FAQs

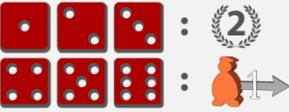**What is the meaning of the icons depicted on *Skill Cards* and on *Trading Post Cards*?**

The following table shows the meaning of the icons appearing on *Skill Cards* and on *Trading Post Cards*.

	The Automa receives 1 jade
	The Automa receives 1 pepper
	The Automa receives 1 silk
	The Automa receives 1 gold
	The Automa gains 2 VPs
	The Automa takes the D space action, as described in the solo rules
	The Automa completes 1 contract in the E space
	The Automa flips 1 guild seal, if present in A/B/C/D space.
	The Automa gains 2 Victory Points or 1 advancement based on the value of the die just placed on the city card. Remember that the die is rolled before it is placed on the card.
	The Automa takes 1 black die, if present.
	The Automa gains 2VPs immediately and at the beginning of each next round.

+1	The Automa obtains +1 shield for the end game scoring.

How POPE GREGORIO X works?

During the game the Pope Gregorio X receives some resources by the bonuses depicted on the Trading Post Card, and these are placed on the Automa's playmat. Anytime before the end of the round, the player can discard one or more resources to the general reserve to remove the matching resources from the Automa's playmat.

Example: The player may discard 1 pepper and 1 silk, then also remove 1 pepper and 1 silk from the Automa mat to prevent the Automa from scoring VP for these resources at the end of the round.

What happens if the Automa cannot take its first travel action?

The first time the Automa takes the travel action, you should look only the first city after Beijing and then check if the Automa can go there. If the Automa can not take the travel action, the trip slide should return to its starting position, as the Automa's figure remains in Beijing.

Niccolò Polo: can the player choose to loose VPs instead of spending its camels/coins?

No. The player first select one trading post, then he pays all camels/coins, he can. If he has not enough stuff, he looses VPs.

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