

Games

Fruit Basket

Each person is given the name of some kind of fruit. Have only enough chairs for those playing.

Everyone sits down except for the person who is “it”.

The person who is “it” calls out the name of a fruit three times. “Apple, apple, apple”

If they can say it three times before the person whose fruit is called can stand up and say the name of their fruit once, the person who was “it” can sit down and the other person is “it”.

If the person who is “it” says, “The fruit basket turned over” everyone has to jump up and change seats with somebody. The person who is it tries to get a seat too. The one left standing is “it”.

Marching to Jerusalem (Musical Chairs)

Make one long row of chairs alternating the direction of the chairs are facing. One chair facing this way and the next one facing the other direction and so on. There is always one less chair than players.

The leader beats on a tin pan with a spoon.

While the leader is beating on the pan the others march around the row of chairs until the leader stops beating on the pan.

When the marching beat stops everyone must sit down.

The one left standing is out. He takes a chair and moves away from the group.

When there are just two left going around that one chair, they really have to scramble to get the chair.

Needle's Eye

Two people (one would be a red bird and one would be a blue bird) would stand holding hands with their hands in the air like in London Bridge.

They said the rhyme, "The needle's eye that does supply the thread that runs so truly and many a boy I let up because I wanted Julie" as the others went under the bridge.

When they got to the word "Julie" they would catch the person under their arms.

They would ask the person caught, "Do you want to be a red bird or a blue bird?"

They would get in the line behind that colored bird.

When everyone had been caught and was lined up behind one of the birds a line would be drawn between the birds.

The two teams would then have a tug of war.

The team pulling the most people over the line was the winner. The number pulled over would be the number of birds that were captured.

Good Night

The girls and boys lined up in different lines facing each other.

Every girl is given the name of a boy who is playing.

A boy goes up to a girl, bows, and takes her by the arm and leads her back to the base. The first boy to get back with the girl having his name is the winner.

If the girl doesn't have his name she tries to trick the boy by pretending that she is going all the way back to the base with him, but about half way or a little farther she says, "good night" And runs back to the girls' line.

The boy has to go hunt for another girl. He has to find the one named for him.

Rolly Hole

We would make little holes in the dirt about one step apart. They would be laid out in a course like the holes in golf.

Everyone playing put their marble on the starting line.

Each person would take turns shooting their marble from where it stopped the turn before.

Objective – to shoot the marble into the next little hole on the course.

You can only touch the marble with your thumb nail.

If you got the marble into the next hole you got another turn.

To win you had to go all the way to the end of the course of little holes and back. It took a long time to fully complete a game.