

NAUGHTS AND CROSSES



Have you ever played tic-tac-toe? How about with a Viking? In this novelty archery shoot, the line marshal will set up five specialized naughts and crosses targets. At the command of 'loose', the archers will loose the standard six arrows and attempt to strike as many of the separate squares in the target as possible.

Much like tic-tac-toe, the object of this shoot is to land your arrows in as many consecutive lines as possible. To score this shoot, consider the following:

Each square is scored as:

2 2 2
3 5 3
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After the single arrow score is counted:

- 1 line of three arrows (up-and-down, straight-across, diagonally) – add 5 points
- 2 lines of three arrows (up-and-down, straight-across, diagonally) – add 10 points
- 3 lines of three arrows (up-and-down, straight-across, diagonally) – add 15 points

(Consecutive lines of three arrows that are created by the addition of an arrow to part of an existing line still count towards the number of consecutive lines. For example, if an archer scored a single arrow in each square down the left-hand side (for an arrow score of $2+3+2=7$), and a single arrow in each of the two remaining squares across the top of the target (for an arrow score of $2+2=4$, a current total score of 11), he has scored two lines of three arrows for an additional 10 points, giving him a final score of 21.)

The naughts and crosses target face typically consists of a grid decorated with any number of X and O symbols. If you are interested in an additional dimension to this archery game involving personal fortune telling, refer to the target example below for a demonstration of the Norse Runes used in the fortune telling target grid. Also refer to Naughts and Crosses Runic Fortunes document for additional information.

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