





How to play Aadu Puli Aatam (A Game of Goats and Tigers):

- 1) Print the game board above on an A4 or A3 sheet of paper. Find three similar game pieces to be used as tigers and 15 similar game pieces to be used as goats. (*Be creative! Game pieces can be anything you find around the house! Examples include tamarind seeds, marbles and even rolled up balls of coloured paper*)
- 2) The game is played by two players. One player is the 'Goat' and the other is the 'Tiger'.
- 3) If you are playing the 'Tiger' your objective would be to kill five goats. If you are playing the 'Goat', your objective would be to surround all three tigers such that the tigers cannot make a move.
- 4) The game starts off with the tiger placing his first piece at the tip of the triangle.
- 5) Then the goat places his piece on any of the circles. The tiger and goat then alternate turns by placing their pieces on the board.
- 6) After placing all three tiger game pieces, the 'Tiger' can start its move. However, the 'Goats' cannot move until all 15 goat game pieces are placed on the board.
- 7) All game pieces on the board can only move from one circle to the next empty circle along the lines. Only one move can be made at each turn.
- 8) A tiger can kill a goat by jumping over it along the line. The circle next to the goat where the tiger lands must be empty. A tiger can only kill one goat at a time.
- 9) A goat blocks the tiger by surrounding it, such that the tiger is unable to move/jump anywhere.