



Gathering Games

SNAIL TRAIL

A talking and sharing game for children over the age of 6.
Needs 6 or more players. Can be played inside or outside.

Find a ball of string or wool. Have everyone stand in a circle. Pick one child to go first; give them the wool and have them begin describing their day from when they woke up. What they saw, what they ate, where they went and so on. It can be real or exaggerated! When they say something ("I took my dog for a walk" for example) that someone else in the circle has in common, the second child will shout "Dingalingaling". The first child holds onto the end of the wool and throws the ball of wool to the other. The second child will begin describing their day. Repeat until everyone has gone, and the wool has created a web between all the children. Repeat the game with varying topics such as likes, dislikes, colours you are wearing, favourite foods or animals etc.

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LUCK OF THE DRAW

A simple drawing game for 2 or more players.
You will need several small sheets of paper (which can be scrap or repurposed) and some pens.

Here is a silly drawing games that is a lot of fun for children to play. In this drawing game, you use dice to decide which parts of the drawing you will draw. The players take turns to throw the dice. The numbers on the dice indicate that you must draw;

- 1 A head and face
- 2 Hands
- 3 Arms and legs
- 4 Hair or a hat
- 5 Feet
- 6 The body, neck to hips

The drawing might become a person, or perhaps an animal or mythical creature such as a dragon. As the dice rolls, each player draws on their paper but each drawing remains communal. The drawings are handed over to be added to by the opposite players. Many drawings will be growing at the same time. If, for example a 5 is thrown repeatedly then each time a new paper must be used to draw more feet. The challenge is to try and complete drawings before too many new ones are started! (or add 2 more feet so that the drawing becomes a 4 footed thing!) With each dice throw the players must find a drawing that still needs completing with their numbered body part. See what amazing characters you invent on the paper!

