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WILDCATTERS

De spelers reizen terug in de tijd en belanden in de meest boeiende en roerige periode van de 19e eeuw, waar zij de rollen aannemen van oliepioniers en slimme investeerders. Deze pioniers legden de basis voor de grote oliemaatschappijen die tot op de dag van vandaag de wereldmarkt bepalen. In 1870 startte John D. Rockefeller de Standard Oil Company en verwierf in 30 jaar tijd een monopoly op olietransport en raffinage. Kolonel Charles Felton kocht in 1876 de Pacific Coast Oil Company op en ontwikkelde enorme olievelden in Californië. August Kessler richtte in 1890 de Royal Dutch Petroleum Company op en vond grote olierijke gebieden in Nederlands Indië. William Knox D'arcy kocht concessies (de rechten op oliewinning) in Perzië en na enorme olievondsten in 1908 startte hij de Anglo Persian Oil Company. Wil je een échte oliebaron zijn, dan ben je net even slimmer dan de rest. Je ontwikkelt olievelden, koopt concessies van Wildcatters en voorziet in je eigen transport. Zoek je partners en ken je tegenstanders in dit uitdagende meerderhedenspel, waarbij logistiek een grote rol speelt!

The players travel back in time and find themselves in the most interesting and turbulent period of the 19th century, in which they play the parts of oil pioneers and smart investors. These pioneers have laid the foundation of the great oil companies who still dominate the world market we know today. In the year 1870 John D. Rockefeller founded the Standard Oil Company and in 30 years' time he attained a monopoly position in the fields of vast oil transport and refinement. In 1876 Colonel Charles Felton bought the Pacific Coast Oil Company and developed oil fields in California. In 1890 August Kessler founded the Royal Dutch Petroleum Company and in the Dutch East Indies he discovered large tracts of land which were rich in oil. William Knox D'arcy bought concessions (the right to extract oil) in Persia and after making huge oil discoveries in 1908 he started the Anglo-Persian Oil Company. Should you want to be a true oil tycoon, then you will have to be just a tad smarter than the rest. You will develop oil fields, buy concessions from Wildcatters and provide your own transport. Find partners and know your enemies in this tactical game of majorities, in which logistics play an enormous role!

Die Spieler reisen in der Zeit zurück und landen in der aufregendsten und turbulenten Zeit des 19. Jahrhunderts, wo sie die Rolle von Öl Pionieren und klugen Geldgebern annehmen. Diese Pioniere legten die Grundlage für den großen Ölgesellschaften, die die Welt bis heutzutage kontrollieren. Im Jahre 1870 begann John D. Rockefeller den Standard Oil Company und erwarb in 30 Jahren ein Monopol auf die Öl-Transport und Verarbeitung. Oberst Charles Felton kaufte im Jahre 1876 die Pacific Coast Oil Company und entwickelte riesige Ölfelder in Kalifornien. August Kessler gründete im Jahre 1890 den Royal Dutch Petroleum Company und fand große ölreiche Gebiete in Niederländisch-Ostindien. William Knox D'Arcy kaufte Konzessionen (die Rechte Öl zu gewinnen) in Persien und nach riesigen Öl-Entdeckungen im Jahre 1908 gründete er den Anglo-Persian Oil Company. Wollen Sie ein echter Öl-Baron sein, dann müssen Sie nur ein wenig schlauer als der Rest sein. Sie entwickeln Ölfelder, kaufen Zugeständnisse von Wildcatter und Sie regeln Ihren eigenen Transport. Suche Ihren Partner und kenne Ihre Gegner in diesem taktischen Mehrheitenspiel, wo Logistik eine große Rolle spielt!

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Goal of the Game

Before you lies a game about adventurers who are trying to find fame and fortune in the oil industry. The players drill for oil in new areas and use the other players and their drills to quicken this process. In this tactical game, your goal is to gather the highest amount of shares and Wildcatters and to supply more oil than any other player.

Gaming Material

Contents: 1 Game board Place the Victory points from shares The turn counter shares from the bank here shows the playtime Get a loan from the bank -Interim score Perform your actions in an oil area These are the harbors Find oil in the oil fields Build your trains here Score tracker Victory points table **Refinery** fields Victory points from money Victory points from continents Place the money Oil from full refineries is placed here bills here 48 Area cards 4 Wooden cube 4 Summary cards 100 Money bills 4x100 shares 12 Extra share chips 16 Wildcatter chips 4 Player sequence chips 1 SHARE 1 Black cube 4x36 Oil barrels Per player in their own color: 4 Oil tankers 10 Drilling rigs 11 Pumpjacks 8 Trains **5** Refineries



Preparations

- 1 Put all the shares (arranged by color) and the money on the designated areas on the game board.
- 2 Shuffle the 48 area cards and divide them into two separate stacks, divided by the color on the back of the cards (*light or dark*), and put them next to the game board.

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- 3 Put the black cube on spot '1' on the turn counter.
- 4 Each player picks a color and receives all playing pieces of the chosen color,
 20 shares of the chosen color and 10 money bills. Each player places the cube of their color on the score tracker every player starts with 5 points.



Additional rules for 3 players.

- 1 Each player receives 5 extra money bills.
- 2 Place a refinery of the color that is not being played in Australia.
- 3 Take the top 4 area cards of the light-colored stack and place a drilling rig of the color that is not being played in each of these areas. Discard those area cards.





Starting positions

- 1 Determine the starting player. This player will remain the starting player up to and including turn 6.
- 2 All players take the following from their inventory: 3 drilling rig, 2 trains, 1 oil tanker en 1 refinery.
- These pieces can be placed on the game board in the following way;
- 2.1 Each player receives 8 light-colored area cards and can see them.
- 2.2 Begin with the active player and take turns to place a refinery on 1 of the 4 colored continents. When placing the first refineries, no continent may contain more than one refinery.
- 2.3 The active player chooses 1 of the received area cards and places any one of his game pieces in the designated area. Going clockwise, all other players pick a card and place one of their pieces in the designated area. This process is repeated until all pieces have been placed.
- 3 All 32 area cards with light backs are then shuffled. Place this stack face down on the stack of the 16 dark-backed area cards.
- 4 Put a Wildcatter chip on each oil field.
- 5 Put a second Wildcatter chip on each oil field that contains 0 or 1 drilling rigs. Any remaining chips are put back in the box.
- 6 Reveal the top 8 area cards and put them next to the game board.



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Game sequence

Each turn every player, beginning with the active player, executes the following moves:

- A Choose an area card.
- **B** Receive shares, money and victory points.
- C Take 10 money bills.
- **D** Execute building actions.
- E Execute oil actions.
- F Move unused tankers.
- **G** Empty full refineries (5 barrels).
- H Refill area cards up to 8.

The game is played in 7 rounds (or 8 if played with 3 players).

All but the final round have a fixed turn order. At the end of the prefinal round all players count the oil drops (victory points) on all their chosen area cards. By doing so, the turn order for the final round is determined. The player with the highest amount of points chooses his position first. The player with the second most points chooses after that player, etcetra.

If two or more players are tied, the player who has no loan can choose first. If neither player has a loan or both, the player with the highest number of shares in his own color can choose first. Should the players still be tied, the player who went first in the prefinal round goes first.

A Choosing an area card

The active player chooses 1 of the 8 area cards and puts it in front of him. The player can only make his moves in this specific area.

Exception of the white continents:

There are no area cards for the 3 white continents. Each turn, the active player may build trains or refineries in 1 white area.

A player may choose to turn in 4 victory points to replace all 8 of the area cards with 8 new area cards.

- > Go back 4 victory points on the score tracker.
- > Put the 8 currently displayed area cards aside.
- > Reveal 8 new area cards.

Icons

• = Victory points

(\$) = Money bills

 $\textcircled{\bullet}$ = Shares

Game sequence

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- B receive shares, money, victory points C take (\$) 10
- D execute building actions execute oil actions
- F move unused tankers
- empty full refineries (5 barrels)
- H grefill area cards up to 8



Only execute actions D + E in the chosen area.





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B Receiving shares, money and victory points

Besides a specific area, area cards also feature specific icons:

- **B.1** Take the money and shares from the corresponding color, as shown on the chosen area card.
- **B.2** Oil drops. These are victory points you will receive immediately. These victory points are also counted after the prefinal round to determine the turn order in the final round.
- **B.3** A card with a refinery gives you the right to empty 1 refinery (including those owned by opponents). This can be done during your own turn (for example in order to prevent having to take out a loan) or at the end of the game.
 - > You cannot supply any oil to refineries that have been emptied in the same turn.
 - > This card used to empty a refinery is then removed from the game.

C Take 10 money bills

Receive 10 money bills from the bank.

D Building actions

The cost of building and oil actions can be found on the summary card. The cost is the number of money bills a player has to pay to the bank. Should you wish to pay with shares, you will have to

pay 3 shares (*in any color*), for each money bill.

D.1 Drilling rig

The following goes for each area: An area can only contain a maximum of 7 drilling rigs and/or Wildcatters.

Players can only build 4 drilling rigs and/or pumpjacks of the same color in the one area.

- Building costs of 4th drilling rig
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- If the Wildcatter position is free, a drilling rig can be built there (see E 1.2).



Clarification:

Choose 1 of the 8 area cards next to the game board. The area card tells you in which area you can make your moves this turn. It also shows the amount of stocks, victory points and money bills this area provides and whether you can build a refinery. You will receive the shares, money and victory points immediately.



You can use a refinery whenever you want (during your own turn) or at the end of the game. The victory points will be used to determine the order in which players can make their moves in the final round.



Each represents 1 money bill; if you want to pay with shares, pay 3.



> Max 4 drilling rigs per player per area.



Example: The 4th red drilling rig is built, pay (\$) 6

D.2 Refinery

You can build a maximum of 1 refinery per turn in the area you picked or on a white continent.

Building costs of a refinery (\$12)
 Immediately receive the following amount of victory points after building a refinery:

-		0	
>	1 st refinery		60
>	2 nd refinery		0
>	3 rd refinery		6
>	4 th refinery		68
>	5 th refinery		10

D.3 Transport

> Building costs of a train	\$ 2
> Building costs of a tanker	\$ 2

Each area on the game board designates the maximum amount of specific gaming pieces that can be placed there. The tankers are the only exception: players are free to place an unlimited number of tankers in each harbor.

E The 3 Oil Actions

E.1	Drilling for a new oil field	\$ 8
	(Only in areas where there are at least 4 drilling r	rigs.)
E.1.2	The Wildcatter	
E.2	Exchange drilling rig for pumpjack	③ 3
	(Only in areas where there is already	
	at least 1 pumpjack.)	
E.3	Transporting	\$ 4
	(All pumpjacks can transport 1 oil)	

E.1 Drilling for a new oil field: (\$) 8

A minimum of 4 drilling rigs in the area is required. (These drilling rigs can belong to multiple players) This action can only be performed once per area.

As soon as the active player has paid the required amount of money, the following actions must be performed:

- Replace 1 of the active player's own drilling rigs in that area with a pumpjack.
- Place 3 oil barrels of the player's color on the pumpjack.
- All other players can now profit from this action by paying the active player 3 shares in their own color, exchange one of their drilling rigs in the same area for a pumpjack and place 3 oil barrels on it.
- No player can exchange more than 1 drilling rig during this action.





Clarification:

When there are 4 drilling rigs (including those belonging to other players) in an area, the oil field can be developed by paying 8 money bills. The active player can now replace 1 drilling rig with a pumpjack and place 3 oil barrels next to it. Because the drilling rigs of the other players helped develop the search for oil, all other players with a drilling rig in the area may pay the active player 3 of their own shares to replace 1 of their drilling rigs with a pumpjack and place 3 barrels next to it.

Example:

The red player pays 8 money bills en replaces 1 of his own drilling rigs with a pumpjack and places 3 oil barrels



next to it. The green player pays 3 green shares and replaces 1 drilling rig with 1 pump jack and places 3 oil barrels next to it. The yellow player decides not to replace his own drilling rig

E.1.2 The Wildcatter

All oilfields contain 1 or 2 Wildcatters. These Wildcatters are independently looking for oil. As soon as the active player drills for oil in that area, the Wildcatter is put on auction.

The Wildcatter chip is worth 1 oil barrel and at the end of the game victory points (See Final Score).

The auction:

The Wildcatter chips will now be auctioned off, 1 at a time, to the highest bidding player with a pumpjack in that area.

- The active player may make the opening bid of at least 4 shares in his own color which he places on the table or he may pass. Following the order of play, all other players with pumpjacks in the same area as the Wildcatter may now try to exceed this bid, using shares of their own color, or pass. Each bid is placed openly on the table. Once a player has passed, he can no longer make any bids.
- The player who paid the most to the bank can now place one of his own oil barrels on the Wildcatter chip.
- Repeat the process with any remaining Wildcatter chips.
- Should all players pass on bidding, the Wildcatter chip is removed.

E.2 Exchanging a drilling rig for a pumpjack: (§) 3

Only in areas that already contain a pumpjack can the active player replace one or more drilling rigs for pump jacks.

Place 3 oil barrels of the player's color next to each new pumpjack.





Example:

The red player is the active player and bids 4 red shares and places these on the table. The green player bids 5 green shares and places these on the table. The red player passes so the green player pays five green shares to the bank and places a green oil barrel on the Wildcatter chip.

Clarification:

Oil fields which have struck oil can be developed without having to be drilled any further. Drilling rigs, existing or new, can now be replaced by pumpjacks.



Example:

The yellow player replaces 2 drilling rigs with 2 pump jacks and places 3 oil barrels next to each one. The yellow player pays the bank 6 money bills.

E.3 Transporting oil: (\$) 4

This action can only happen once per area card

- Pumpjacks can only transport oil if there's at least
 1 oil barrel on it.
- Transporting goes for all pumpjacks of the current player in that area.
- > Other players may choose to have all their pumpjacks in that specific area transport 1 oil.
- Oil on Wildcatter chips is always transported with the 1st transport action of that player.
- The player takes the chip and receives the following amount of victory points at the end of the game:
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- Per transportation move (oil tanker or train), the owner of the oil barrel pays 1 share of his own color to the player who owns the oil tanker or train.
- > The transportation always goes from pumpjack to refinery. Perform actions in the following order:

1 Oil transport to the harbor

- All pumpjacks belonging to the players that chose to transport oil in the chosen area transport one oil barrel per pumpjack to a harbor.
- Players can determine which train they will use to ship their oil.
- 2 Oil transport to tankers and refineries
- Beginning with the starting player, each player places his oil barrels on:
 - the refinery in the same area; or
 - a refinery in a different area (by means of the railway system); or
 - 🖝 the tanker in the same area; or
 - a tanker in a different area (by means of the railway system).
- > Only if no refinery can be reached will the oil remain in the harbor.
- Players themselves can choose which train they will use to transport their oil.

Clarification:

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With the transportation action all pumpjacks in the same area pump up 1 barrel of oil. All other players in the area can choose to have their pumpjacks transport 1 barrel of oil as well. All barrels will be transported (in the player order) to the harbor by train. From here on, the barrels go to a refinery in that area or to a different continent by train



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or oil tanker. If you cannot deliver the oil to a refinery, the oil barrel remains in the harbor until a player starts to transport again. In order to transport by train or tankers you will have to pay the owner of the transportation piece 1 share in your own color.

Example:

Red pays 4 money bills and transports 3 oil to the harbor with the red train. Green also decides to transport and ^(*)2 transports 1 oil from the pumpjack and the Wildcatter. He pays 2 green shares to the red player and takes the Wildcatter chip.



Example: Red delivers 3 barrels to the yellow refinery in Asia and receives 6 yellow shares. Green loads his barrels on the yellow boat and pays the yellow player 2 green shares.



3 Oil transport from the tankers and to the refinery.

For transporting oil with tankers the following rules apply:

- > The owner of the tanker determines the destination of the tanker if he is transporting oil by means of this tanker himself.
- If the tanker does not contain any oil belonging to its owner, the player who had oil on it first will determine the destination as long as he has oil on it.
- > Each tanker can transport a maximum of 3 oil.
- > All oil on a tanker will be delivered to 1 refinery.
- > Oil will be delivered to a refinery using the player order.
- Only in case the refinery is full can the remaining oil be transported to a different destination.
- If all refineries are full, the tanker will go back to the harbor where he loaded the oil. Remove any remaining oil from the tanker and put it back in the harbor. The oil will be picked up again when another player starts a transportation action in this area.
- > A tanker that has been used for oil transport can no longer be moved this turn.
- For each barrel of oil that is delivered to the refinery, the owner of the refinery pays 2 shares in his own color to the owner of the oil.
- > When playing with 3 players, oil delivered to the refinery in Australia is worth 2 shares, paid by the bank.

F Move unused tankers (optional)

- The 1st one is free, moving others cost 1 money bill per tanker.
- All oil tankers on the entire game board can be moved.

End of the player turn.



Example:

Blue has a barrel on his own tanker and transports it to Australia where blue and yellow will deliver the oil to the refinery. Green determines where his tanker goes and also delivers to Australia. Yellow is the only one left and can decide his own destination.

He goes to Africa.

Clarification:

When a delivery is made to one of your refineries, you have to pay 2 shares of your own color per barrel to the owner of the oil barrel. As you can see, it is important to maintain a good amount of your own shares.



G Emptying full refineries

As soon as 5 oil barrels are stored in a refinery, these oil barrels will be automatically supplied to the continent at the end of the turn (See: Payments).

- > A refinery can store a maximum of 5 barrels.
- > Oil will always be given to the continent on which the refinery is based.
- Oil supplied this way will be put on the small depictions of the continents at the bottom of the game board.

Delivering the oil to a continent

- For each oil barrel of another color, the owner of a full refinery receives 4 shares in the colors of his choice from the bank.
- > For every oil barrel of his own color that the owner of the refinery has in his refinery, the player has two choices:
 - Deliver the oil barrel for the final victory: you will receive no shares for this barrel.
 - Do not deliver the oil barrel and receive 4 shares of the colors of your choice from the bank. The oil barrel goes back in stock.

H Refill area cards up to 8

- > Take the top card of the top down card deck, reveal it and put it with the other 7 cards.
 - If 4 cards depicting the same area are revealed, remove all 8 cards and put down 8 new ones (The first 8 cards are exempted from this rule).
 - If there are not enough cards to replenish the area cards to its maximum of 8, the previously discarded cards are shuffled and put back on the board face down to make a new stack.
- > Move the black cube 1 spot on the round counter.

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 IF Supply
 IF (•) 4

Clarification: When 5 barrels have been delivered to a refinery, it is considered full and the oil will be moved to the continent panels at the bottom of the game board. This happens only when



the active player is done with his turn. For every barrel of a different color you will receive 4 shares in a color of your choosing. For every barrel of your own color, you can choose to receive 4 shares of any color or send the oil to the continent.



4 cards depicting the same area

In-game valuing

At the end of round 5 all shares in each of the 4 colors, the money and the continents will be valued.

Assigning value to the shares and money bills:

- > 1st shareholder receives
- > 2nd shareholder receives
- Players with a loan cannot vie for the proceeds of the shares in their own color.

Assigning value to the 7 continents:

(The player with the most oil supplied to each continent)

- > 1st place
- > 2nd place

Tied for shares/money/oil deliveries:

- 2 players tied for first place: both players gain
 3 victory points, no second place.
- > 2 tied for second place: Both players gain 1 victory point.
- > 3 players tied for first place: each 2 points, no second place.
- 3 players tied for second place: each player will receive 0 points.

Loans

- As soon as a player has a shortage of his own shares, he must take out a loan of 10 shares of his own color with the bank.
- Put an oil barrel on the game board next to the bank.
- > A player may take out multiple loans.
- > Paying off a loan:
 - At the end of round 3 (4 for 3 players) 15 own shares (optional)
 - At the end of round 5 (6 for 3 players) 20 own shares (optional)
 - At the end of round 7 (8 for 3 players) 25 own shares (mandatory)

(For each share you cannot pay you'll lose 1 victory point)



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Victory points during the game

- > Victory points on the area cards
- > Building a refinery:
- 1st refinery
- 2nd refinery
 3rd refinery
 4th refinery
 5th refinery
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- > Take 8 new area cards

End of game

- 1 The game ends after all players have played 7 (8 when playing with 3 players) area cards.
- 2 Players with a refinery on their area cards can empty a refinery of their choosing (in the player order of the final round).
- 3 Any loans must be paid off (see "Loans").
- 4 Count any Wildcatter chips.
- 5 Count the shares, money and award victory points.
- 6 Award victory points for all oil delivered to a continent.
- 7 See who the winner is. If there are players tied for first place, count the shares in the player's own color.

Final Score

Valuing to the Wildcatter chips:

	0		-	
>	1 st chip			62
>	2 nd chip			64
>	3 rd chip			6
	Etcetera.			

Playing with 4 players:

The $1^{st} 2^{nd}$ and 3^{rd} place award the points below.

With 3 players:

> The 1st 2nd and 3rd place award the points below.

Valuing the 4 shares and the money:

> 1st shareholder receives
 > 1st or tied for 1st with own color
 > 2nd shareholder
 > 3rd shareholder
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When tied, all points are added and rounded down.

>	2 players are tied for 1 st place	6
>	2 players tied for 2 nd place	\$3
>	3 players are tied for 1 st place	64
>	3 players are tied for 2 nd	\$2
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> No 1st, 2nd or 3rd place, no points awarded.

Valuing the oil delivered to the 7 continents:

>	1 st place	10
>	2 nd place	65
>	3 rd place	\$3

When players are tied, the points are totaled and rounded down.

>	2 players tied for 1 st place:	67
>	2 players tied for 2 nd place:	64
>	3 players tied for 1 st place:	6
>	3 players tied for 2 nd place:	62
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> No 1st, 2nd or 3rd place: No points awarded

Game situations

Developing an oil field

Mary (green) has 2 drilling rigs in Russia. Bill (yellow) has 2 drilling rigs in Russia.

It is Mary's turn and she takes the area card of Russia. She receives the 10 money bills, 2 red shares and 2 money bills that are on the area card. For her first action she places a drilling rig in Russia. For this, she pays 4 money bills to the bank. For her second action, Mary starts to drill the oil field and pays 8 money bills to the bank. The oil has been drilled and she replaces one of her drilling rig with 1 pumpjack and places 3 green barrels next to it. Bill pays Mary 3 blue shares and replaces one of his drilling rigs with a pumpjack and places 3 barrels next to it. The field is now developed. Now Mary bids the most shares for the Wildcatter and she places one oil barrel on the Wildcatter chip.





Transporting oil

John (green) has 2 pumpjacks with 2 oil and 1 tanker in South America. Amy (blue) has 1 train, 2 pumpjacks with 2 oil, 1 drilling rig and 1 tanker in South America. Steve (red) has 1 train and 1 pumpjack with 2 oil in South America.

It is John's turn and he takes the area card South America, 10 money bills and takes the 3 extra money bills on the card. He builds a drilling rig for 4 money bills first. After that he replaces the drilling rig with a pumpjack and places 3 oil barrels next to it. He has to pay 3 money bills for this. Then John transports the oil and pays 4 money bills.

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The other players decide to transport as well. From all present pumpjacks, 1 oil is now transported. John first pays for the transport via train 2 green shares to Steve and 1 green share to Amy. After that, John decides to use the rail network to deliver 1 oil barrel to the refinery in North America and the other two are placed on his own tanker.

Amy uses her own train to transport her two oil barrels to her own tanker. Steve also uses his own train to transport his barrel and places 1 barrel of oil on the tanker belonging to John. For this, he pays 1 red share to John.

John moves the tanker to Russia and delivers his 2 oil barrels to the refinery belonging to Steve. Steve pays John 4 red shares for the oil. Since there are already 3 oil barrels in the refinery, it is now full. Steve can now choose another destination for his oil barrel. He decides to ship it to Australia. Amy owns the refinery there and she pays Steve 2 blue shares.

Amy also decides to ship her 2 barrels to Australia and delivers her barrels to her own refinery. Because there were already 2 barrels there at the start of the turn, the refinery is now full. John is now done with his turn.

All full refineries are now emptied, starting with the refinery belonging to Amy. She delivers all oil to the continent of Australia. She receives no shares for her own two barrels but receives 12 shares for the other 3 barrels belonging to John and Steve. She chooses 6 green, 4 red and 2 blue shares.

Steve delivers two 2 red and 2 green barrels to the continent. He decides not to deliver his 3rd barrel to the continent. Because of this, he receives 12 shares. He chooses 12 red shares.























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