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Family Game Night: A Winning Idea

(NAPSA)—Bringing your whole family together doesn't have to be hard work—in fact, it can be all fun and games. A regular family game night is a great way to have a good time with loved ones—and planning game night can be easy. Try these tips from the experts:

• Pick A Fun Time—Pick one night each week to have your game night and stick to it. That can show children you consider the night—and their company—important. Also, establish a "rule of fun." Set no arguing rules and be sure the emphasis is on having fun, rather than winning or losing. You may want to give away a "Good Sport" award at the end of each game night.

• Share The Fun—Let a different member of your family pick a game each week. That can help keep children from losing interest in the activity and show them you value their opinions.

• Get A Fun Game—A key to family game night success is to choose a game that everyone can enjoy. Mario Party-e, for example, is an inexpensive way to add both card game and video game excitement to your family game nights. It challenges players to collect cards, snag other players' cards, play mini-games and more to become the "Mario Party Superstar." Players can add electronic fun to the game by swiping select cards through an e-Reader connected to a Nintendo Game Boy



Family Fun—Game night can be an entertaining way for families to spend more time together.

Advance to play fast and fun mini video game challenges. Because Mario Party-e is both a card game with an electronic game, it can be a good way to bring kids who like video games together with other family members who may be less digitally inclined—the game offers something for all generations

• Serve Fun Foods—Be sure to serve plenty of healthy and fun snacks at game night. Try giving your dishes themed names, such as "Champion Cheese and Crackers," or "Victory Veggies And Dip." Also, decorating the room you play in with streamers and balloons or score cards from past game nights can help establish a festive mood and may encourage family members to participate.

For more information about Mario Party-e, visit www. nintendo-e-reader.com.