

Title (en)

MULTIPLE-STAGE GAME OF CHANCE AND METHOD OF AND SYSTEM FOR PLAYING THE GAME

Title (de)

MEHRSTUFIGES GLÜCKSSPIEL SOWIE VERFAHREN UND VORRICHTUNG ZUM SPIELEN DESSELBEN

Title (fr)

JEU DE HASARD A PLUSIEURS TIRAGES, PROCEDE ET SYSTEME POUR JOUER A CE JEU

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Abstract (en)

[origin: WO02068071A2] A game of chance for a plurality of game participants that is played in a plurality of drawing stages and a method and system for playing the game are disclosed. Game participants self-select or have selected automatically for them a plurality of playing numbers from a population of numbers that are arranged on a game ticket (100) in a number of columns and/or rows, which are grouped in a plurality of discrete blocks (200, 300). A selection device randomly selects a plurality of winning numbers from the same population in two or more stages. Game participants can win a prize during or at the completion of each drawing stage if all of their playing numbers in designated rows and/or columns match the winning numbers selected in that drawing stage. Thus, game participants can win some prize for matching fewer than all of the winning numbers selected. Moreover, a plurality of winning combinations is possible on each game ticket, producing a plurality of ways to win on a single ticket (100). The game is played online to facilitate determining the number of winning game tickets and the number of winning combinations per winning game ticket; determining the prize payout amount; and authenticating winning game tickets.

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