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Take turns reading the following cards out loud.

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You and your housemates have had a couch for several years now and there is talk about replacing it.

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You've all talked about it a few times over the last several weeks, but never as a whole group.

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Finally, one of the housemates has decided that it's time for a group discussion to make a decision.

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You sit on the couch waiting for everyone to gather when you become trapped in nostalgia, your mind is flooded with memories tied to this old couch...

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Take a few moments to imagine together a couch. Share ideas on design, color, and what features it might have in order to create a couch that everyone is satisfied with.

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Set aside the card that reads "It's time to make a decision. Do you keep the couch or get rid of it?"

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Shuffle the prompt cards and place them facedown in the center of the table.

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Insert the "Do you keep the couch or get rid of it?" card near the middle of the deck for a shorter game, or near the bottom of it for a longer game.

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Finish reading the instruction cards, and then continue in a clockwise fashion with the prompt cards. Read the card aloud and then answer the question however you prefer.

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Other players may ask you questions or make suggestions. It is your choice whether or not you answer the questions or include their suggestions.

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Place the X-Card on the table where all players can reach it.

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If you encounter a card, question, or answer, that you do not want included in the game, that content can be removed using the “X” symbol or card.

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If you draw a card that is removed through the use of the X-Card, draw another card. You can choose to “X” a card that you drew yourself.

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You may also choose to pass your turn by giving the card you drew to the next player and asking them to answer it instead.

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Prompt cards may be passed around the table until someone uses an X-Card on it.

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Continue answering, passing, and or X-ing prompts until the “Do you keep the couch or get rid of it?” card is drawn.

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Each player should then decide if they want to keep the couch, or replace it.

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Whoever wants to can draw the first prompt card.

How did this couch become part of the house? How long has it been here?

Was the couch new or old when you got it? If it was old, what do you know of it's past?

Does the couch have any features like a fold out bed or reclining backs?

What room is the couch in? What else is in the room?

Are there any pets in the house and are they allowed on the couch?

Why are you and the other housemates thinking of getting rid of the couch?

What is your favorite spot on the couch and why?

Have you ever fallen asleep on the couch? Did you sleep well, or have trouble sleeping?

Who in the house had a major argument while you were sitting on the couch?. What was the argument about? You once sat on the couch talking to someone during a party. Who were they? How do you see them differently?

Who in the house would you sit on the couch and do something creative with. What would you do?

What did you like to do when you were alone on the couch?

What major world event was announced while you were sitting on the couch. How did you react to the news?

You fell asleep on the couch once waiting for a housemate to get home. Who was it? Why were you waiting for them?

You left something on the couch that embarrassed a housemate in front of their parents. What was it?

You were sitting on the couch when your housemates staged an intervention. What habit or addiction were they concerned about?

What activity would you and your housemates gather around the couch for once a month?

You came home one night and someone special to you was waiting on the couch. Who were they?

Which housemate do you usually find on the couch? What are they normally doing?

What major celebration did you and your housemates gather around the couch for? What made it memorable?

You were getting up from the couch when you got hurt. What was the injury and how did it happen?

Part of the couch was broken once. What part? How did it happen? What had to be done to fix it?

You were sitting on the couch when the other housemates surprised you for your birthday. What was the surprise?

What kind of festival would you use the couch to get ready for? Did any of the other housemates go with you?

Your parents were visiting when some of your housemates came home. How did the meeting between your parents and housemates go?

The police once came to the house and knocked on your door. Why were they there?

You once held a sleepover around the couch. What do you remember from that night?

You fell asleep on the couch just before going on a trip. Where were you going? Why did you fall asleep?

You come home late one night and pass out on the couch. Who in the house woke you up? Were they kind about it?

The housemate you're closest to announced they were moving out. Why are they leaving? How did you react?

What life-changing revelation did you have while sitting on the couch? Did you act on it?

What is your favorite pillow to have while sitting on the couch? Why is it important?

Who in the house is an avid gamer? What kind of games do they play? Do you join them in playing?

What was the scariest movie you sat on the couch and watched? Who watched it with you?

You spent a night on the couch because you couldn't sleep. Who in the house stayed up with you?

What do you like most about this couch?

What do you like least about this couch?

You objected to taking on one of your housemates. Why didn't you want them to join the house?

You found out that one of the housemates objected to you joining the house. Why didn't they want you?

Who in the house did you become much closer to? In what way did you become closer? Are you still close?

Who in the house have you grown apart from? How does sitting on the couch together feel?

Who in the house found you curled up on the couch crying. How did they comfort you?

Who in the house did you find on the couch when they were clearly upset. Why were they upset?

You were sitting on the couch when you received the best news ever. What was it?

You were sitting on the couch when you received the worst news ever. What was it?

It's time to make a decision. Do you keep the couch or get rid of it?