

WORK AND PLAY SECTION

Some Outdoor Games

1. *Poison Snake*

TEN to twenty players stand in a circle with hands joined. A volley ball, basket ball, baseball bat, or any similar object is placed in the center of the circle, and the object of the game is to have the players in the circle pull each other into the center so as to touch the object. Those who touch it are out of the game.

This game is sometimes rough, so if possible it is well to have separate circles for the boys and girls. Teach the players to jump over the "poison snake" in order to avoid it, and to relax the pull suddenly in order to make some other player touch the object.

The hands must be clasped throughout the game. When several have been eliminated from one circle, they may start another circle.

2. *Partner Tag*

In this game, all the players except *It* and another player, who is called the *Runner*, take partners and hook arms. The *Runner* will be chased by *It*. If the *Runner*, while being chased by *It*, hooks your partner's arm, you become the *Runner*. Then

you have a chance to hook some other player's arm before you are tagged. But if you are tagged, then you will be the *It* and the former *It* will be the *Runner*. The other players try to avoid the *Runner* if they can.

3. *Cross-Foot Tag*

Any number of boys or girls can play this game. The *It* runs after a player and tries to tag him or her. The player who fails to cross his feet is tagged and will be the next *It*. The first *It* then joins the other players. No player can be tagged as long as he keeps his feet crossed.

4. *Twenty Times Round*

Have the players form two rings with their backs to the center of the circle. At a given signal they run around in a circle twenty times. The object of this game is to see which circle can turn around

twenty times without first having their line break.

5. *Hopping Over*

Face the wall in a standing position. Put your left toes against the wall about two feet up from the floor. Try to hop over your left leg with your right without taking your toes away from the wall.



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