



HEARTHSTONE INTRODUCTION GUIDE AND CHECKLIST

Thank you for coming tonight to our casual social gathering for all Hearthstone players, new or experienced, in the Kitchener-Waterloo-Cambridge-Guelph area. Blizzard calls their Hearthstone game “Deceptively Simple. Insanely Fun.” and we hope you will agree. After you have established WiFi connectivity with your Hearthstone-compatible device (PC, Mac, phone, or tablet), follow the checklist below to try Hearthstone free for yourself. There is the option of spending real money to speed up acquiring of expansion content and card packs, but by doing the fun daily quests and a little patience, anyone can obtain all the game content for absolutely no cost.

Step 1: setup free account (5 minutes), no credit card needed

- open <http://www.battle.net>
- create free Battle.Net account, requires an email account which will be your userid to login
- choose a BattleTag which is your player name displayed in games (can only be changed once so choose something you will be happy with)
- click the verification link sent to your email account
- your full BattleTag will have a unique number added to it (eg. KWfireside#1709), the number next to your BattleTag is called a BattleTag Code, your full BattleTag is used on Battle.net friends lists

Step 2: install software (10-20 minutes depending on bandwidth)

- sign in to Battle.Net website, download and install Battle.Net application (60 MB for Windows)
- sign in to Battle.Net application, download Hearthstone (800 MB for Windows)

Step 4: gameplay introduction (20 minutes), go through the tutorials (play against 6 computer foes)

Step 5: play first few games (60 minutes)

- win 5 practice games against the computer Innkeeper to obtain your first card pack and open it (note: if you hover over a card it may glow blue, pink, or orange hinting that it is a powerful card)
- open decks as you win them, adjust your Mage deck as necessary
- defeat all hero classes to unlock them and get 100 bonus gold (and purchase another card pack)

Step 6: do some daily quests (new one appears each day you login) and play games in Casual mode to level up your heroes, get new basic cards, and earn gold. You will want to play all the heroes to become familiar with them to better understand your opponent tactics even if you prefer playing with a specific hero or two.

Step 7: spend gold on new card packs or arena mode (awards card pack plus extra goodies)

Step 8: play some games in Ranked mode (each month you reach Rank 20 there is a new cardback reward)

Step 9: once your decks and skill are better, do all 9 heroes against computer in expert mode for bonus gold

Step 10: work through Naxxramas, Blackrock Mountain, and League of Explorers solo adventure expansions

Remember to come to our next event to earn the Fireside Gathering cardback and continue the fun!