



Do in class or use as a take-home paper!

Games with Friends

Romanian kids like to get together with friends at school or in the neighborhood to play games and have races. Try these games with your friends.

WATER AND FIRE

You can play this game in a room or outdoors where there are places to hide a small object.

You will need:

- 4 or more players
- A small object to hide, like a block or toy

Choose one player to go out of the room or away from the area so he or she cannot watch.

Hide the object, then call the “seeker” back. As he or she hunts for the object, the other players say “Water” when the seeker is far from the object, and “Fire” when he or she gets close.

Once the seeker finds the hidden object, he or she chooses the next seeker to continue the game.

LITTLE BIRDS

This is an outdoor game that you should play on a cement area, such as a driveway.

You will need:

- At least 5 players
- Chalk

Count how many players there are, then use the chalk to draw circles—one less than the numbers of players—several steps from each other. The circles should be large enough to stand in. Every child except one stands in the middle of a circle. They are the “birdies” in their “nests.” The player who is “it” is free to walk around. He or she then says:

“Every little bird should move into another nest!”

The birdies must then change their nests, and “it” also tries to jump into a nest. The birdie that is left without a nest becomes “it” for the next round.

PUT IT ON THE CHAIR!

This is a game that you can play indoors or outdoors.

You will need:

- 4 players
- 4 chairs
- 4 blindfolds
- 16 shoes

Place a chair in each of the four corners of the play area, facing the center. In the center, pile the 16 shoes. Each player sits in a chair and puts on a blindfold. At a signal, all four players run to the shoes, take ONE each, and take them back to their chairs. They then return to the pile for the next shoe. The winner is the first to set 4 shoes on his or her chair.