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Are you a Smart Ass? ~ Review

When I was offered **Smart Ass** to review I knew it'd be perfect for hubby. He's competitive and likes to think he knows it all. Unlike the majority of board games you don't have to wait your turn if you know (or think you know) the answer. Shouting out and interrupting is positively encouraged!

Here's his review of Smart Ass from **University Games**:

This is a review of the board game Smart Ass, or, as my wife got increasingly frustrated with my mispronunciation of the game as Smart Arse!

After opening the box, the first thing that pleased me was the volume of question cards.... too often nowadays you pay a good chunk of money and find a poor quantity of game cards which mean you are duplicating questions and cards within the first couple of games. That will not be the case with Smart Ass.



The aim of the game is to identify the Place, person or item being described on the card through a number of clues. The box says from 2 to 8 players. My first game was with just my wife and I..... and that is probably the only down point I found with the game. As a two player option, many of the good points of the game are lost. In reality this is a game for 3 to 8 players in my view, and the more the better.

Why do I say that?

Because the basic premise of the game is to shout out the answer before any other team.... thereby tempting you to shout out following an early clue (largely tougher clues), and before the answer becomes more obvious a few clues later. If you guess wrong early, the other teams can still guess and win the round. With only two players, the other player is reading the clues and has the answer in front of them, therefore you are competing against nobody and can just sit back and wait for the obvious clues.

As a result our game lasted about 20 minutes, beginning to end. I enjoyed it, but with 5 or 6 teams, at Christmas, when everyone is happy and loud anyway, I can quite imagine it being a game that everyone is talking about months later.

So in summary, I would highly recommend this for groups of adults to play during daily and friend get togethers, but as a 2 player game, it falls quite short in terms of playability.

I can't wait til Christmas now..... and if I'm being honest, knowing how slow my dads speed of thought is nowadays, at least I can rest assured I won't come last!!

All in all a great board game for families and groups. If you're looking for something to play at Christmas get togethers this should be the one!

**We were not paid for this review. We were sent Smart Ass to play & review. All opinion is honest and based upon our own experiences with the product.*