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## Gaku's Play Guide THUNDERBIRDS

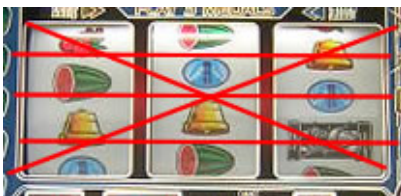
First of all: whenever you come across unfamiliar terms, look up the [Glossary](#).

### Game

You insert three tokens, hit the spin knob, and push the reel stop buttons. This sequence is called a "Game." Let's say, "You may need 20 games to get a Big Bonus" -- This means you need to repeat this sequence 20 times until you win a Big Bonus

### 3 Bet and 5 Wining Lines

You must put in three tokens or credits (Max Bet) to spin the reels. A max bet gives you five lines to get a winning combination. Five winning lines are:
























### Winning Combinations and Prizes

Thunderbirds offers two principal prizes -- a bonus round and small prizes. A bonus round divides into a Big Bonus and a Regular Bonus, and small prizes consists of the Watermelon, the Bell, the Cherry, and a Replay.

For the details of a Big Bonus and a Regular Bonus, see "[Big and Regular Bonuses](#)."

	15 + Big Bonus
	15 + Regular Bonus
<b>Small Prizes</b>	
	12: Watermelon
	8: Bell
	2: Cherry
	Replay: Jac
<b>During the Big Bonus</b>	
	10

 — —	4
  	Jac-in: 9
<b>Buring the Jac Games</b>	
  	15

Let's say, you've got    on one of five lines. At this point you win 15 credits and enter a Big Bonus. Likewise, when you have   , you get 15 credits and enter a Regular Bonus.    is the Bell, paying out 8 credits.  — — is called "Cherry" -- when you have a cherry on the left reel, you win 2 credits no matter what symbols you have on the right and middle reels.  is a symbol "Jac."    is a prize "Replay" in normal game mode and a "Jac-in" during a bonus round.

### How to Win?

Understand you never win a Regular or a Big Bonus out of blue -- you must go through a winning process. That is, you play "Normal Games" first, get a "Winning Sign," and move on to "Stand-by Games" that offer you chances to win a Regular or a Big Bonus. For details, see "[How to Win?](#)" in the section "Pachislo World." Also see "[Winning Signs and Small Prizes](#)" to win small prizes.

### Machine Actions

Probably, there is no machine that incorporates a LCD (Liquid Crystal Display) into its game function more than Thunderbirds does. What the LCD shows is always related to the ongoing game you are playing. See the description below.

### Stories on the LCD: Three Settings in Normal Games

When you play normal games, you are in one of the three settings: "Plant," "Base," and "Office." In each setting you get notices for oncoming prizes. These notices are done with various screen actions as you see below.

#### 1. Plant



If you see a lighting.



And an explosion!



**Big/Reg Bonus!**

#### 2. Base



First Stop: Pool



Second Stop: Opening the pool



Third Stop:  
Thunderbird 1  
launching!!

**Big/Reg Bonus!**

Thunderbird 1 flying over --> Replay or Bell (8 tokens)



Thunderbird 2 flying over --> Watermelon (12 tokens)



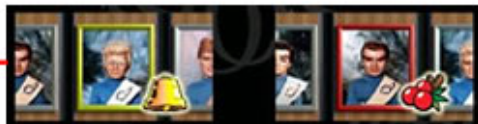
Thunderbird 3 flying over --> Cherry (1 token)



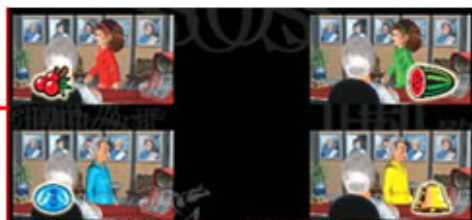
#### 3. Office



The color of picture frame corresponds with the prize!

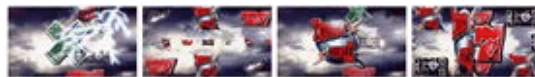


The color of clothes corresponds with the prize!



Now, let's talk about a Reg/Big Bonus. The machine gives you four kinds of notices for a Reg/Big Bonus -- you already saw two of them in the chart above. Other two notices are: (1) the lottery on the LCD and (2) the so-called "Count Down."

(1) Lottery: when it makes a winning combination, it's a sign for a big prize! See the photo below.



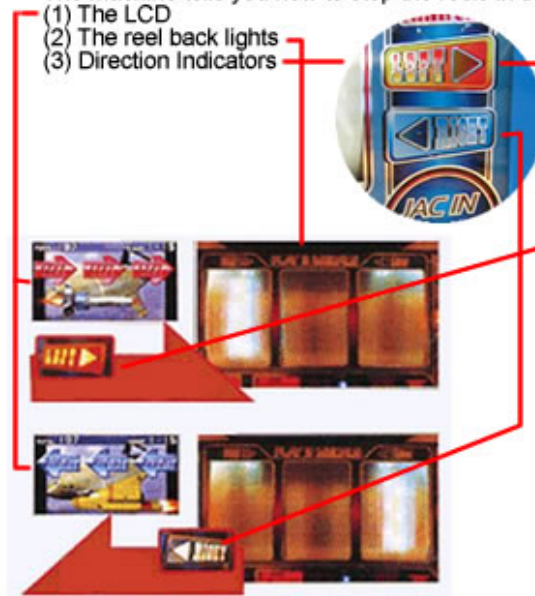
(2) Count Down: The machine may start a count down with voices such as "Five," "Four," "Three," "Two," and "One!" When you hear these voices five games consecutively, it's a sign for a big prize!

Once you win a Reg/Big Bonus, you can earn the full prize just by following instructions from the machine.

#### Instructions during the Bonus Round

The machine tells you how to stop the reels in three ways.

- (1) The LCD
- (2) The reel back lights
- (3) Direction Indicators

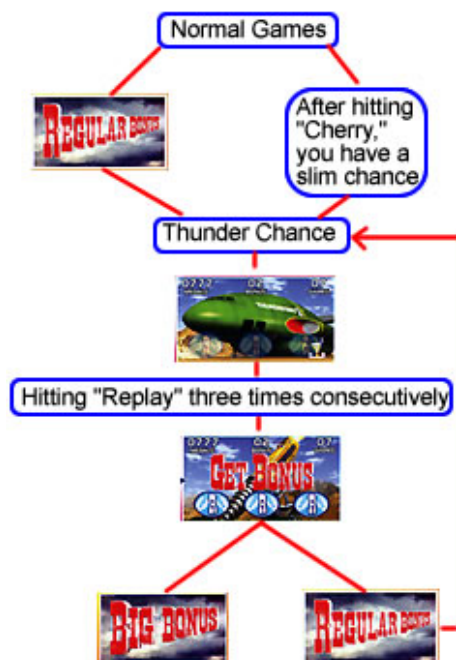


Other than a Reg/Big Bonus, Thunderbirds equips a special game function, called "Thunder Chance."



During the Thunder Chance, you have better chance to win a Reg/Big Bonus -- all you need is three consecutive "Replay" to win a Reg/Big Bonus. You may enter the Thunder Chance right after a Regular Bonus, or after winning a "Cherry 🍒 — —." It may last 10, 20, or 100 games! Excitement is guaranteed when the Thunder Chance gets on!

### Thunder Chance Flow Chart



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