



# EASTER FUN ACTIVITIES

Mornings 6-12

This booklet is designed for fun only! It isn't homework and doesn't have to be completed, but might help fill a bit of time for your children over the next couple of weeks without needing lots of input from adults

# Holiday Fun Morning 6

## 1. Ice Block Photography

### Instructions:

1. Add around 1cm of water to a lunch box or empty ice cream tub.
2. Put the box in the freezer and allow the water to freeze, this will take a day. The box needs to be on a flat surface.
3. Take the box out of the freezer and add the object on top of the ice.
4. Add a new layer of water to the ice, again 1cm. Do this quickly to avoid the ice melting, and floating to the top.
5. Once again allow a day for the water to totally freeze.
6. Now repeat steps 4 and 5 until the thickness of the ice is to your liking, and the object is sealed inside the ice.
7. Make sure the base of the block of ice is wide enough so you can stand it upright without it falling over.



*Run a hot tap over the ice to give the ice block an organic shape*



Shine a light behind the ice-block to create a silhouette effect.

Freeze some tinned sardines and put a blue light behind the ice to create a magical effect.



## 2. Using your Noodle

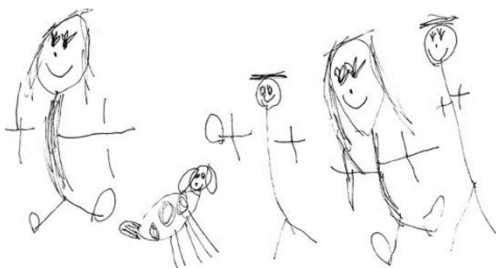


**How long does it take you to move 3 pieces of pasta from a plate to a cup using no hands and only one piece of uncooked spaghetti?**

**If you have some cooked spaghetti, you can put 3 or 4 full strands of spaghetti on a plates and race the rest of your family to see who can be first to eat all the strands of spaghetti with no hands or eating utensils.**



## 3. Silly Scribblings Family Art Gallery



**Why not have a family art competition. If you think you're rubbish at drawing, it won't matter in this competition; chances are everybody's drawing will be rubbish!**



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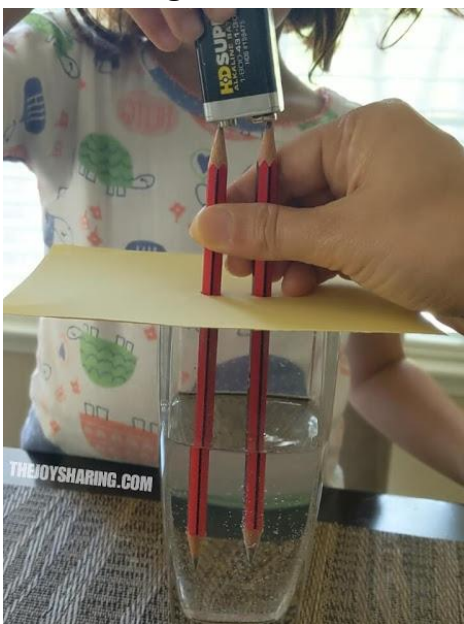
Try drawing:

1. using your non-dominant hand
2. with the pencil in your mouth
3. with the pencil in your toes
4. with your head upside down
5. with your eyes closed
6. with your dominant hand after you spin around in a circle 10x
7. using a super tiny pencil (use a crazy golf pencil or smaller)
8. using a huge pencil
9. with your paper taped to the underside of a desk (Michelangelo style)
10. a round of silly sketches
11. with both hands at the same time
12. using a white paper plate on your head and try to draw a picture on it
13. the silliest face you can think of
14. some themed Squiggle Drawing: Draw a squiggle on a piece of paper. Write a theme on the top of the paper (i.e. – farm animal). Pass the paper to someone else and they have to create a farm animal from the squiggle on the paper.

When they are finished take a picture of the family masterpieces and make a slide show of the photos on your phone.

## 4. Is that electricity I can see in the water...?

**Almost everyone has a glass of water, a couple of lead pencils, a battery and a piece of cardboard lying around at home, but what happens when you put them together?**



**Get your children to set up what they see in this picture. Children of all ages will be surprised to see what happens. Children aged 7 or above should be able to set this up completely on their own using the picture.**

(In fact, yes they will see bubbles in the water and most children think it's the electricity from the battery they are seeing. But in fact, water is made up of Hydrogen and Oxygen (H<sub>2</sub>O), and when we pass electricity through the water it breaks the water down and releases the oxygen and the hydrogen bubbles into the water. It's called electrolysis of water...)

**How close will your kids be to guessing what's really happening here?**

# Holiday fun morning 7

## TREASURE MAP

Draw a map of your room, your flat or your house from above.

Hide some treasure somewhere on the map

Show the route the pirate (mum, dad, brother, sister or teddy bear) must take to reach the treasure.

**OR**

Make clues to get them from one place to the next, for example, 'you will find the next clue by the stinky clothes'. This might mean the next clue is by the washing basket.

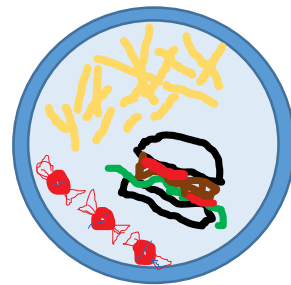


## END OF STAYING HOME SLAP UP FEAST

It probably feels like a long time until we will get to see our friends again, but having to stay home will come to an end.

Imagine you and your family or friends decide to go out for a meal to celebrate. What would you choose to eat?

Draw a plate on a piece of paper and draw your perfect dinner to celebrate. It doesn't even have to be healthy!!



## BLOW FOOTBALL COURSE

Make a straw by rolling some paper so you can blow through it

Roll another piece of paper into a little ball

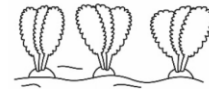
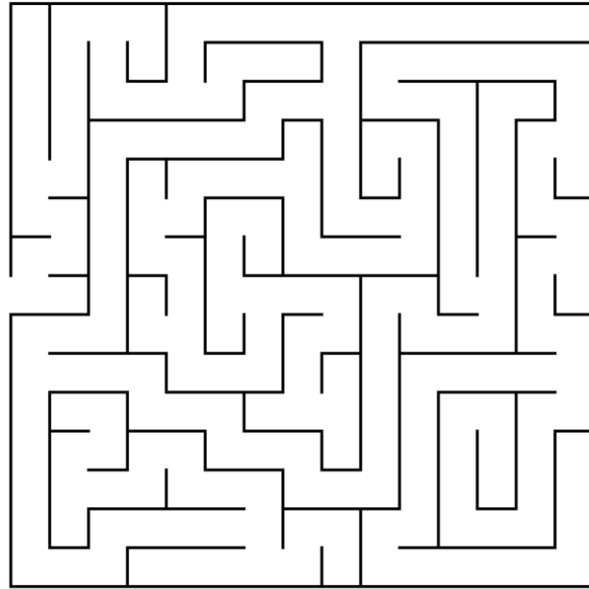
Set up some objects on your table and see if you can dribble round them into a goal.

Keep moving the objects to create a new course to dribble round.



## Rabbit Maze

Can you help the greedy rabbit find his way through the maze to the carrot patch?

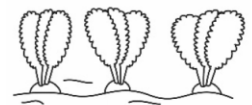
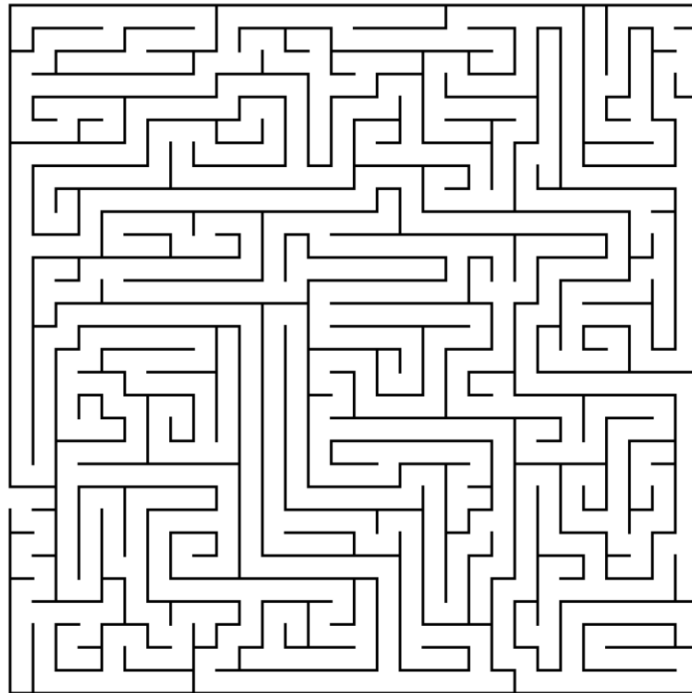


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Now try this one!

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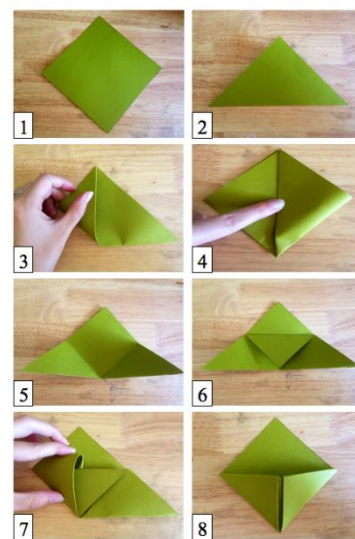
## ORIGAMI BOOK CORNER BOOK MARKS

Try following these instructions to make an origami bookmark. You can add your own design to make an animal, a monster, a superhero...

A useful video step by step guide is available at

[https://youtu.be/YVkJPCp\\_1UQ](https://youtu.be/YVkJPCp_1UQ) - if you can, use this to help you do each step.

You don't need special origami paper for this, just any paper cut into a square will be fine (for an easy way to do this, take an A4 paper and fold one corner to the opposite diagonal corner, then cut away the rectangle of paper that is left).



## MARBLE RUN

Create your own marble run using toilet rolls, cardboard, card or paper!





There are 6 words hidden in these pictures. Can you find them? Why not create your own hidden word picture for someone to solve?

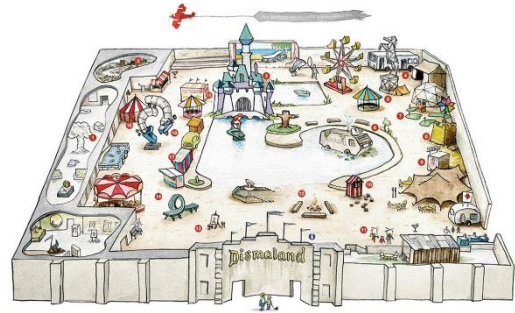




## Design your own theme park

Draw out a design for your own theme park. Think about:

- Rides you would include.
- Themed areas within your park (e.g. 'Wild West', 'Discovery Cove', 'Space invaders', 'Under the sea' etc)
- Other facilities you would need e.g. food and drink, toilets, playground, seating areas, car parks...
- Pathways to connect all the areas.
- Why not create a guide to each of the rides too?



# Holiday Fun day 9

## Can you solve these food anagrams ?


















QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
1. TORACR	1.
2. IEP	2.
3. TIRUF	3.
4. OACBN	4.
5. ECEHSE	5.
6. LPAPE	6.
7. EDRAB	7.
8. GBELTEVEA	8.
9. NCDAY	9.
10. CRIE	10.
11. AAANBN	11.
12. OOTMTA	12.
13. TTCLEUE	13.
14. NCRO	14.
15. OATOPT	15.
16. TARYBRESWR	16.
17. AGHRMRUBE	17.
18. AOEGRN	18.
19. PIAZZ	19.
20. OUPS	20.

## Dance challenge

Make up a dance routine to your favourite song.



 (Count 1, 2) <b>Arm Swing</b>	 (Count 3) (Count 4) <b>Shoulder Pop</b>	 (Count 5) (Count 6) <b>Head Turn</b>	 (Count 7) (Count 8) <b>Hip Pops</b>
 (Count 1) (Count 2) <b>Straight Jump</b>	 (Count 3) (Count 4) <b>Side Kick</b>	 (Count 5) (Count 6) <b>Drop-and-Pop</b>	 (Count 7, 8) <b>Spin</b>
 (Count 1, 2) <b>Arm Swing</b>	 (Count 3) (Count 4) <b>Shoulder Pop</b>	 (Count 5) (Count 6) <b>Head Turn</b>	 (Count 7) (Count 8) <b>Hip Pops</b>
 (Count 1, 2) <b>2 Walks Backward</b>	 (Count 3) (Count 4) <b>Tuck Jump</b>	 (Count 5) (Count 6) <b>Straight Jump</b>	<b>Make up your own pose!</b> (Count 7, Hold 8)





## Draw a picture challenge

# PICTURE SCAVENGER HUNT

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| <input type="checkbox"/> something red        | <input type="checkbox"/> smaller than a mouse  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something to eat     | <input type="checkbox"/> something green       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something clean      | <input type="checkbox"/> something smooth      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something sharp      | <input type="checkbox"/> something with wheels |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something hard       | <input type="checkbox"/> something alive       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something tiny       | <input type="checkbox"/> something orange      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something blue       | <input type="checkbox"/> something tall        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something that moves | <input type="checkbox"/> something light       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something noisy      | <input type="checkbox"/> something fluffy      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something wet        | <input type="checkbox"/> something purple      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something pink       | <input type="checkbox"/> something colorful    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something soft       | <input type="checkbox"/> something dirty       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something heavy      | <input type="checkbox"/> something shiny       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something special    | <input type="checkbox"/> something yellow      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something with hair  | <input type="checkbox"/> something stinky      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something white      | <input type="checkbox"/> something glittery    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something black      | <input type="checkbox"/> something tasty       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> something short      | <input type="checkbox"/> something you love    |

## Make a grid game

Copy a grid like the one below. Choose your letters and add to the categories.

LETTER	GIRLS' NAMES	BOYS' NAMES	ANIMALS	COLOURS					
example L	Lori	Luke	lion	lavendar					

## Alphabet challenge

Can you find an object that begins with each letter of the alphabet?



# Holiday Fun Morning 10

## How to make a paper bunny!

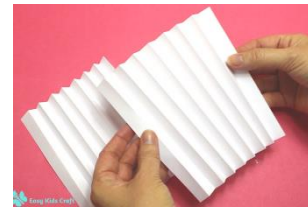
### What you will need:

- Paper
- Card
- Felt-tips/pencils
- Sissors
- Glue



### Step 1

First, concertina fold 2 pieces of A5(half of A4) paper.



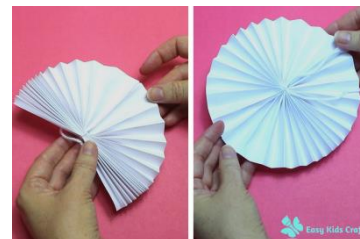
### Step 2

Next, glue the 2 pieces together. Fold the paper and tie together then centre the string so when you glue the sides they are even.



### Step 3

Then glue the sides together forming a circle.



### Step 4

Next using card, cut out 2 ears and 2 feet and colour in the inside of the ears and pads of the feet.



### Step 5

Then glue the ears to the back of the face and the feet to the front.



### Step 6

For your last step cut some circles for the eyes and nose and glue into place.





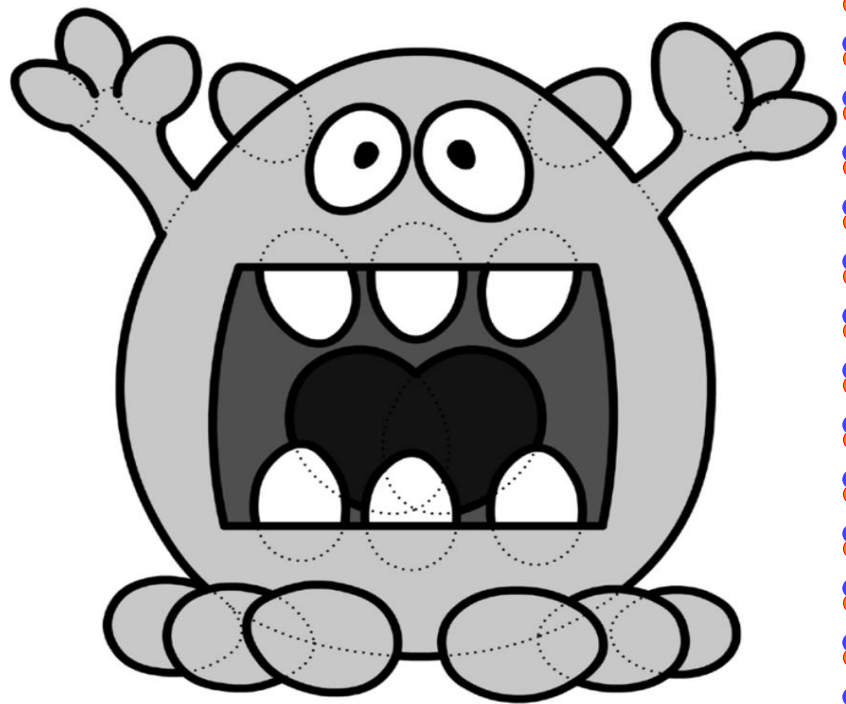
# 5 SENSES SCAVENGER HUNT

- Find something that makes a crunch sound.
- Find something that tastes sour.
- Find something that smells good.
- Find something smooth.
- Find 3 of the same thing.
- Find something that smells bad.
- Find something that tastes sweet.
- Find something loud.
- Find something long.
- Find something soft.
- Find something white.
- Find something quiet.
- Find something rough.



## SPOT THE EGGS!

There are 27 egg shapes in this monster picture. Can you find and colour them all?



# SPINGTIME STRETCHING

Have a go at these stretches, can you think of your own set of springtime stretches?



## Pretend to be a tree

Tree Pose: Stand on one leg. Bend the other knee and place the sole of your foot on your inner thigh. Sway like a tree in the breeze. Now the other side.



## Pretend to be a frog

Squat Pose: Come down to a squat with your knees apart and arms resting between your knees. Touch your hands to the ground. Jump like a frog.



## Pretend to be a seed

Child's Pose: Sit back on your heels and bring your forehead down to rest on the floor. Pretend to be a seed in the garden.



## Pretend to be a butterfly

Cobbler's Pose: Sit on your buttocks with a tall spine. Bend your legs with the soles of your feet together. Flap your legs like the wings of a butterfly.

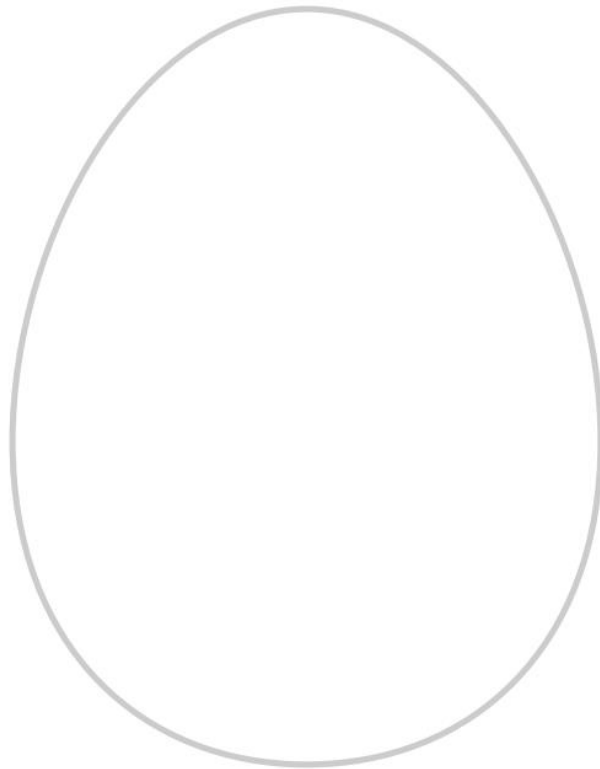


## Pretend to be a flower

Flower Pose: Lift your bent legs, balancing on your sitting bones. Weave your arms under your legs, palms up. Pretend to be a flower in bloom.



Create an egg-shaped character.



What is its name?

What is its favourite colour?

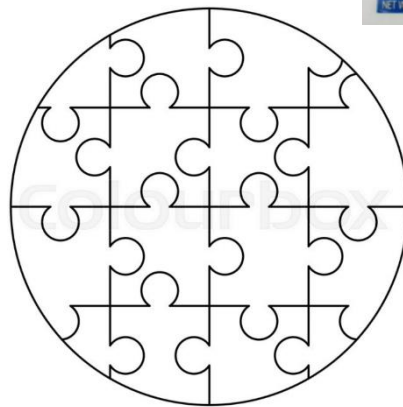
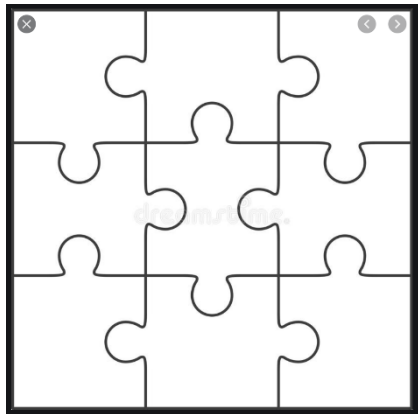
What is its favourite food?



# Holiday Fun Morning 11

## Make a Jigsaw

Cut out the front and back of the cereal box. Turn it over and draw on your jigsaw pieces. Cut them out and mix them up. Time yourself – how long does it take you to put them back together? Can you try different puzzle shapes – how about a round one?



## Send a postcard



Who would you send a postcard to if you could?

Could you write a postcard as a character from a book?

Can you write a postcard using a special code? How about letters to numbers (A=1, B=2) or symbols (A=?)

## Make a Matching Game



Draw circles using a cup or a mug as a template. Cut them out from different boxes/packets. Turn them over – can you make the sets back up. How quickly can you do it?



## Make a puppet box theatre

Open the cereal box right out. Draw a rectangle on the front and cut it out. This needs to be a bit like a TV screen.

On the side panel draw a thin rectangle – this is where your puppets will move.

Think about your scenery – a jungle, under the sea, up in the clouds. Make some characters – you can use pencils or straws or lollipop sticks. Draw and cut out your characters.

Join your box back together - What will your story be?



## Toy Transport

Can you design a car for a toy? Will it be a car, a train or a plane?



## Wonder weaving

Cut slits at the top and bottom. Use thread or string to make the loom. What can you weave through?



# Holiday Fun Morning 12

## Funky Family Olympics

### 1. Spider NINJA Assault Course



As you can see from the picture, once you have set this up, it's very straight forward. It will also give plenty for kids to laugh at when their mums and dads have a go!

#### Instructions:

1. Using tape, string or, if you have enough, toilet paper, set up a web between 2 walls. A hallway or the kitchen are good places to set this up.
2. Once set up, each person has a go at getting from one side to the other. They start with 10 points, but every time they touch the web, they lose a point. You can set a time limit for each person if you like. (Perhaps 60 seconds depending on the size of your web).
3. It's always fun to play some music in the background as each person does it. The rocky theme tune is a classic.

### 2. Footprint Hopscotch



You can set this up in any pattern you like, increasing the difficulty for older children.



Instructions:

1. Each person stands on a piece of card/paper/newspaper and draws around their feet. They then cut out the template they have just drawn.
2. Next, if you have enough card/paper, stick a pair of feet on a piece of card/paper.
3. Now arrange the sheets of paper/card in a pattern on the floor, change the direction the feet are pointing in, on each piece of card/paper. It helps to stick them to the floor with sellotape or bluetack if you have them.
4. Once set up, take it in turns to jump along the course, landing your feet in the position shown on each piece of card.
5. *When making the cards, you can draw around hands, cut them out and stick them down too. This is harder as you will need to keep your feet in place, then put your hands down if required and then, keeping your hands on the card, jump your feet onto the next position.*
6. You could time each person and give points for 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

### 3. 10 Pin Recycling Bowling



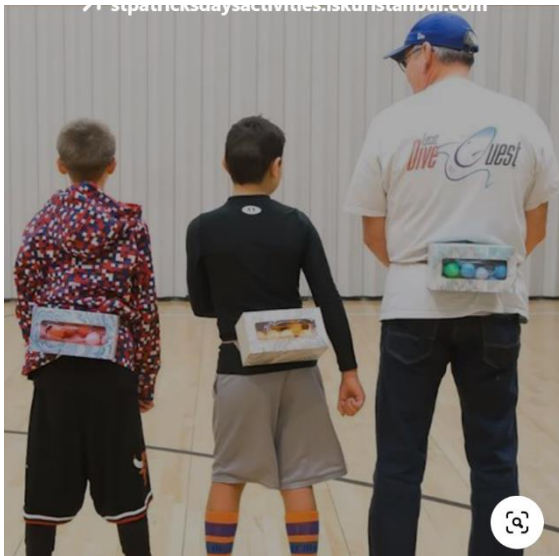
Many homes are not having their recycling collected at the moment so this is a good way to use up old plastic bottles.

Instructions:

1. Get as many old plastic bottles as you can. 10 is obviously the traditional amount. It helps to have a little water in the bottom to give them some weight, but if you do this, your bottle must have a lid that works.
2. Set the bottles out in a traditional triangle/arrowhead shape.
3. Use any ball you can find or make one from scrunched up paper or foil. Wetting the paper, a little, makes it easier to shape the ball into a smooth sphere. If you are using a home-made ball, then use less water in the bottles.
4. Use the score sheet below to record how many pins each person knocks on each attempt.

	Turn 1		Turn 2		Turn 3		Turn 4		Turn 5		Turn 6		Turn 7		Turn 8	
	1 <sup>st</sup> Bowl	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bowl	1 <sup>st</sup> Bowl	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bowl	1 <sup>st</sup> Bowl	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bowl	1 <sup>st</sup> Bowl	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bowl	1 <sup>st</sup> Bowl	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bowl	1 <sup>st</sup> Bowl	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bowl	1 <sup>st</sup> Bowl	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bowl	1 <sup>st</sup> Bowl	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bowl
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#### 4. Ball Shaker



This game has been shared on Social Media quite a lot and is great fun for the family. If you haven't got a tissue box, use any box and cut a hole in the top of it.

If you haven't got ping pong balls, you can make some with scrunched up paper or foil. Really you can put anything in the box so long as they are roughly the same size and you have 10-20 of them for each box.

##### Instructions:

1. Take a box with a hole in the top and put 10-20 balls inside. If you have only one box, you set a timer for each person (give at least 90 seconds) and count how many balls they can release in the set time.
2. Take your box with a hole in the top and tape or tie some string to opposite sides, making sure it is secured tightly.
3. Place the box at the base of your back, pass the string around your waist and tie at the front.
4. Now, when the timer starts, players must shake as many balls as they can out of the box.
5. When the time is up, count the number of balls released.
6. Give points to each player for the number of balls they release or gives points for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

## 5. Cardboard Hoopla



If you have some old loo roll or kitchen roll tubes, you can make some really cool Hoopla Posts.

If you like you can give a different number of points for each Hoopla Post.

The rings in this picture are made from paper plates but you can use any old cardboard packaging.

### Instructions:

1. Take a section of cardboard tubes, stand them upright on the floor or on a table, and tape them down.
2. Next, cut the centre from a paper plate to form a ring or cut a ring from some old cardboard packaging. You should aim to make between 4 and 6 rings.
3. You can decorate the posts and the rings as you please.
4. Put a line on the floor, a set distance from the posts, and take it in turns to throw the rings at the posts.
5. Award points for each ring securely hooked around the post.
6. Use the table below to record each person's score for each throw.

	Turn 1	Turn 2	Turn 3	Turn 4	Turn 5	Turn 6	Turn 7	Turn 8
Player 1								
Player 2								
Player 3								
Player 4								
Player 5								
Player 6								
Player 7								
Player 8								



## 6. Sling The Teabag



Most British homes have plenty of teabags and most children have a peaked cap/baseball cap at home.

This fun game combines the 2.

Instructions:

1. Take a couple of baseball caps, 4 teabags and 4 pieces of string about 30cm long.
2. Tape the ends of 2 pieces of string on opposite sides of each cap.
3. Next, tape the teabags to the ends of the pieces of string.
4. Set a timer for say 90 seconds. When the timer starts, the player must try to sling the teabag onto the peak of the cap.
5. Once a teabag lands on the peak, remove it and continue playing until the time is up.
6. Award a point for each teabag securely landed on the peak of the cap.

