

Truly Interactive Games

Installment #2



Patriotic Flag Race

A patriotic game perfect for large groups sitting in chairs.!

MATERIALS: One small American flag for each group of 10 folks. In the past I have used the larger ones that have a stick that is 2' long but it takes up a lot of space. Therefore, I use smaller ones. Bring five to six extra flags in case you would like to have fewer people in each group. CD or Ipod player. Suggested song, "It's a Grand Old Flag" or other patriotic march!

TIME FOR GAME: 3-5 minutes. However, set-up if seats need to be arranged, takes longer.

SET-UP: Arrange chairs in rows.

ACTIVITY: Give a small flag to one end of each row. Tell them that when you start the music and say "GO" they are to stand, raise the flag, salute, sit down and pass the flag to the next person. The flag that gets to the end of the row first is the winner. Each person must do all these or the flag goes back to the beginning of the row. You may want to use a whistle to mark when the flag arrives at the end. After the game is over announce that the flag goes back the other way, so they have another chance to win.



Progressive Storytelling

An old campfire storytelling technique that uses everyone in the group and brings out the creativity in everyone!

MATERIALS: None

TIME FOR GAME: 10 - 30 minutes

SET-UP: None

Activity:

Version A - Tell the group that they are all going to tell the story of the Big Bad Wolf and the 3 Little Pigs. However, the story will be told one word at a time. You start with the word “Once” and point to the person on your left. It is fascinating to see how the story evolves as each person is relieved to be able to fit their word in. The challenge is for the next person to carry on the story. It is as if all minds are thinking alike, striving to tell the story as accurately as possible.

Version B - Another concept is to have each person contribute anything from three lines to a short paragraph. (Limits must be set ahead of time.) You can use an old story like the Big Bad Wolf and change it around or make one up as you go along. A favorite way to start is “It was a dark and stormy night...”



This is a really fun activity that your kids will love! If you are interested in a program of magic and FUN, look no further than 4 ACE PRODUCTIONS with none other than yours truly...Brian Richards. For more information go to:

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