

# INTRODUCING...



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# TEACHING COPYRIGHT, LICENSING AND SCHOLARLY COMMS

**Complexity,  
frustration and  
confusion**

**Terminology  
and processes**

**Didactic vs  
experiential**

**Scenarios and  
real life  
problems**

**Value of active  
learning and  
games-based  
learning**

# LESSONS FROM COPYRIGHT THE CARD GAME



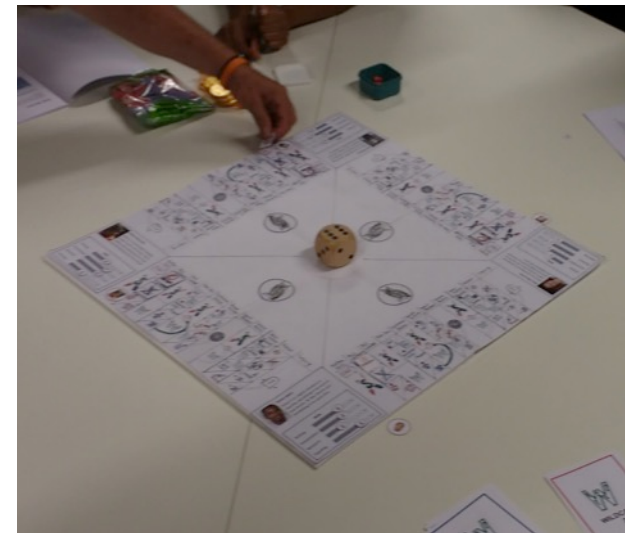
[The Hand, Frank R. Wilson](#)



- **Embodied cognition – knowledge in your hand and head**
- **The value of playing in teams and discussion**
- **Scenarios**
- **Avoiding binaries – right vs wrong**



# THE PUBLISHING TRAP: THE CREATIVE PROCESS



# DEVELOPING THE GAME

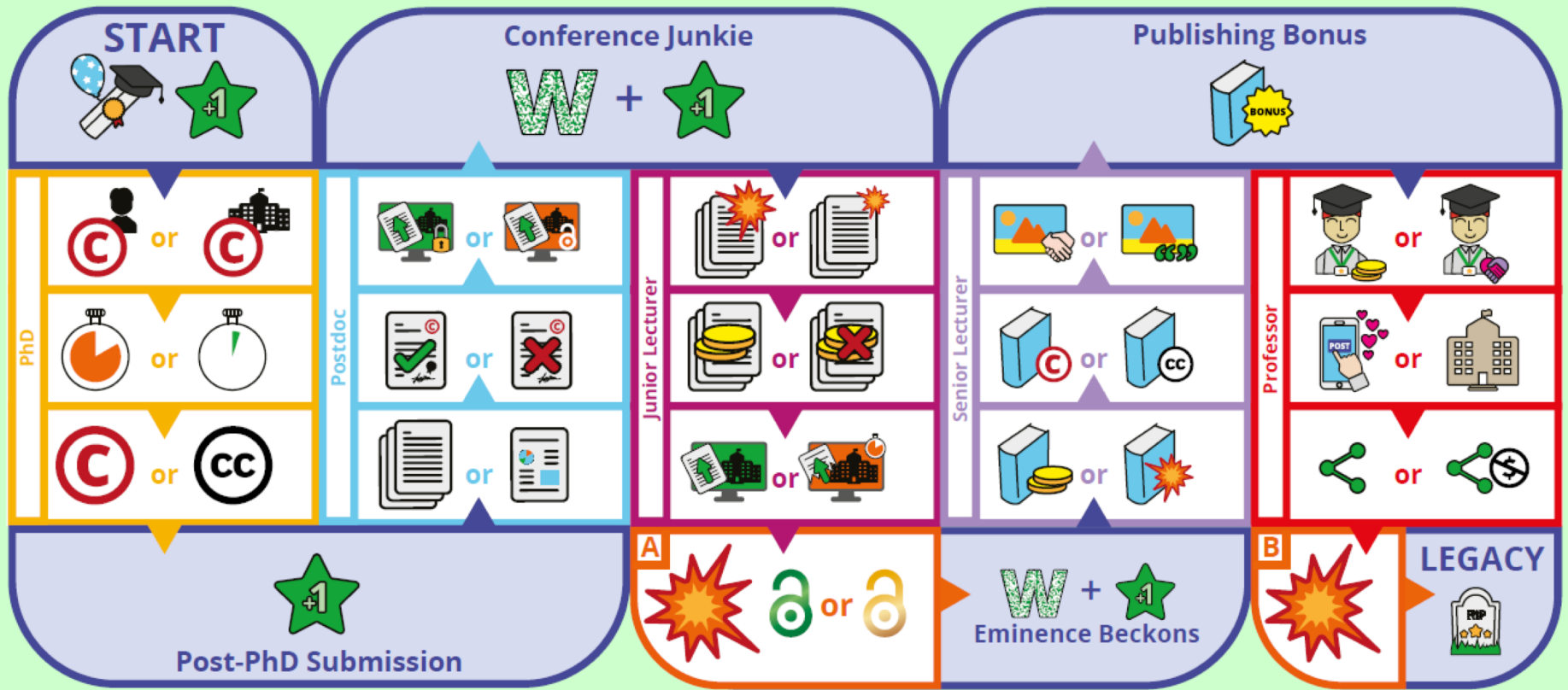




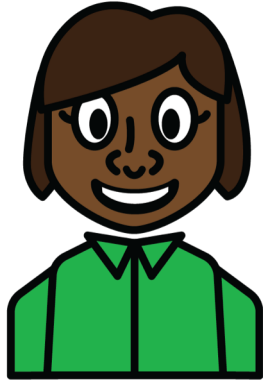
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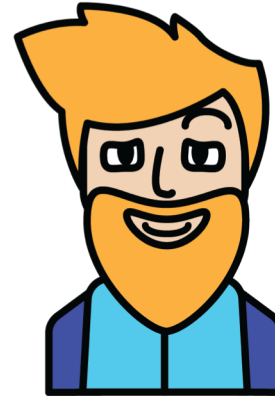
# THE ACADEMIC GAME OF LIFE



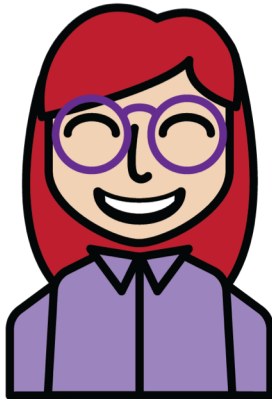
# MEET THE CHARACTERS



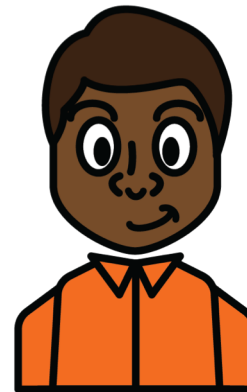
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Brian the microbiologist



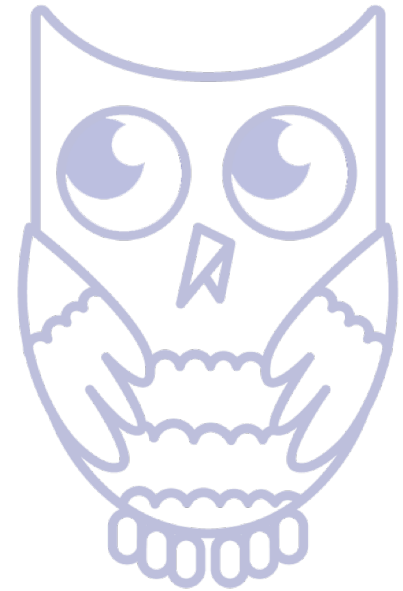
Mary the space scientist



Simon the Jane Austen expert



# THE CURRENCY OF THE GAME



# IMPACT TO DATE



- **Downloads and hits on website:**
  - over 2,500 hits on website and 175 downloads
- **Who has played it**
  - mainly librarians rather than intended audience (researchers)
- **Worldwide interest**
  - UK, USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand
  - Europe including France, Germany, Sweden, Czech Republic, Norway, Spain, Denmark
  - Elsewhere: Japan, Singapore, Saudi Arabia and many more!

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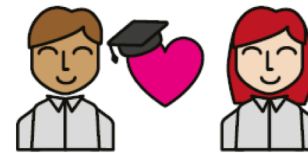
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# FEEDBACK



You are having a mid-life crisis but have come into a small sum of money.  
**Roll the die to see what you decide to do with the windfall.**

- ROLL 1-4** You decide to use the money to make your research open access. Claim **1 knowledge token** and **2 impact tokens**
- ROLL 5** Decide to go on a Caribbean cruise. Lose **1 impact token**
- ROLL 6** Decide to buy a motorbike. Gain extra credibility among your students. Your teaching scores improve significantly! Lose **1 impact token**



You are accused of having an affair with your PhD student. Your Head of Department demands you explain.  
**Roll the die to see what happens.**

- ROLL 1-3** Your reputation is salvaged as you explain you made a breakthrough in the field and you have managed to get a jointly authored article together. Gain **1 knowledge token** and **1 impact token**
- ROLL 4-6** You are reprimanded and lose your position as Chair of the Research Committee. Lose **1 money token**

# THE PUBLISHING TRAP AND OTHER TRAINING

**Linking in with  
institutional  
policies and  
procedures**

**Putting  
copyright  
concerns in  
wider context**

**Complements  
wider scholarly  
comms and open  
access support**

# FUTURE PLANS

**New Zealand  
and Australian  
version**

**German  
translation**

**Updating  
game  
mechanics**

**Potential  
redesign of the  
board**

**Building 3D  
model**



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