

Focus (board game)

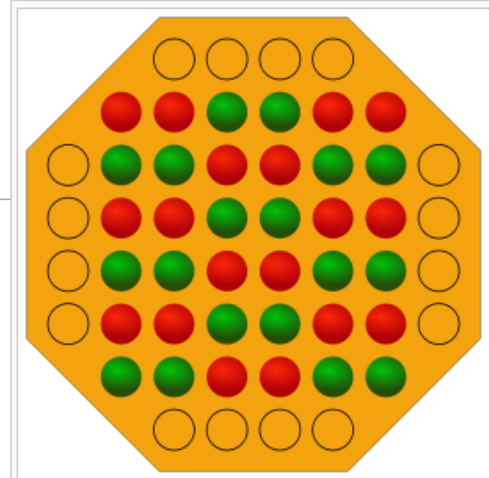
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Focus is an **abstract strategy board game**, designed by [Sid Sackson](#) and first published in 1964 by [Kosmos](#). The game has been re-published many times since, sometimes under the titles *Domination* or *Dominio*. *Focus* won the 1981 [Spiel des Jahres](#) and [Essen Feather](#) awards. The game appears in Sackson's *A Gamut of Games* in the section *New Battles on an Old Battlefield*.

Gameplay

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Two to four players move stacks of one to five pieces around a [checkerboard](#) with the three squares in each corner removed, thus forming a 6×6 board with 1×4 extensions on each side. Stacks may move as many spaces as there are pieces in the stack. Players may only move a stack if the topmost piece in the stack is one of their pieces. When a stack lands on another stack, the two stacks merge; if the new stack contains more than five pieces, then pieces are removed from the bottom to bring it down to five. If a player's own piece is removed, they are kept and may be placed on the board later in lieu of moving a stack. If an opponent's piece is removed, it is captured. The last player who is able to move a stack wins.



Two-player starting position

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