

PART 1 · WHITE ELEPHANT

Game 1: Classic Steal

Best for 8 to 40 adults or teens. Takes about 45 minutes. Everyone brings one wrapped gift within the agreed budget.

Before you start

- Set a budget (we suggest $10, $20 or $25) and tell guests in the invitation.
- Gifts go in a pile or under the tree, wrapped, with no names on them.
- Cut out the number cards (pages 7-8). Each guest draws one number from a bowl.

How to play

1. **Player #1 goes first** and opens any wrapped gift. Everyone sees what it is.
2. **Player #2 chooses:** steal player #1's gift, or open a new one from the pile.
3. **If a gift is stolen,** the person who lost it chooses again: steal a different gift or open a new one.
4. **No steal-backs in a row.** You cannot take back the gift that was just taken from you on the same turn.
5. **Three-steal lock:** a gift can be stolen twice. After its third owner takes it, it is locked and safe.
6. **The last player** may steal any unlocked gift. Then the game ends, and player #1 may optionally swap with anyone (the "final swap").

Host tip

Read the rules out loud before anyone opens a gift. Write the "3 steals and it is locked" rule on a sheet where everyone can see it, and use the Steal Tracker (page 10) so nobody argues about whose turn it is.

Cut & draw

Number Cards 1–15

Fold each card, put them in a bowl and let every guest draw one. Only print as many as you have guests.

1 YOUR TURN NUMBER	**2** YOUR TURN NUMBER	**3** YOUR TURN NUMBER
4 YOUR TURN NUMBER	**5** YOUR TURN NUMBER	**6** YOUR TURN NUMBER
7 YOUR TURN NUMBER	**8** YOUR TURN NUMBER	**9** YOUR TURN NUMBER
10 YOUR TURN NUMBER	**11** YOUR TURN NUMBER	**12** YOUR TURN NUMBER
13 YOUR TURN NUMBER	**14** YOUR TURN NUMBER	**15** YOUR TURN NUMBER

Fill in & share

Secret Santa Questionnaire (Adults)

Answer honestly so your Secret Santa can shop with confidence. Hand it to the organizer, who passes it along.

My name: _____ Gift budget: $_____

My favorite snacks, treats or drinks

My favorite hobbies or things I do for fun

My favorite colors, scents or styles

Stores or places I love

Something I have been wanting for a while

Something I would never want (allergies, dislikes)

My shirt, glove or slipper size (if clothing is okay)

One thing that would make me smile

Tip: the more detail, the better the gift. You can keep your answers short, a few words are enough.