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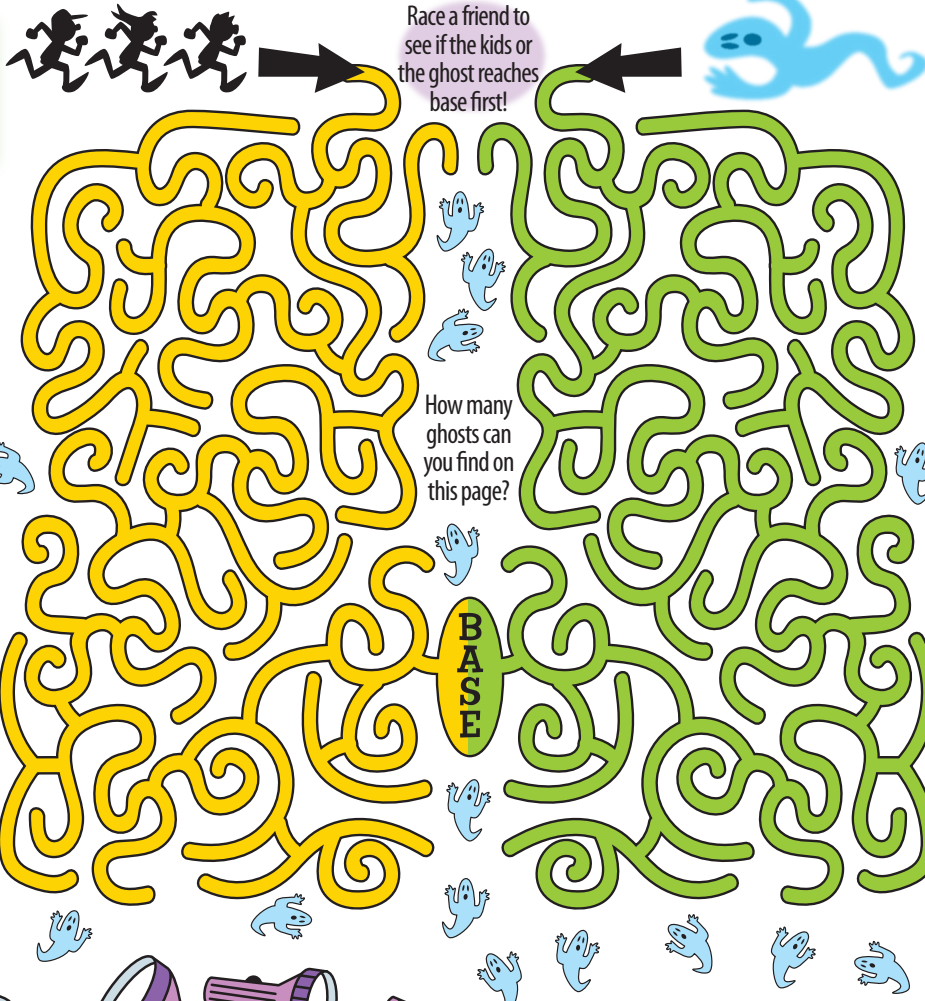
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Outdoor Games

Looking for a way to have fun and get some exercise? Head outdoors! Here are a few games to turn outside time into game time!

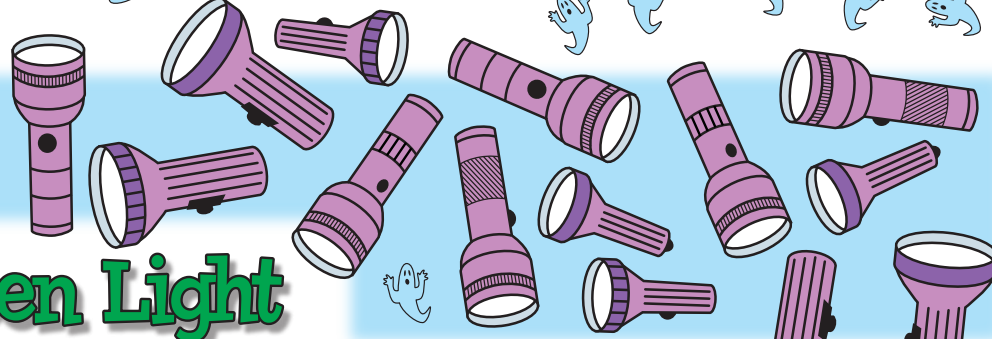
Ghost in the Graveyard

Do you like to play Hide and Seek? Do you like to run and chase? Then this is a game for you!



- HOW TO PLAY:**
1. Round up three or more friends. Choose a ghost (or person to be it) and a place to be home base.
 2. When players are touching home base, the ghost can't see them.
 3. The ghost hides while the other players close their eyes and count to 30.
 4. After counting, the players yell, "Apples, peaches, pumpkin pie; if you're not ready, holler 'I!'"
 5. The players search for the ghost. If a ghost can tag a player without getting spotted, that player becomes the ghost for a new game.
 6. If any player sees the ghost, they yell, "Ghost in the graveyard!" and all the players try to get back to the home base before the ghost tags them. If they do, then the ghost has to be the ghost again in the next game.

For extra fun, you can play Ghost in the Graveyard at night using flashlights. Can you find an exact match for each of these flashlights?



Red Light, Green Light

HOW TO PLAY: Choose one person to be **It**. He or she stands a good distance away from the other players with their back to the other players who line up on a starting line, facing **It**.

When **It** calls "Green Light," the other players move towards **It** until **It** spins around, yelling "Red Light." When they hear the "Red Light" command, the other players must freeze on the spot.

Any player seen moving must return to the starting line. The players must remain frozen until the next "Green Light" command is given.

Play continues in this manner until someone reaches and tags **It**. The tagger becomes the new **It** and the game begins again.

Draw the road sign that continues the pattern in each row.



Extra! Extra! Newspaper Ball

Roll up several pages of the newspaper to make a "bat." Wad up some other pages and tape up to make a "ball." With a pal, play catch with the ball. Have one person pitch the ball and the other try to hit it with the newspaper bat.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Freeze Tag

HOW TO PLAY: Divide a group of friends into two teams and choose one of the teams to be **It**.

The team that is **It** tries to tag the players on the other team. When tagged, a player must freeze. Untagged teammates can unfreeze their frozen teammates by tagging them. The game ends when the **It** team has frozen everyone. Then the other team is **It** and a new game begins!

Match each frosty riddle with its punchline.

- What do you get when you cross a snowman with a ghost? **IN SNOW BANKS!**
- What do you get when you cross a snowman with a shark? **ICE SCREAMS!**
- What do you call a snowman in June? **FROSTBITE!**
- Where do snowmen keep their money? **A PUDDLE!**

Double Double Word Search

- GRAVEYARD
- OUTSIDE
- PERSON
- PLAYERS
- GHOST
- LIGHT
- GREEN
- CHASE
- HOME
- GAME
- TEAM
- TAGS
- PAGE
- BASE
- NEW

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?



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

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Outdoor Plans

Look through the newspaper for things that look fun to do outdoors. Make a list of outdoor activities you'd like to do and share them with your family. Make a plan to do one of them.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.



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