**Balance Master** simulates the real situation when we have to finish two tasks at the same time. Hopefully from this game, the players can develop their own strategies to help them live a better life. Now, suppose you are a college boy named Tom. You are trying to keep a long-distance relationship with your girlfriend Joanna. But at the same time, you really want to master those hard-core subjects you have in this semester. So your goal is to pass the finishing line of both tasks within 10 rounds (right panel). The situations (left panel) will lift you up or pull you down. **You will need a dice for this game**.

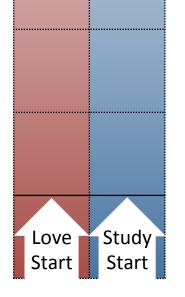
- 1) Cut out the progress flags and the triangle situation marks. Put them at corresponding arrows.
- 2) For each round, decide which one (or both) task(s) you will work on.
- 3) If you decide to do both, first roll the dice for Task A, generate a new situation by moving Mark A in the situation flow, and accept what is coming. Then repeat the operation for Task B. Because if you have multiple tasks at the same time, then you cannot control the situation because your energy is limited.
- 4) If you decide to focus on one task instead, do as 3). The difference is that you can only work on the chosen task, but you can roll the dice for a second time if you do not like your first roll. Because you are more likely to solve a problem if you put all energy on one task.

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| <b>Love</b> | Study        |
| Progress    | Progress     |
| <b>Love</b> | <b>Study</b> |
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| Love Situation                                  |  | Joanna said that she<br>missed you. 1 level up | You forgot Joanna's<br>birthday. 1 level down |
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| Joanna liked your old                           | You had a wonderful trip                         | Your visit surprised                           | Joanna said your gift was                     |
| styled letter! 1 level up                       | with Joanna! 2 levels up                         | Joanna! 2 levels up                            | great! 2 levels up                            |
| Joanna introduced you to                        | Good to see you two have                         | Joanna refused to answer                       | Joanna kissed you! 1 level                    |
| her parents! 2 levels up                        | regular calls! 1 level up                        | your call. 2 levels down                       | up  |
| You and Joanna had a<br>fight. 2 levels down    | You and Joanna raised a pet together. 1 level up | Joanna came to see you! 2<br>levels up         |   |
| You failed an exam. 2                           | You heard an interesting                         | You won a competition! 2                       |   |
| levels down                                     | lecture. 1 level up                              | levels up                                      |   |
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| Your dream grad school offered you! 2 levels up | You entered a lab. 1 level                       | You did not hand in your                       | You had a new discovery                       |
|   | up   | homework. 2 levels down                        | in the lab. 1 level                           |
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