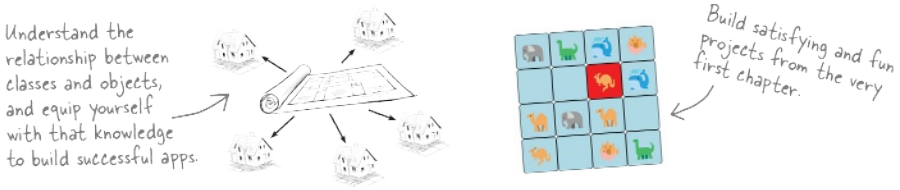


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# 9 Downloadable Project

## Go Fish!

### Write your tests first. Code confidently. Catch bugs before they happen.

One of the most important ideas we've emphasized throughout this book is that writing C# code is a skill, and the best way to improve that skill is to **get lots of practice**. We want to give you as many opportunities to get practice as possible! In this next exercise you'll build a Go Fish card game where you play against computer players—it's a complete app, and it's a longer project to give you some great C# practice. But there's more to this project than just writing code. Unit testing will play an important part, because you'll be doing **test-driven development**. That's a technique where you write your unit tests ***before you write the code that they test***. That sounds a little crazy the first time you hear it, but it's an extremely effective way to write your classes (not to mention a really important professional development skill!).

# Build a card game where you play against the computer

In this project, you'll build a card game where a person plays *Go Fish!* against a number of computer players. Like some of the other projects in the book , you'll do it in parts.

## The rules of Go Fish!

*Go Fish!* is a game played by two to five players. There are a few variations—here are the rules that you'll use for your version:

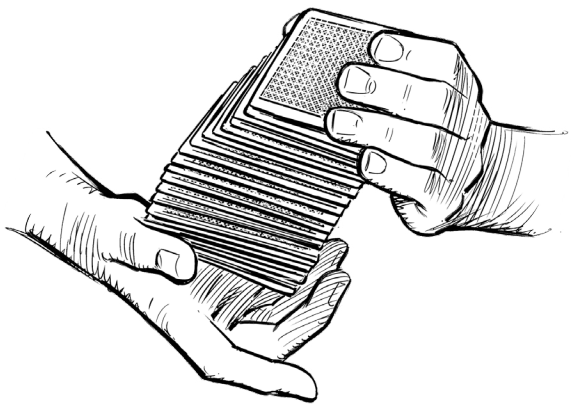
- The game is played with one **human player** and up to four **computer players**.
- The game starts with a **shuffled deck** of 52 playing cards.
- Each player is dealt a **hand** of 5 cards from the deck. The remaining cards are called the **stock**.
- The players play **rounds**, taking turns playing the round. The human player starts each round, followed by each computer player. They go in the same order during each round. During the round, each player:
  - Chooses a **value** from their hand. The value must match one of the cards in the player's hand.
  - Chooses **another player** and asks if they have any cards of that value.
  - If the other player *has any cards with that value*, those cards are **moved** from the other player's hand to the hand of the player who asked for them.
  - If the other player *does not have any cards with that value*, the player asking for the card must "Go fish!" and **draw a card** from the stock. If the stock is out, the player does not draw a card.
  - The player checks their hand for **books** of cards. A book is a set of all four cards in each suit that have the same value. They remove any complete books from their hand and set them aside. After a book is set aside, that book's value is no longer part of the game.
- The game ends when all players are out of cards. The winner of the game is the player with the most books. The game can end in a tie.

## Playing a sample round

Let's walk through one player's actions during a sample round, just to make sure the rules are clear.

**1** **The player checks their hand to see what values they have.**

We'll start with a player that currently has a hand of six cards: Ten of Hearts, Six of Spades, Seven of Diamonds, Eight of Spades, Ten of Diamonds, and Ten of Clubs. It's that player's turn to ask for a card.

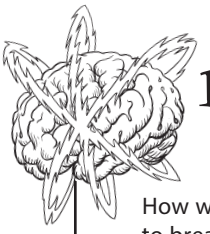


**2** **The player chooses a value and asks another player for that value.**
The current player decides to ask for tens and selects another player to ask. They then ask that other player, "Do you have any 10s?"


**3** **The other player hands over any cards with that value.**
In this case, the other player has one ten, the Ten of Spades. They hand that card over to the player who asked for the card.

**4** **The card is added to the player's hand.**
The player who asked for the ten adds the Ten of Spades to their hand. Their hand now has all four tens.

**5** **Pull out books and move to the next player.**
The player pulls out the book of tens and sets them aside. The player is now done playing the round, and gameplay moves to the next player in the game.

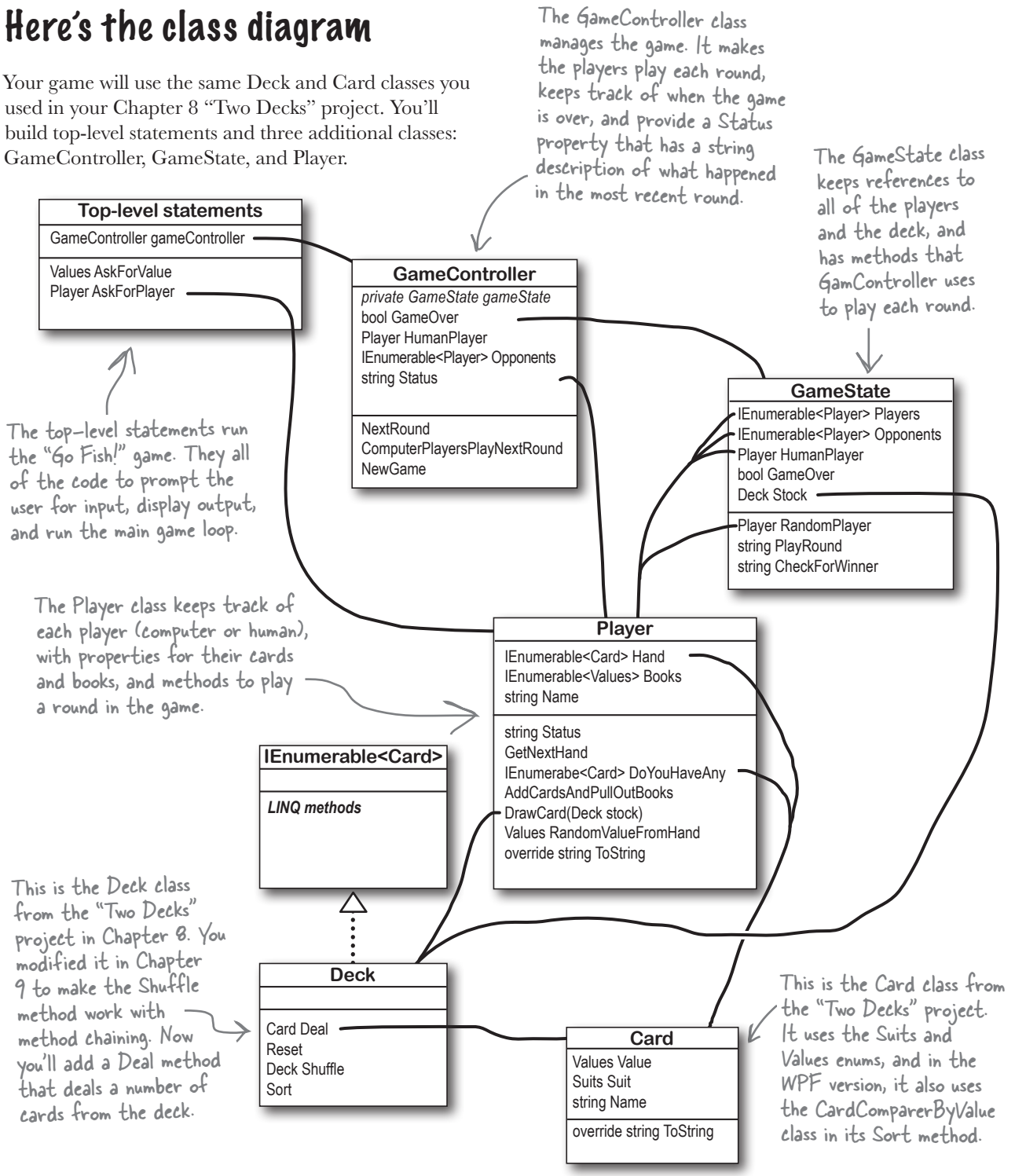


## Brain Power

How would you start building your own Go Fish! game? If you wanted to break the project into smaller parts, what part would you start with?

# Here's the class diagram

Your game will use the same Deck and Card classes you used in your Chapter 8 "Two Decks" project. You'll build top-level statements and three additional classes: GameController, GameState, and Player.



# You'll build this project in multiple parts starting with the Player class

You've done several "Long Exercise" projects now, and each time you broke the project down into steps that you could build one at a time. You'll do the same for this project. Here's how it will work:

1. First, you'll build the Player class with members that control a player and keep track of its hand and books.
2. Then you'll build the GameState class that keeps track of the players and deck in the game, with methods to play a round.
3. After that, you'll build the GameController class that manages the game, calling methods to play round after round until the game is over.
4. Finally, you'll build the top-level statements that take input from the user and display the state of the game.

*How am I supposed to build those classes in that order? I can't run the code in the Player class until I have a GameState, and I can't get to that code without a GameController, and that won't work unless it's called from the top-level statements.*

**You'll use unit tests to build and test each class, starting from the bottom of the class diagram and working your way up.**

The class diagrams that you've seen in the book so far showed you the class members (fields, properties, and methods) and hierarchy (base classes and interfaces they extended). We added additional information to the class diagram for this project: lines that connect the classes and **show how each class uses the other classes**.

First, we arranged the classes in the diagram so that when a class uses another class is above it—for example, the Player class stores Deck and Card references, so the box for the Player class is higher on the page than boxes for Deck and Card. Then we drew each line from the Player class member that uses a Deck or Card reference to the top of the Deck or Card box. The Player.DoYouHaveAny method, for example, returns an IEnumerable<Card> so there's a line from the DoYouHaveAny method in the Player box to the top of the Card box.

It's possible to do the project starting at the top of the diagram, but that would be complicated: to build the Program methods you'd need to create temporary "fake" methods in GameController, then you'd have to do the same for GameState, and then Player—all before you even wrote a single line of code for the top-level statements.

Luckily, ***there's a better way***. You already have the Card and Deck classes, so you can start with the Player class—and you can use **unit tests** to make sure the Player class works before you move on to the members of the GameState class that use it.

**Unit testing is a core developer skill—as important as writing the code itself—and an important one to practice to ramp up your professional developer skillset. It's your safety net, letting you code with confidence knowing you'll catch unexpected issues.**

Do this!

# Create the solution and add a unit test project

The first step in the project is to **create a new .NET Console App project called *GoFish*** and add an **MSTest unit test project called *GoFishTests*** to the solution, just like you did earlier in Chapter 9. Here's a refresher with all of the steps you need to follow to create the project.

## Create a solution with two projects for the app and for the unit tests

First, create a **new Console App (.NET Core) project** called *GoFish*. Then add a second MSTest project:

1. Go to the Solution Explorer and **right-click on the solution name** in the top row (not the project name in the second row).
2. In ***Visual Studio***, choose **Add >> New Project**. In ***VSCode***, choose **New Project** (or click the + button at the right side of the row with the solution name).
3. Search for the **MSTest Test Project template** and select it.
4. Name your new test project **GoFishTestsTests**. In VSCode, choose the default directory.

## Add a project reference so the unit tests can access the classes they need

We learned in Chapter 9 that the different projects in a multiproject are *independent*: the classes in one project can't use classes in another project. If you want one project to access classes in another project, you need to add a **project reference** to it.

The unit test methods in the GoFishTests project need to use classes from the GoFish project, so you'll ***modify the GoFishTests project to add a reference to the GoFish project***.

- **Visual Studio:** Expand the JimmyLinqTests project in the Solution Explorer, right-click on Dependencies, and choose **Add Project Reference** from the menu. Check the box for the JimmyLinq project.
- **Visual Studio Code:** Right-click on the project name in the Solution Explorer and choose **Add Project Reference**. VSCode displays the other projects in the solution. Click on the JimmyLinq project.

## Add your card classes to the GoFish project

Add the **Card, Deck, and CardComparerByValue classes** and the **Suits and Values enums** from the Two Decks project in Chapter 8 to the *Go Fish* project. **Rename the namespace** to `GoFish`. Make **all of the classes and enums public** so the tests can access them.

Make sure you add the version of the Deck class that you modified in Chapter 9 to support method chaining by changing the return type to Deck and returning "this".

We learned all about LINQ in Chapter 9. Here's a quick recap of some useful LINQ syntax and methods that you'll use in this project.

# Here's some LINQ that you'll find useful!

You canuse LINQ methods with any **sequence**, or object that implements the IEnumerable<T> interface. LINQ also includes the Enumerable class, with useful static methods:

- Enumerable.Empty returns an empty sequence
- Enumerable.Range(5, 8) returns a sequence of 8 ints starting at 5: { 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 }
- Enumerable.Repeat("Hi", 3) returns a sequence with the string "Hi" repeated four times: { "Hi", "Hi", "Hi" }

LINQ methods to take the **count**, **minimum**, **maximum**, **sum**, or **average** of a sequence of numbers:

```
var values = Enumerable.Range(5, 8);
Console.WriteLine(values.Count()); // 8
Console.WriteLine(values.Min()); // 3
Console.WriteLine(values.Max()); // 12
Console.WriteLine(values.Sum()); // 68
Console.WriteLine(values.Average()); // 8.5
```

LINQ methods to take the **first** or **last** elements in a sequence and **concatenate** sequences together:

```
var first3 = values.Take(3);
var last2 = values.TakeLast(2);
var joined = first3.Concat(last2);
Console.Write(string.Join(", ", joined));
// writes 5, 6, 7, 11, 12
```

There are LINQ methods to **skip** values in a sequence or take the **first** value in a sequence:

```
var sk = values.Skip(3).Take(4);
var f = sk.First() // 8
Console.WriteLine(string.Join(", ", sk));
// writes 8, 9, 10, 11
```

Use **lambda expressions** with any LINQ method that takes a Func parameter. The **Where method** can filter a sequence so it contains only specific values:

```
var d = new Deck();
var a = d.Where(c => c.Value == Values.Ace);
// a has the four Ace cards in the deck
```

The **Select method** modifies all elements in a sequence:

```
var evens = Enumerable.Range(1, 5)
            .Select(n => n * 2);
// evens contains { 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 }
```

Select works really well with **string interpolation**:

```
var message = evens.Select(n =>
   $"#{n + 1}");
Console.WriteLine(
  string.Join(Environment.NewLine, message))
// Writes 5 lines: #3, #5, #7, #9, #11
```

Use **LINQ query syntax** to manipulate a sequence:

```
var result =
       from v in values // range variable v
       where v < 9 // choose only values >
9
       orderby v descending // sort
       select v * 10; // multiply each by
10
   // result = 80, 70, 60, 50
```

Or **chained LINQ methods** to make the same query:

```
var result = values
  .Where(v => v < 9)
  .OrderByDescending(v => v)
  .Select(v => v * 10);
  // result = 80, 70, 60, 50
```

Use LINQ query syntax for creating **groups**:

```
var groups = from card in new Deck()
   group card by card.Suit
   into suitGroup
   orderby suitGroup.Key descending
   select suitGroup;
// groups contains four groups, one per suit
```

The same query using LINQ methods and lambdas:

```
var groups = new Deck()
    .GroupBy(card => card.Suit)
    .OrderByDescending(
              suitGroup => suitGroup.Key);
```

Each group is an object with a Key property.

*start by creating the player class*

# Exercise

**You'll build this project in *four parts*. First, you'll build the Player class and make sure it passes all of the unit tests. Then you'll build two other classes. Finally, you'll write the top-level statements that make the game run.**

**Part 1: Create the Player class (and make a few small changes to the Deck class).** Here are all of the members of the Player class. This is a **skeleton**, or an outline of a class that has placeholders for (most of) its members but doesn't include the code. We also included XML documentation for all of the public members to help you understand what they need to do.

**Modify your Deck** class so the Shuffle method calls Player.Random instead of Random.Shared, and add this Deal method:

```
public Card Deal(int index)
{
    Card cardToDeal = base[index];
    RemoveAt(index);
    return cardToDeal;
}
```

**Make sure you use the Deck class you modified in Chapter 9 so its Shuffle method can be used with method chaining. Change the line in Deck.Shuffle that gets the next card to call Player.Random.Next instead of Random.Shared.Next:**

```
int index = Player.Random.Next(copy.Count);
```

**Then add the Player class. This class skeleton is your starting point. Some methods throw NotImplementedException exceptions. Your job is to replace them with working code that makes the Player class do what it's supposed to do.**

```
public class Player(string name)
{
    public static Random Random = Random.Shared;

    private List<Card> hand = new List<Card>();
    private List<Values> books = new List<Values>();

    /// <summary>
    /// The cards in the player's hand
    /// </summary>
    public IEnumerable<Card> Hand => hand;

    /// <summary>
    /// The books that the player has pulled out
    /// </summary>
    public IEnumerable<Values> Books => books;


    /// <summary>
    /// Pluralize a word, adding "s" if a value isn't equal to 1
    /// </summary>
    public static string S(int s) => s == 1 ? "" : "s";

    /// <summary>
    /// Returns the current status of the player: the number
    /// of cards and books
    /// </summary>
    public string Status => throw new NotImplementedException();

    /// <summary>
    /// Alternate constructor (used for unit testing)
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="name">Player's name</param>
    /// <param name="cards">Initial set of cards</param>
    public Player(string name, IEnumerable<Card> cards) : this(name)
    {
        hand.AddRange(cards);
    }
```

The Player class has a primary constructor with one parameter, the name of the player.

**We implemented a few of the members—like the Hand and Books properties and their backing fields, the readonly Name field, and a useful S method to pluralize an English word, so $"card{S(hand.Count())}" interpolates to "card" if there's one card in the hand, and "cards" if there are either zero cards or multiple cards in the hand.**

We added this extra constructor that's used by the unit tests.

**We saw earlier in Chapter 9 that you need to make your classes public to use them in the unit test project. Make sure you modify the Card, Deck, and CardComparerByValue classes and Suits and Values enums to add the public access modifier, otherwise you'll get compiler errors about inconsistent accessibility.**

**Make sure you add the Deal method to the Deck class. And don't forget to modify its Shuffle method to call Player.Random.Next instead of Random.Shared.Next, otherwise some of the unit tests won't pass.**

## Exercise

```
    /// <summary>
    /// Gets up to five cards from the stock
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="stock">Stock to get the next hand from</param>
    public void GetNextHand(Deck stock)
    {
        throw new NotImplementedException();
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// If I have any cards that match the value, return them. If I run out of cards, get
    /// the next hand from the deck.
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="value">Value I'm asked for</param>
    /// <param name="deck">Deck to draw my next hand from</param>
    /// <returns>The cards that were pulled out of the other player's hand</returns>
    public IEnumerable<Card> DoYouHaveAny(Values value, Deck deck)
    {
        throw new NotImplementedException();
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// When the player receives cards from another player, adds them to the hand
    /// and pulls out any matching books
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="cards">Cards from the other player to add</param>
    public void AddCardsAndPullOutBooks(IEnumerable<Card> cards)
    {
        throw new NotImplementedException();
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// Draws a card from the stock and add it to the player's hand
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="stock">Stock to draw a card from</param>
    public void DrawCard(Deck stock)
    {
        throw new NotImplementedException();
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// Gets a random value from the player's hand
    /// </summary>
    /// <returns>The value of a randomly selected card in the player's hand</returns>
    public Values RandomValueFromHand() => throw new NotImplementedException();

    public override string ToString() => name;
}
```

**Use LINQ to implement the method RandomValueFromHand: first order the list by card value, then select the value of each card, skip a random number of cards, and choose the first element in the result.**

We gave you XML comments as a starting point to help you figure out what the Player class needs to do. But you'll need more information than that to figure out what the Player class is supposed to do! What do you think we'll give you to help with that?

*when the unit tests pass your player class is done*

**Don't forget to modify your Suits and Values enums and Deck, Card, and CardComparerByValue classes to add the public access modifier and put them in the GoFish namespace.**

## Exercise

**Part 1 (continued): Add the Player class unit tests.** Here's the complete PlayerTests class, along with a MockRandom class used by one of the tests. Add this code to PlayerTests.cs, and add the MockRandom object to the *GoFishTests* project. Your job is to modify the Player class so all of these tests pass.

**Unit tests aren't just useful for making sure your code works. They're also a great way to understand what your code is supposed to do. Part of your job is to read through these unit tests to figure out what the Player class should do. You'll know your class is working when all of the unit tests pass.**

```
using GoFish;
namespace GoFishTests;

[TestClass]
public class PlayerTests
{
    [TestMethod]
    public void TestGetNextHand()
    {
        var player = new Player("Owen", new List<Card>());
        player.GetNextHand(new Deck());
        CollectionAssert.AreEqual(
            new Deck().Take(5).Select(card => card.ToString()).ToList(),
            player.Hand.Select(card => card.ToString()).ToList());
    }

    [TestMethod]
    public void TestDoYouHaveAny()
    {
        IEnumerable<Card> cards = [
            new Card(Values.Jack, Suits.Spades),
            new Card(Values.Three, Suits.Clubs),
            new Card(Values.Three, Suits.Hearts),
            new Card(Values.Four, Suits.Diamonds),
            new Card(Values.Three, Suits.Diamonds),
            new Card(Values.Jack, Suits.Clubs),
        ];

        var player = new Player("Owen", cards);


        var threes = player.DoYouHaveAny(Values.Three, new Deck())
            .Select(Card => Card.ToString())
            .ToList();

        CollectionAssert.AreEqual(
           (string[])["Three of Diamonds", "Three of Clubs", "Three of Hearts"],
           threes);

        Assert.AreEqual(3, player.Hand.Count());

        var jacks = player.DoYouHaveAny(Values.Jack, new Deck())
            .Select(Card => Card.ToString())
            .ToList();

        CollectionAssert.AreEqual((string[])["Jack of Clubs", "Jack of Spades"], jacks);

        var hand = player.Hand.Select(Card => Card.ToString()).ToList();
        CollectionAssert.AreEqual((string[])["Four of Diamonds"], hand);

        Assert.AreEqual("Owen has 1 card and 0 books", player.Status);
    }
```

We saw CollectionAssert in Chapter 9 – it compares an expected collection with an actual result.

GetNewHand returns up to 5 cards from the deck. CollectionAssert can't compare cards, so we used the Select LINQ method to convert them to lists of card names to compare.

The test sets up an instance of Player with a set of cards. We used the constructor that take a name and a sequence of cards to start with a hand that has two jacks, three threes, and a four.

The DoYouHaveAny method removes the matching cards from the player's hand and returns them—in this case, the three threes.

The second call to DoYouHaveAny returns the two jacks and removes them from the player's hand. Make sure your method sorts the cards before you return them so they match the test.

The end of the test checks the cards in the Player's hand and verifies the Status property.

**Notice how we're using a cast when we create the collection expression? We need to do that so the C# compiler knows what type of collection to create:**

```
(string[])["Jack of Clubs", "Jack of Spades"]
```

# Exercise

Carefully read through the code in this test method. Between the test and the XML comments, you can figure out what the AddCardsAndPullOutBooks method does.

**The Player.RandomValueFromHand method uses the Random class to generate random values. How do you test a method that relies on a random number? We used a mock object, or a simulated Random object that mimics the behavior of the actual .NET Random class. Lucky for us, the Next and NextInt methods in the .NET Random class are `virtual`, so we created a MockRandom class that extends System.Random but overrides those methods. We added a ValueToReturn property to tell the mock object what int value its Next and NextInt methods should return. That lets us test methods that rely on random numbers. That's why the Player class has a static Random field that it uses to generate random numbers.**

```
    [TestMethod]
    public void TestAddCardsAndPullOutBooks()
    {
        IEnumerable<Card> cards = [
            new Card(Values.Jack, Suits.Spades),
            new Card(Values.Three, Suits.Clubs),
            new Card(Values.Jack, Suits.Hearts),
            new Card(Values.Three, Suits.Hearts),
            new Card(Values.Four, Suits.Diamonds),
            new Card(Values.Jack, Suits.Diamonds),
            new Card(Values.Jack, Suits.Clubs),
        ];

        var player = new Player("Owen", cards);

        Assert.AreEqual(0, player.Books.Count());

        List<Card> cardsToAdd = [
            new Card(Values.Three, Suits.Diamonds),
            new Card(Values.Three, Suits.Spades),
        ];
        player.AddCardsAndPullOutBooks(cardsToAdd);

        var books = player.Books.ToList();
        CollectionAssert.AreEqual((Values[])[Values.Three, Values.Jack], books);

        var hand = player.Hand.Select(Card => Card.ToString()).ToList();
        CollectionAssert.AreEqual((string[])["Four of Diamonds"], hand);

        Assert.AreEqual("Owen has 1 card and 2 books", player.Status);
    }

    [TestMethod]
    public void TestDrawCard()
    {
        var player = new Player("Owen", new List<Card>());
        player.DrawCard(new Deck());
        Assert.AreEqual(1, player.Hand.Count());
        Assert.AreEqual("Ace of Diamonds", player.Hand.First().ToString());
    }

    [TestMethod]
    public void TestRandomValueFromHand()
    {
        var player = new Player("Owen", new Deck());

        Player.Random = new MockRandom() { ValueToReturn = 0 };
        Assert.AreEqual("Ace", player.RandomValueFromHand().ToString());
        Player.Random = new MockRandom() { ValueToReturn = 16 };
        Assert.AreEqual("Five", player.RandomValueFromHand().ToString());
        Player.Random = new MockRandom() { ValueToReturn = 51 };
        Assert.AreEqual("King", player.RandomValueFromHand().ToString());
    }
}

/// <summary>
/// Mock Random for testing that always returns a specific value
/// </summary>
public class MockRandom : System.Random
{
    public int ValueToReturn { get; set; } = 0;
    public override int Next() => ValueToReturn;
    public override int Next(int maxValue) => ValueToReturn;
    public override int Next(int minValue, int maxValue) => ValueToReturn;
}
```

The DrawCard method pulls the next card out of the deck and adds it to the player's hand. What happens if the deck is empty? How would you test that?

We replaced the Player.Random reference with a reference to a new MockRandom object with ValueToReturn set to return a specific value.

Here's our mock Random object that overrides its int methods to return a specific value.

# Exercise Solution

Here's our code for the Player class. Remember, it's **not cheating** to peek at our solution when you're working on your code! Just make sure you take the time to understand it all.

```
namespace GoFish;

public class Player(string name)
{
    public static Random Random = Random.Shared;

    private List<Card> hand = new List<Card>();
    private List<Values> books = new List<Values>();

    /// <summary>
    /// The cards in the player's hand
    /// </summary>
    public IEnumerable<Card> Hand => hand;

    /// <summary>
    /// The books that the player has pulled out
    /// </summary>
    public IEnumerable<Values> Books => books;

    /// <summary>
    /// Pluralize a word, adding "s" if a value isn't equal to 1
    /// </summary>
    public static string S(int s) => s == 1 ? "" : "s";

    /// <summary>
    /// Returns the current status of the player: the number of cards and books
    /// </summary>
    public string Status =>
       $"{name} has {hand.Count()} card{S(hand.Count())} and {books.Count()} book{S(books.Count())}";

    /// <summary>
    /// Alternate constructor (used for unit testing)
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="name">Player's name</param>
    /// <param name="cards">Initial set of cards</param>
    public Player(string name, IEnumerable<Card> cards) : this(name)
    {
        hand.AddRange(cards);
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// Gets up to five cards from the stock
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="stock">Stock to get the next hand from</param>
    public void GetNextHand(Deck stock)
    {
        while ((stock.Count() > 0) && (hand.Count < 5))
        {
            hand.Add(stock.Deal(0));
        }
    }
```

**There are many ways to solve any programming problem. It's okay if your code looks different than ours, as long as the unit tests pass! For example, we used LINQ methods, but it's absolutely valid to use LINQ query syntax. You don't even have to use LINQ at all! But make sure you take the time to understand our solution, even if you came up with a different (and possibly better!) way to solve the same problem.**

You can use the unit tests figure out exactly what the Status method should return. We used the S method to pluralize "card" and "book" in the status message.

There are lots of ways to get up to 5 cards from the deck. We decided to use a while loop. What did you come up with?

**Unit testing is a crucial skill for any professional developer, helping catch bugs early and ensure code reliability. Many companies consider it a core job skill, expecting even new people on the team to write unit tests as part of their everyday coding work from day one.**

# Exercise Solution

```
    /// <summary>
    /// If I have any cards that match the value, return them. If I run out of cards, get
    /// the next hand from the deck.
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="value">Value I'm asked for</param>
    /// <param name="deck">Deck to draw my next hand from</param>
    /// <returns>The cards that were pulled out of the other player's hand</returns>
    public IEnumerable<Card> DoYouHaveAny(Values value, Deck deck)
    {
        var matchingCards = hand.Where(card => card.Value == value)
            .OrderBy(Card => Card.Suit);
        hand = hand.Where(card => card.Value != value).ToList();

        if (hand.Count() == 0)
            GetNextHand(deck);

        return matchingCards;
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// When the player receives cards from another player, adds them to the hand
    /// and pulls out any matching books
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="cards">Cards from the other player to add</param>
    public void AddCardsAndPullOutBooks(IEnumerable<Card> cards)
    {
        hand.AddRange(cards);

        var foundBooks = hand
            .GroupBy(card => card.Value)
            .Where(group => group.Count() == 4)
            .Select(group => group.Key);

        books.AddRange(foundBooks);
        books.Sort();

        hand = hand
            .Where(card => !books.Contains(card.Value))
            .ToList();
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// Draws a card from the stock and add it to the player's hand
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="stock">Stock to draw a card from</param>
    public void DrawCard(Deck stock)
    {
        if (stock.Count > 0)
            AddCardsAndPullOutBooks(new List<Card>() { stock.Deal(0) });
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// Gets a random value from the player's hand
    /// </summary>
    /// <returns>The value of a randomly selected card in the player's hand</returns>
    public Values RandomValueFromHand() => hand.OrderBy(card => card.Value)
        .Select(card => card.Value)
        .Skip(Random.Next(hand.Count()))
        .First();

    public override string ToString() => name;
}
```

We used Where and OrderBy to pull the matching cards out of the hand to return them, then used Where to remove those same cards.

The rules say that when a player runs out of cards, they need to draw a new hand from the stock.

The first thing the method does is add the cards to the hand.

We used GroupBy to group the hand by value, then Where to include only the groups that have all four suits, and finally Select to convert each group to its key, the suit.

Once the method finds the books, it adds them to its private books field, and then updates its private hand field to remove any cards that match a found book.

**DrawCard needs to pull out the books after it deals a card. Can you figure out how to add a unit test to make sure that works?**

We sorted the hand by value so the test will always start with the hand in the same order.

To get a random value from the hand, we used the Select method to convert each card to its value, then skipped a random number of cards and got the next one.

*I can use unit tests to make sure one class works before moving on to the next one, so I can choose to implement the classes in any order I want.*

### Unit tests let you develop code your own way.

One of the most challenging parts of real-world software development is figuring out how to manage your projects, and unit tests can help you do that. At the beginning of the book, you were doing small projects, so you didn't really need to plan your approach. But now that you're doing much larger projects, you need to take a more systematic approach. Unit tests can help you choose an approach that works well for your project because they let you be **flexible** about the order that you build your classes. They let you choose which part of the code to work on first, and give you a good stopping point—all unit tests for that part of the code pass—so you can be confident moving on to the next part of the project.

## Test-driven development means writing unit tests first

Unit tests help you take on larger projects by giving you the flexibility to choose what part of the code to work on first, and a good stopping point for that part of the code so you can more easily break the project up into parts—which is what we did with this project.

But we did something else that's even more important: we had you **create the unit tests first**. We gave you the skeleton of the Player class, then we gave you a unit test so you could see exactly what it's supposed to do. It was your job to write the code for the Player class to make it pass the tests. When you write unit tests first, it's called **test-driven development** (or **TDD**).

You'll use test-driven development to build the GameState and GameController classes. We'll give you their unit tests, just like we did with the Player class, and you'll use those tests to figure out exactly what the classes are supposed to do.

You can do test-driven development on any project! It's a great way to make sure you really understand what your classes are supposed to do, and you end up with a lot fewer bugs than you would without it.

## Exercise

**Part 2: Create the GameState class.** Here's a skeleton for the GameState class. Like before, we gave you a **skeleton**—we gave you the fields and properties, and it's up to you to implement the methods that throw NotImplementedExceptions.

```
public class GameState
{
    public readonly IEnumerable<Player> Players;
    public readonly IEnumerable<Player> Opponents;
    public readonly Player HumanPlayer;
    public bool GameOver { get; private set; } = false;

    public readonly Deck Stock;

    /// <summary>
    /// Constructor creates the players and deals their first hands
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="humanPlayerName">Name of the human player</param>
    /// <param name="opponentNames">Names of the computer players</param>
    /// <param name="stock">Shuffled stock of cards to deal from</param>
    public GameState(string humanPlayerName, IEnumerable<string> opponentNames,
                     Deck stock)
    {
        throw new NotImplementedException();
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// Gets a random player that doesn't match the current player
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="currentPlayer">The current player</param>
    /// <returns>A random player that the current player can ask for a card</returns>
    public Player RandomPlayer(Player currentPlayer) =>
        throw new NotImplementedException();

    /// <summary>
    /// Makes one player play a round
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="player">The player asking for a card</param>
    /// <param name="playerToAsk">The player being asked for a card</param>
    /// <param name="valueToAskFor">The value to ask the player for</param>
    /// <param name="stock">The stock to draw cards from</param>
    /// <returns>A message that describes what just happened</returns>
    public string PlayRound(Player player, Player playerToAsk,
                            Values valueToAskFor, Deck stock)
    {
        throw new NotImplementedException();
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// Checks for a winner by seeing if any players have any cards left,
    /// sets GameOver
    /// if the game is over and there's a winner
    /// </summary>
    /// <returns>String with the winners, empty string if there are no winners</returns>
    public string CheckForWinner()
    {
        throw new NotImplementedException();
    }
}
```

## Exercise

**Part 2 (continued): Add the GameState class unit tests.** Here's the complete GameStateTests class. In addition to tests for each method in the class, it also includes a separate test for the constructor that's more complex than the Player constructor.

```
using GoFish;
namespace GoFishTests;

[TestClass]
public class GameStateTests
{
    [TestMethod]
    public void TestConstructor()
    {
        var computerPlayerNames = new List<string>()
        {
            "Computer1",
            "Computer2",
            "Computer3",
        };
        var gameState = new GameState("Human", computerPlayerNames, new Deck());

        CollectionAssert.AreEqual(
            new List<string> { "Human", "Computer1", "Computer2", "Computer3" },
            gameState.Players.Select(player => player.ToString()).ToList());

        Assert.AreEqual(5, gameState.HumanPlayer.Hand.Count());
    }


    [TestMethod]
    public void TestRandomPlayer()
    {
        var computerPlayerNames = new List<string>()
        {
            "Computer1",
            "Computer2",
            "Computer3",
        };

        var gameState = new GameState("Human", computerPlayerNames, new Deck());
        Player.Random = new MockRandom() { ValueToReturn = 1 };
        Assert.AreEqual("Computer2",
                        gameState.RandomPlayer(gameState.Players.ToList()[0]).ToString());

        Player.Random = new MockRandom() { ValueToReturn = 0 };
        Assert.AreEqual("Human", gameState.RandomPlayer(gameState.Players.ToList()[1]).
ToString());
        Assert.AreEqual("Computer1",
                        gameState.RandomPlayer(gameState.Players.ToList()[0]).ToString());
    }

    [TestMethod]
    public void TestPlayRound()
    {
        var deck = new Deck();
        deck.Clear();
        List<Card> cardsToAdd = [

            // Cards the game will deal to Owen
            new Card(Values.Jack, Suits.Spades),
            new Card(Values.Jack, Suits.Hearts),
            new Card(Values.Six, Suits.Spades),
            new Card(Values.Jack, Suits.Diamonds),
            new Card(Values.Six, Suits.Hearts),
```

The constructor takes three parameters: the name of the human player, the names of the computer players, and a Deck object to serve as the stock.

The GameState constructor calls each player's GetNextHand method to deal their initial hand. We already tested that method in PlayerTests, so we didn't include an in-depth test for it here.

To test the RandomPlayer method, we set up a GameState, then used the MockRandom object to get RandomPlayer to return a specific player.

We test the PlayRound method by setting up a deck to deal to our Owen and Brittany players. Once the deck is set up, we create a GameState with the two players and call PlayRound to play out the rounds.

# Exercise

```
            // Cards the game will deal to Brittney
            new Card(Values.Six, Suits.Diamonds),
            new Card(Values.Six, Suits.Clubs),
            new Card(Values.Seven, Suits.Spades),
            new Card(Values.Jack, Suits.Clubs),
            new Card(Values.Nine, Suits.Spades),

            // Two more cards in the deck for Owen to draw when he runs out
            new Card(Values.Queen, Suits.Hearts),
            new Card(Values.King, Suits.Spades),
        ];

        foreach (var card in cardsToAdd)
            deck.Add(card);

        var gameState = new GameState("Owen", [ "Brittney" ], deck);

        var owen = gameState.HumanPlayer;
        var brittney = gameState.Opponents.First();

        Assert.AreEqual("Owen", owen.ToString());
        Assert.AreEqual(5, owen.Hand.Count());
        Assert.AreEqual("Brittney", brittney.ToString());
        Assert.AreEqual(5, brittney.Hand.Count());

        var message = gameState.PlayRound(owen, brittney, Values.Jack, deck);
        Assert.AreEqual("Owen asked Brittney for Jacks" + Environment.NewLine +
            "Brittney has 1 Jack card", message);
        Assert.AreEqual(1, owen.Books.Count());
        Assert.AreEqual(2, owen.Hand.Count());
        Assert.AreEqual(0, brittney.Books.Count());
        Assert.AreEqual(4, brittney.Hand.Count());

        message = gameState.PlayRound(brittney, owen, Values.Six, deck);
            Assert.AreEqual("Brittney asked Owen for Sixes" + Environment.NewLine +
                "Owen has 2 Six cards", message);
        Assert.AreEqual(1, owen.Books.Count());
        Assert.AreEqual(2, owen.Hand.Count());
        Assert.AreEqual(1, brittney.Books.Count());
        Assert.AreEqual(2, brittney.Hand.Count());

        message = gameState.PlayRound(owen, brittney, Values.Queen, deck);
        Assert.AreEqual("Owen asked Brittney for Queens" + Environment.NewLine +
            "The stock is out of cards", message);
        Assert.AreEqual(1, owen.Books.Count());
        Assert.AreEqual(2, owen.Hand.Count());
    }

    [TestMethod]
    public void TestCheckForAWinner()
    {
        List<string> computerPlayerNames = [
            "Computer1",
            "Computer2",
            "Computer3",
        ];

        var emptyDeck = new Deck();
        emptyDeck.Clear();
        var gameState = new GameState("Human", computerPlayerNames, emptyDeck);
        Assert.AreEqual("The winners are Human and Computer1 and Computer2 and Computer3",
                        gameState.CheckForWinner());
    }
}
```

Here's where we set up the deck, then create the GameState with one human player (Owen) and one computer player (Brittney).

Next we make sure the GameState was set up correctly, with hands of five cards dealt to each of the two players.

In the first round, Owen asks Brittney for Jacks. We set up the deck so that Brittney has one jack.

Look closely at the message that the PlayRound method returns. Your PlayRound method should return a message that looks just like this. Notice how "Sixes" is spelled correctly.

We checked for a winner by setting up a GameState with an empty deck, so all of the players would be dealt empty hands. They all have the same number of books, so they'll all be winners.

**We're using Environment.NewLine to add line breaks (instead of @ verbatim strings) because we want this code to work on both Mac and Windows, and your test will fail if it tries to compare \n against \r\n.**

**Can you think of additional ways to test that the CheckForAWinner method works? Try writing another unit test for that method.**

# Exercise Solution

Here's our code for the GameState class. It has a constructor and methods to pick a random player, play a round, and check for a winner.

```
namespace GoFish;

public class GameState
{
    public readonly IEnumerable<Player> Players;
    public readonly IEnumerable<Player> Opponents;
    public readonly Player HumanPlayer;
    public bool GameOver { get; private set; } = false;

    public readonly Deck Stock;

    /// <summary>
    /// Constructor creates the players and deals their first hands
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="humanPlayerName">Name of the human player</param>
    /// <param name="opponentNames">Names of the computer players</param>
    /// <param name="stock">Shuffled stock of cards to deal from</param>
    public GameState(string humanPlayerName, IEnumerable<string> opponentNames,
                     Deck stock)
    {
        this.Stock = stock;

        HumanPlayer = new Player(humanPlayerName);
        HumanPlayer.GetNextHand(Stock);

        var opponents = new List<Player>();
        foreach (string name in opponentNames)
        {
            var player = new Player(name);
            player.GetNextHand(stock);
            opponents.Add(player);
        }
        Opponents = opponents;
        Players = new List<Player>() { HumanPlayer }.Concat(Opponents);
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// Gets a random player that doesn't match the current player
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="currentPlayer">The current player</param>
    /// <returns>A random player that the current player can ask for a card</returns>
    public Player RandomPlayer(Player currentPlayer) =>
        Players
            .Where(player => player != currentPlayer)
            .Skip(Player.Random.Next(Players.Count() - 1))
            .First();
```

Create the Player object for the human player and draw its next hand from the shuffled stock of cards.

Create the Player object for each computer player and draw their cards.

We used the LINQ Concat method to create the list of all players (human and computer).

We used the LINQ methods to get a random player from the list of players. First we use Where to make sure we're picking a player who isn't the current player, then we skip a random number of players, and pull the first player from the list.

# Exercise Solution

```
    /// <summary>
    /// Makes one player play a round
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="player">The player asking for a card</param>
    /// <param name="playerToAsk">The player being asked for a card</param>
    /// <param name="valueToAskFor">The value to ask the player for</param>
    /// <param name="stock">The stock to draw cards from</param>
    /// <returns>A message that describes what just happened</returns>
    public string PlayRound(Player player, Player playerToAsk,
                            Values valueToAskFor, Deck stock)
    {
        var valuePlural = (valueToAskFor == Values.Six) ? "Sixes" : $"{valueToAskFor}s";
        var message = $"{player} asked {playerToAsk}"
                    + $" for {valuePlural}{Environment.NewLine}";
        var cards = playerToAsk.DoYouHaveAny(valueToAskFor, stock);
        if (cards.Count() > 0)
        {
            player.AddCardsAndPullOutBooks(cards);
            message += $"{playerToAsk} has {cards.Count()}"
                     + $" {valueToAskFor} card{Player.S(cards.Count())}";
        }
        else if (stock.Count == 0) {
            message += $"The stock is out of cards";
        }

        else
        {
            player.DrawCard(stock);
            message += $"{player} drew a card";
        }

        if (player.Hand.Count() == 0)
        {
            player.GetNextHand(stock);
            message += $"{Environment.NewLine}{player} ran out of cards,"
                     + $" drew {player.Hand.Count()} from the stock";
        }

        return message;
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// Checks for a winner by seeing if any players have any cards left, sets GameOver
    /// if the game is over and there's a winner
    /// </summary>
    /// <returns>String with the winners, empty string if there are no winners</returns>
    public string CheckForWinner()
    {
        var playerCards = Players.Select(player => player.Hand.Count()).Sum();
        if (playerCards > 0) return "";
        GameOver = true;
        var winningBookCount = Players.Select(player => player.Books.Count()).Max();
        var winners = Players.Where(player => player.Books.Count() == winningBookCount);
        if (winners.Count() == 1) return $"The winner is {winners.First()}";
        return $"The winners are {string.Join(" and ", winners)}";
    }
}
```

We used the conditional operator to make the message correctly use the word "Sixes"

The PlayRound method relies on the methods you already added to the Player class to ask another player for a card, add those cards and pull out books or draw a card from the stock, and get the next hand if the player is out.

## Exercise

**Part 3: Add the GameController class and unit tests.** Here's the skeleton for the GameController class, followed by the GameControllerTests class with unit tests for the constructor and its two methods, NextRound and NewGame. The NextRound method calls a private ComputerPlayersPlayRound method.

```
public class GameController
{
    private GameState gameState;
    public bool GameOver { get { return gameState.GameOver; } }
    public Player HumanPlayer { get { return gameState.HumanPlayer; } }
    public IEnumerable<Player> Opponents { get { return gameState.Opponents; } }

    public string Status { get; private set; }

    /// <summary>
    /// Constructs a new GameController
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="humanPlayerName">Name of the human player</param>
    /// <param name="computerPlayerNames">Names of the computer players</param>
    public GameController(string humanPlayerName, IEnumerable<string> computerPlayerNames)
    {
        throw new NotImplementedException();
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// Plays the next round, ending the game if everyone ran out of cards
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="playerToAsk">Which player the human is asking for a card</param>
    /// <param name="valueToAskFor">The value of the card the human is asking for</param>
    public void NextRound(Player playerToAsk, Values valueToAskFor)
    {
        throw new NotImplementedException();
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// All of the computer players that have cards play the next round. If the human is
    /// out of cards, then the deck is depleted and they play out the rest of the game.
    /// </summary>
    private void ComputerPlayersPlayNextRound()
    {
        throw new NotImplementedException();
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// Starts a new game with the same player names
    /// </summary>
    public void NewGame()
    {
        throw new NotImplementedException();
    }
}
```

← The Status property is important. The constructor, NextRound, and NewGame methods update it so the app can use it to write messages for the player.

**Unit tests only test public class members. We included a private method called ComputerPlayersPlayNextRound, which is called by NextRound. You won't test that method directly—but you'll know that it works correctly if the unit test for the NextRound method passes.**

**Make sure you modify the Deck.Shuffle method to call Player.Random.Next instead of Random.Shared.Next, otherwise some of the unit tests won't pass.**

## Exercise

```
using GoFish;
namespace GoFishTests;

[TestClass]
public class GameControllerTests
{
    [TestInitialize]
    public void Initialize()
    {
        Player.Random = new MockRandom() { ValueToReturn = 0 };
    }

    [TestMethod]
    public void TestConstructor()
    {
        var gameController = new GameController("Human",
                        [ "Player1", "Player2", "Player3" ]);
        Assert.AreEqual("Starting a new game with players Human, Player1, Player2, Player3",
                        gameController.Status);
    }

    [TestMethod]
    public void TestNextRound()
    {
        // The constructor shuffles the deck, but MockRandom makes sure it stays in order
        // so Owen should have Ace to 5 of Diamonds, Brittney should have 6 to 10 of Diamonds
        var gameController = new GameController("Owen", new List<string>() { "Brittney" });

        gameController.NextRound(gameController.Opponents.First(), Values.Six);
        Assert.AreEqual("Owen asked Brittney for Sixes" +
         Environment.NewLine + "Brittney has 1 Six card" +
         Environment.NewLine + "Brittney asked Owen for Sevens" +
         Environment.NewLine + "Brittney drew a card" +
         Environment.NewLine + "Owen has 6 cards and 0 books" +
         Environment.NewLine + "Brittney has 5 cards and 0 books" +
         Environment.NewLine + "The stock has 41 cards" +
         Environment.NewLine, gameController.Status);
    }

    [TestMethod]
    public void TestNewGame()
    {
        Player.Random = new MockRandom() { ValueToReturn = 0 };
        var gameController = new GameController("Owen", new List<string>() { "Brittney" });
        gameController.NextRound(gameController.Opponents.First(), Values.Six);
        gameController.NewGame();
        Assert.AreEqual("Owen", gameController.HumanPlayer.ToString());
        Assert.AreEqual("Brittney", gameController.Opponents.First().ToString());
        Assert.AreEqual("Starting a new game", gameController.Status);
    }
}
```

We need to set Player.Random to a new MockRandom that always returns 0 to make sure the deck is in order and the players always pick the same "random" value from their hands. We put this in a method marked with the [TestInitialize] attribute, which tells MSTest to always run that method before running any of the tests in the class.

The constructor test checks to make sure the Status property is updated correctly after the GameController is instantiated.

The NextRound method uses the GameState.RandomPlayer and Player.RandomValueFromHand methods to make the computer players choose a random value to ask for and a player to ask, so we'll use MockRandom to test it.

The NextRound method calls the GameState method to make the human player to play the next round, then calls the private ComputerPlayersPlayNextRound method to make the computer players play. All the test needs to do is check the Status property—if the status matches the expected result of the first round we can be comfortable that the method works.

Starting a new game causes GameController to create a new GameState with a newly shuffled Deck (which will actually be in order because we're using MockRandom).

**NextRound eventually calls each Player object's RandomValueFromHand method. We made sure it sorts the hand before picking a random value, so when we use MockRandom it will always pick the same "random" values for the test.**

## Exercise Solution

Here's our code for the Player class. Remember, it's **not cheating** to peek at our solution when you're working on your code! Just make sure you take the time to understand it all.

```
namespace GoFish;

public class GameController
{
    private GameState gameState;
    public bool GameOver { get { return gameState.GameOver; } }
    public Player HumanPlayer { get { return gameState.HumanPlayer; } }
    public IEnumerable<Player> Opponents { get { return gameState.Opponents; } }

    public string Status { get; private set; }

    /// <summary>
    /// Constructs a new GameController
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="humanPlayerName">Name of the human player</param>
    /// <param name="computerPlayerNames">Names of the computer players</param>
    public GameController(string humanPlayerName, IEnumerable<string> computerPlayerNames)
    {
        gameState = new GameState(humanPlayerName, computerPlayerNames, new Deck().Shuffle());
        Status = $"Starting a new game with players {string.Join(", ", gameState.Players)}";
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// Plays the next round, ending the game if everyone ran out of cards
    /// </summary>
    /// <param name="playerToAsk">Which player the human is asking for a card</param>
    /// <param name="valueToAskFor">The value of the card the human is asking for</param>
    public void NextRound(Player playerToAsk, Values valueToAskFor)
    {
        Status = gameState.PlayRound(gameState.HumanPlayer, playerToAsk,
                                     valueToAskFor, gameState.Stock) + Environment.NewLine;

        ComputerPlayersPlayNextRound();

        Status += string.Join(Environment.NewLine,
                              gameState.Players.Select(player => player.Status));
        Status += $"{Environment.NewLine}The stock has {gameState.Stock.Count()} cards";

        Status += Environment.NewLine + gameState.CheckForWinner();
    }
```

In Chapter 9 you modified the Shuffle method so it can be used with method chaining. We're using that here.

# Exercise Solution

```
    /// <summary>
    /// All of the computer players that have cards play the next round. If the human is
    /// out of cards, then the deck is depleted and they play out the rest of the game.
    /// </summary>
    private void ComputerPlayersPlayNextRound()
    {
        IEnumerable<Player> computerPlayersWithCards;
        do
        {
            computerPlayersWithCards =
                gameState
                    .Opponents
                    .Where(player => player.Hand.Count() > 0);
            foreach (Player player in computerPlayersWithCards)
            {
                var randomPlayer = gameState.RandomPlayer(player);
                var randomValue = player.RandomValueFromHand();
                Status += gameState
                          .PlayRound(player, randomPlayer, randomValue, gameState.Stock)
                         + Environment.NewLine;
            }
        } while ((gameState.HumanPlayer.Hand.Count() == 0)
                    && (computerPlayersWithCards.Count() > 0));
    }

    /// <summary>
    /// Starts a new game with the same player names
    /// </summary>
    public void NewGame()
    {
        Status = "Starting a new game";
        gameState = new GameState(gameState.HumanPlayer.ToString(),
            gameState.Opponents.Select(player => player.ToString()),
            new Deck().Shuffle());
    }
}
```

**Here's a great opportunity to get some practice writing unit tests. Can you come up with more tests for your Player, GameState, and GameController classes?**

# Exercise

**Part 4: Add the top-level statements.** Now that the "guts" of the game are done, it's time to finish the project. Here's a sample run of the game. It starts by asking the user'name and the number of computer opponents (which must be between 1 and 5). Then it plays each round, writing the cards in the player's hand to the console, then prompting for a card to ask for (which must be in the player's hand) and an opponent to ask for a card. To finish the round, it calls GameController.NextRound and displays GameController.Status. When the game is over, it asks the player to press Q to quit, or any other key for a new game.

There aren't unit tests for the top-level statements. Look closely at the output and create top-level statements that generate matching output. We've given you a skeleton for them as a starting point.

```
Enter your name: Andrew
Enter the number of computer opponents: 4
Welcome to the game, Andrew
Starting a new game with players Human, Computer #1, Computer #2, Computer #3, Computer #4
Your hand:
Ace of Clubs
Three of Hearts
Six of Diamonds
Six of Spades
Ten of Hearts
What card value do you want to ask for? Six
1. Computer #1
2. Computer #2
3. Computer #3
4. Computer #4
Who do you want to ask for a card? 2
Human asked Computer #2 for Sixes
Human drew a card
Computer #1 asked Computer #3 for Threes
Computer #1 drew a card
Computer #2 asked Human for Queens
Computer #2 drew a card
Computer #3 asked Computer #1 for Twos
Computer #3 drew a card
Computer #4 asked Computer #2 for Tens
Computer #4 drew a card
Human has 6 cards and 0 books
Computer #1 has 6 cards and 0 books
Computer #2 has 6 cards and 0 books
Computer #3 has 6 cards and 0 books
Computer #4 has 6 cards and 0 books
The stock has 22 cards
Your hand:
Ace of Clubs
Three of Hearts
Six of Diamonds
Six of Spades
Seven of Hearts
Ten of Hearts
```

The top-level statements manage game flow, handle user input, and interact with GameController to play the game. Here's what how they work:

1. Prompt for human player's name and the number of computer opponents (between 1 and 4).

2. Initialize the game:

- Create a GameController with the human player and computer opponents.
- Display the initial game status.

3. Run the main game loop, continuing until the game is over:

- Display the human player's hand.
- Prompt the player to select a card value and an opponent.
- Make the computer players take their turns
- Display the game status.

4. Handle the end of the game:

- Prompt to quit or start a new game.
  Reset the game if a new game is chosen.

There are lots of ways to build this app. We recommed that you add these two methods:

- PromptForAValue: Asks the player for a card value currently in their hand.
- PromptForAnOpponent: Asks the player to select an opponent to ask for a card.

## Convert a string to a Values enum with Enum.TryParse

Here's a useful method that will help. Enum.TryParse tries to convert a string into a matching enum value and tells you if it worked or not. It works just like int.TryParse, which you've been using throughout the book. Try using AI to research how it works!

```
What card value do you want to ask for? Ten
1. Computer #1
2. Computer #2
3. Computer #3
4. Computer #4
Who do you want to ask for a card? 4
Human asked Computer #4 for Tens
Computer #4 has 1 Ten card
Computer #1 asked Computer #3 for Jacks
Computer #3 has 1 Jack card
Computer #2 asked Computer #1 for Twos
Computer #2 drew a card
Computer #3 asked Computer #1 for Twos
Computer #3 drew a card
Computer #4 asked Computer #2 for Sevens
Computer #2 has 1 Seven card
Human has 7 cards and 0 books
Computer #1 has 7 cards and 0 books
Computer #2 has 6 cards and 0 books
Computer #3 has 6 cards and 0 books
Computer #4 has 6 cards and 0 books
The stock has 20 cards

Your hand:
Ace of Clubs
Three of Hearts
Six of Diamonds
Six of Spades
Seven of Hearts
Ten of Hearts
Ten of Spades
What card value do you want to ask for?
Seven
1. Computer #1
2. Computer #2
3. Computer #3
4. Computer #4
Who do you want to ask for a card? 4
Human asked Computer #4 for Sevens
Computer #4 has 2 Seven cards
Computer #1 asked Computer #2 for Three
Computer #1 drew a card
Computer #2 asked Computer #1 for Queens
Computer #2 drew a card
Computer #3 asked Computer #4 for Eight
Computer #4 has 1 Eight card
Computer #4 asked Computer #2 for Jacks
Computer #4 drew a card
Human has 9 cards and 0 books
Computer #1 has 8 cards and 0 books
Computer #2 has 7 cards and 0 books
Computer #3 has 7 cards and 0 books
Computer #4 has 4 cards and 0 books
The stock has 17 cards

Your hand:
Ace of Clubs
Three of Hearts
Six of Diamonds
Six of Spades
Seven of Diamonds
Seven of Hearts
Seven of Spades
Ten of Hearts
Ten of Spades
What card value do you want to ask for?
Three
1. Computer #1
2. Computer #2
3. Computer #3
4. Computer #4
Who do you want to ask for a card? 1
Human asked Computer #1 for Threes
Computer #1 has 3 Three cards
Computer #1 asked Computer #3 for Eight
Computer #1 drew a card
Computer #2 asked Computer #3 for Twos
Computer #3 has 1 Two card
Computer #3 asked Human for Kings
Computer #3 drew a card
Computer #4 asked Computer #2 for Sixes
Computer #4 drew a card
Human has 8 cards and 1 book
Computer #1 has 6 cards and 0 books
Computer #2 has 8 cards and 0 books
Computer #3 has 7 cards and 0 books
Computer #4 has 5 cards and 0 books
The stock has 14 cards

Your hand:
Ace of Clubs
Six of Diamonds
Six of Spades
Seven of Diamonds
Seven of Hearts
Seven of Spades
Ten of Hearts
Ten of Spades
What card value do you want to ask for?
```

# Exercise Solution

```
using GoFish;

string? humanName = "";
while (String.IsNullOrWhiteSpace(humanName))
{
    Console.Write("Enter your name: ");
    humanName = Console.ReadLine();
}

Console.Write("Enter the number of computer opponents: ");
int opponentCount;
while (!int.TryParse(Console.ReadKey().KeyChar.ToString(), out opponentCount)
    || opponentCount < 1 || opponentCount > 4)
{
    Console.WriteLine("Please enter a number from 1 to 4");
}
Console.WriteLine($"{Environment.NewLine}Welcome to the game, {humanName}");


var gameController = new GameController(humanName,
            Enumerable.Range(1, opponentCount).Select(i => $"Computer #{i}"));
Console.WriteLine(gameController.Status);

while (!gameController.GameOver)
{
    while (!gameController.GameOver)
    {
        Console.WriteLine($"Your hand:");
        foreach (var card in gameController.HumanPlayer.Hand
            .OrderBy(card => card.Suit)
            .OrderBy(card => card.Value))
            Console.WriteLine(card);

        var value = PromptForAValue(gameController);

        var player = PromptForAnOpponent(gameController);

        gameController.NextRound(player, value);

        Console.WriteLine(gameController.Status);
    }

    Console.WriteLine("Press Q to quit, or any other key for a new game.");
    if (Console.ReadKey(true).KeyChar.ToString().ToUpper() == "N")
        gameController.NewGame();
}
```

This input loop makes sure the player enters a name.

This foreach loop uses LINQ to put the cards in suit and value order, then writes them to the console.

After the program gets the input from the player, it tells GameController to play the next round.

# Exercise Solution

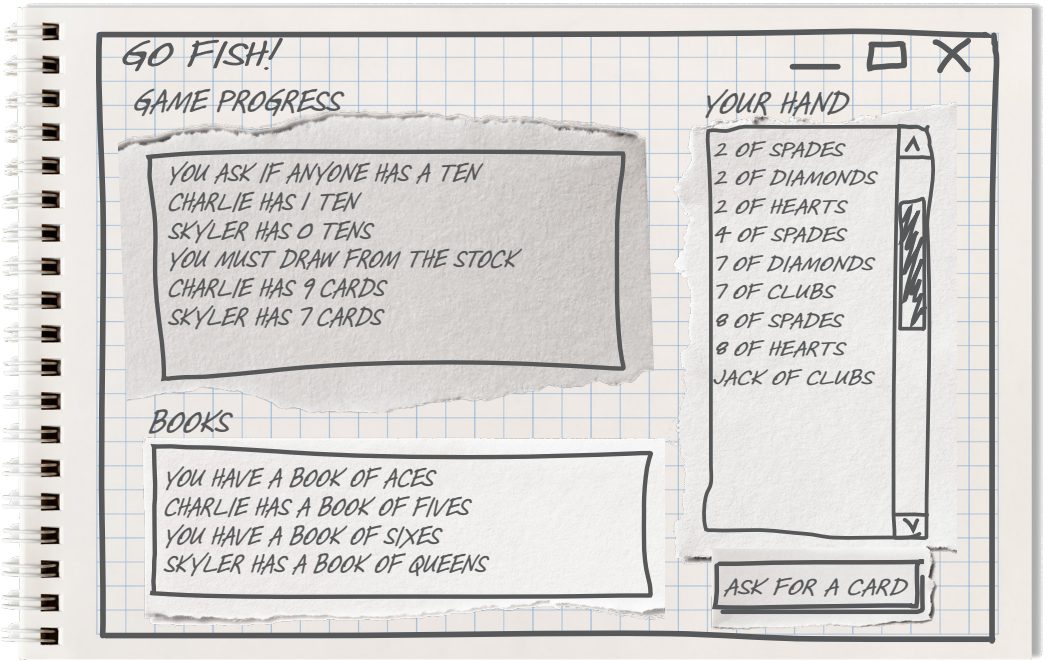
```
/// <summary>
/// Asks the player for a card value currently in their hand
/// </summary>
/// <param name="gameController">The game controller</param>
/// <returns>The value to ask for</returns>
Values PromptForAValue(GameController gameController)
{
    var handValues = gameController.HumanPlayer.Hand.Select(card => card.Value).ToList();
    Console.Write("What card value do you want to ask for? ");
    while (true)
    {
        if (Enum.TryParse(typeof(Values), Console.ReadLine(), out var value) &&
            handValues.Contains((Values)value))
            return (Values)value;
        else
            Console.WriteLine("Please enter a value in your hand.");
    }
}

/// <summary>
/// Asks the player to select an opponent to ask for a card
/// </summary>
/// <param name="gameController">The game controller</param>
/// <returns>The opponent to ask</returns>
Player PromptForAnOpponent(GameController gameController)
{
    var opponents = gameController.Opponents.ToList();
    for (int i = 1; i <= opponents.Count(); i++)
        Console.WriteLine($"{i}. {opponents[i - 1]}");
    Console.Write("Who do you want to ask for a card? ");
    while (true)
    {
        if (int.TryParse(Console.ReadLine(), out int selection)
            && selection >= 1 && selection <= opponents.Count())
            return opponents[selection - 1];
        else
            Console.Write($"Please enter a number from 1 to {opponents.Count()}: ");
    }
}
```

We used Enum.TryParse to try converting the user's input to a card value.

**Can you think ways to refactor it by extracting some of the behavior into separate classes that you can write unit tests for? Is it possible to move some of the main game loop into GameController (or its own class) and write unit tests for it?**

# Can you use the same classes to build a UI?

We put together a simple paper prototype for a UI. But we didn't finish it—it has a button to ask for a card, but it still needs a way for the player to choose which opponent to ask. So here's a **code challenge** for you! Can you use this project as a starting point to build a .NET MAUI or Blazor version of the *Go Fish!* game?




## Here's what you'll need to do...

- Create your own paper prototype, and figure out how you want to prompt the player for an opponent to ask.
- Add either a .NET MAUI or Blazor Web App project to your GoFish solution.
- Modify its project dependencies to add a dependency on the GoFish project so it can see GameController, Card, Deck, and the other classes and enums.
- Create the XAML window or HTML page that has an instance of GameController and bind the game progress to its Status property.
- Create event handlers to get the input and play the next round.
- When the game is over, prompt the user to reset GameController and start a new game.

**Did you come up with a creative and interesting solution to this code challenge? Claim your bragging rights—publish it to GitHub and share it on social media!**