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The Megagame of Power Politics in Old Japan

TEAM BRIEFING - ODA CLAN



The new Daimyo of this clan is the 17 year old Oda Nobunaga.

The clan controls OWARI province at a value of **13 points of rice tax**.

Recent History

Oda Nobunaga's father (Oda Nobuhide) has only just died, and there is some doubt about young Nobunaga's ability to lead the clan due to his inexperience and headstrong nature. Certainly he is a strong fighter and excels at the military arts and has experience of leadership in battle.

Some retainers support Nobunaga's younger brother Nobuyasu for the Lordship although they are not in open rebellion.

Nobunaga's elder brother Nobuhiro supports his younger brother because he has no wish to take on the responsibilities of a Daimyo.

Player Team

ODA NOBUNAGA (17) New leader of the clan.

ODA NOBUHIRO (20) Nobunaga's elder brother, and main supporter.

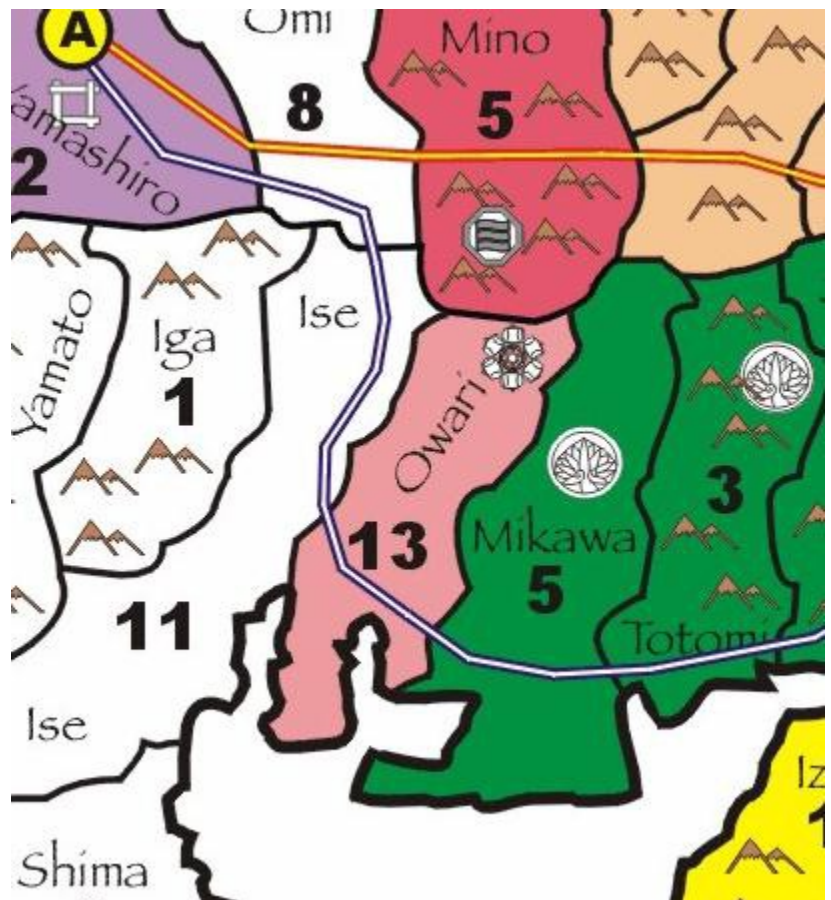
HIRADE KIYOHIDE (40) Loyal retainer of Nobunaga and Clan Chamberlain.

KIYOSU TODA (51) Elder samurai, Clan General and supporter of young Nobuyasu.

TAKAGI SHIMPEI (53) A loyal veteran clan samurai.

Dynastic Information

Oda Nobunaga has recently married the daughter of Saito Toshimasa of neighbouring Mino Province.





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Personal Briefing : Lord Oda Nobunaga

You are young, but already very experienced.



You feel that despite your years you have a destiny to fulfil, and maybe lead the Oda clan to considerable power and influence in the land.

However, with great and powerful lords in your area, the short term is likely to be filled with a hard struggle for survival against your rapacious neighbours.

You aim to survive, and hopefully, build a power base.



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Personal Briefing : Oda Nobuhiro



It has been clear for many years that your younger brother is better suited to lead the clan than yourself, and so you have willingly supported him (and continue to do so).

You know that now is a time of great danger to the clan. The lack of strong central control from the Shogun has meant that powerful and aggressive Daimyo are constantly fighting amongst themselves, often to extinction. You do not want this to happen to your clan - the destruction of your clan by one or more of these rapacious warlords would not only be a bitter thing, but would disgrace the names of your ancestors. You do not wish this.

Your personal objectives are therefore:

- a. To ensure that the clan survives at all costs.
- b. To encourage your brother to avoid all adventures that might put the clan and its current holdings at risk.
- c. To ensure that the clan does nothing that would disgrace the names of its ancestors.
- d. You would like to increase your standing in the clan also - but obviously this should not be at the expense of the greater good of the clan itself.



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Personal Briefing : Chamberlain Hirade Kiyohide



Despite what is said about the hard and sombre life of the samurai, you have always fought hard and played hard. You feel that it is up to the samurai class to outshine the old and decadent nobility in terms of patronage of the arts, plays and buildings, so that the legacy of the samurai will last for thousands of years - and you will have a good time in the here and now also.

Your personal objectives are therefore:

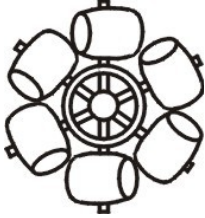
- a. To ensure that your clan becomes famed for its lavish patronage of the arts, if not the most famous clan in the land.
- b. to make sure that you yourself patronise the arts to the greatest possible extent.
- c. To improve your personal standing within the clan.



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Personal Briefing : General Kiyosu Toda



You are a great traditionalist. You believe in the absolute power of your Lord, have total loyalty to him, and through him to the Emperor (may he live for 1000 years).

Honour is not just the most important thing, it is the *only* thing.

You avoid the dishonourable, do the honourable, and be ready to die at all times.

Your personal objectives are:

- a. Obey your Lord in all things - no matter what.
- b. Gain honour for your Lord by your actions.
- c. Gain honour for your clan by your actions
- d. If necessary, die an honourable death rather than be dishonoured, or fail in your objectives.



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Personal Briefing : Veteran Retainer Takagi Shimpei



You believe that now is the time of greatness for the clan. the Shogun is a snivelling weakling, and the various other Daimyo are disorganised and fight for only local advantage. You could see your Lord as Shogun, if only he will pursue the cause and defeat his enemies.

Your personal objectives are therefore:

- a. encourage and support your Lord in a bid to become Shogun.
- b. To increase the standing of your clan substantially.
- c. To ensure that your clan is the strongest and most respected in Japan.
- d. To never, never, stand for insults from your inferiors (which is just about anyone from another clan).