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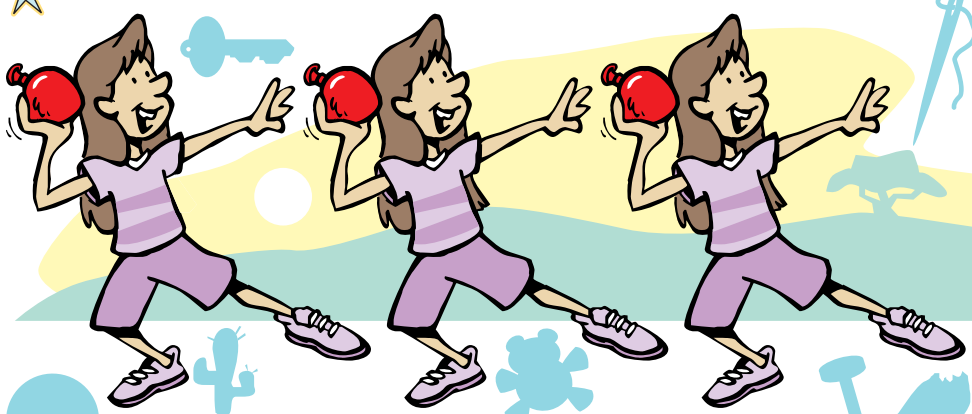
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Are you looking forward to the Olympics in Rio? It's time for YOU to get in on the fun in your backyard or neighborhood park. Most of the events on this page work for two or more players. So, invite some friends to join you at The Kid Scoop Backyard Games!



Find the two identical girls. Look carefully!

Kid Scoop's Backyard Games

Water Balloon Shot Put

(Be sure to pick up all the little water balloon pieces after the event!)

Stuff you need:

- water balloons
- sidewalk chalk

Draw four squares on your patio or the sidewalk. Draw a large numeral 1 in the first box, a large 3 in the second box, a large 5 in the third box and a large 7 in the fourth square.



From a good distance away, each player throws four water balloons, trying to score the most points. If your balloon lands in the box marked 1, you get one point, score three points for the box marked 3 and so on.

Extra Challenge:

Before each throw, spin around three times!

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow multiple step directions to play a game.

Newspaper Catch

Stuff you need:

- newspaper
- tape

Crumple one sheet of newspaper into a ball. Wrap tape around it to hold it together. Facing your partner, hold a sheet of newspaper flat between you. Try to make the ball bounce up and down on the newspaper. How high can you toss it and still catch it? How many times in a row can you catch it?

The Discus Challenge

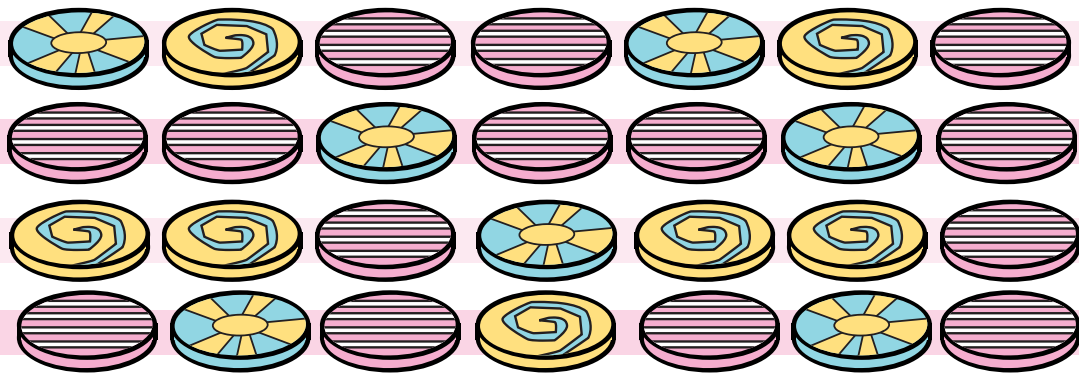
Stuff you need:

- plastic flying disc or coffee can lid
- empty box or laundry basket

Place the box or basket on one side of the yard. Each player takes a turn trying to throw the disc into it from 10 steps away. After everyone has had a turn, try throwing from 30 steps away. Score 10 points for each successful throw.

Extra Challenge: Have left-handers throw with their right hands and right-handers throw with their left hands.

Platter Patterns: Draw the disc that comes next in each row below.

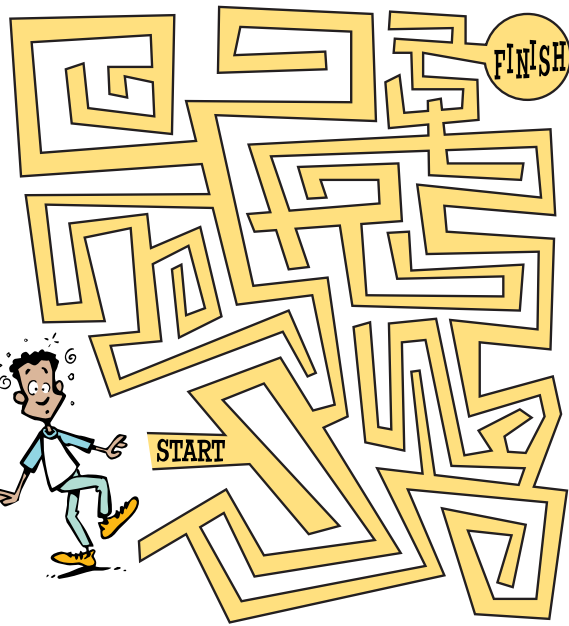


Standards Link: Math/Probability: Extend simple patterns.

The No-Bike Cycling Race

Decide on a start and a finish line on a patch of grass. Then, somersault like a bike wheel as you race towards the finish line!

Somersaults can make you dizzy! Help this kid find his way to the finish line.



Standards Link: Physical Education: Eye hand coordination.

Double Double Word Search

- STEPS
- BALL
- SHADOWS
- DISC
- MUSIC
- GAME
- POINTS
- STUFF
- BACKYARD
- PARK
- EVENTS
- WATER
- THROW
- MOST
- BOUNCE

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.



Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

What is the quietest sport?



ANSWER: Bowling, because you can hear a pin drop.

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