**Balloon Stomp**

This game is really hilarious when played.

**What You Will Need**

Balloons and string.

**How to Play**

* The Setup: Blow up the balloons. Cut the string into pieces three to four feet long. Tie one end of each string to a balloon. Tie the other end around a participant’s leg. Continue until everyone who wants to play has a balloon tied to one leg.
* Mark off the play area. Gather the participants in the play area and shout “Go!” Participants try to pop the other players’ balloons by stomping on them. You can vary the rules by instructing participants to keep their hands behind their backs. When a biscuit falls, the player is eliminated.

**People Required to Play the Game**

There can be any number of players..

**How to Decide the Winner**

The winner is the last player whose balloon is intact.

**Pom-Pom Curling**

This tabletop tournament is loosely based on curling, the granite-stone-sliding, broom- brushing game played on ice

**What You Will Need**

You'll need two sets of three pom-poms and several drinking straws. Print out our target template, below, and tape it to the end of a rectangular table. Mark a boundary line a few inches away with painter's tape, as shown

**How to Play**

* The first team picks two players to hold drinking straws and sit on either side of the table, and one bowler, who stands at the end opposite the target.
* The bowler rolls a pom-pom toward the target, and the straw- holders blow through their straws to direct the pom-pom's path.
* Once the pom-pom crosses the tape line, the straw-holders must stop blowing and let it roll to a stop.
* The second team's bowler then rolls her pom-pom, steered by her team's straw-holders. (You're allowed to knock the other team? pom-pom with yours.)
* Teams alternate turns until all six pom-poms have been bowled.

**Number of People Required to Play the Game**

 Divide into two teams of three(if you have fewer than six players, you can rotate positions so that each person gets a turn as the bowler).

**How to Decide the Winner**

The first team to a predetermined number of points wins.

**THIN ICE**

The die adds an element of chance to this suspenseful game of strategy and skill.

**What You Will Need**

Use a rubber band to secure a facial tissue tautly over the top of a mug. Place a quarter on the tissue.

**How to Play**

* Taking turns, players roll a die and use a sharpened pencil to poke the designated number of holes through the tissue. If you break the ice and send the quarter into the mug, you're out.

**Number of People Required to Play the Game**

2-3 people.

**How to Decide the Winner**

Replace the tissue and continue playing until one winner remains.

**Three Legged Race**

The Three Legged Race is probably the first thing most people think of when they think of picnic games. It’s a classic, and for good reason — it’s easy to understand, most people can do it, and it’s a whole lot of fun. Not to mention the fun grown-ups will have, watching the little ones learn to walk on three legs instead of two.

**What You Will Need**

String, bandanas, or strips of fabric.

**How to Play**

* The Setup: Group participants in pairs. Have participants stand side by side at the starting line, one arm around the other person’s shoulders, and tie their inside legs together securely.
* Shout “Go!” Pairs of participants will run together toward the finish line

**People Required to Play the Game**

**2 team +**

**How to Decide the Winner**

The race is over when the first pair crosses the finish line. This team wins.

**Water Balloon Dodgeball**

This is one of those fun games for teenagers and family who don’t mind getting hit by flying objects or getting wet.

**What You Will Need**

Balloons, a water source, one or more buckets.

**How to Play**

* The Setup: Fill up enough balloons to fill one or more buckets, depending on how your bunch likes to play. Some people like to play with a single ball-thrower. Others enjoy having one or more on each end of the playing area. We recommend having a lot more balloons than you need, because chances are, this will devolve into an all-out water balloon fight at some point.
* Standard dodgeball rules: One person (or one person on each side) hurls a water balloon at the people on the playing field, trying to hit them. If a balloon hits a player, they are out and must leave the playing field.

**People Required to Play the Game**

There can be any number of players..

**How to Decide the Winner**

The last player standing (not hit by a balloon) is the winner.

**Whee Ball**

Inspired by the arcade classic Skee-Ball, this game doesn't dispense prize tickets, but it's just as much fun to play--and no tokens required!

**What You Will Need**

Find a square box (ours is 14 inches on a side) and cut the top at an angle, as shown.

Tape a cardboard ramp to the front edge.

Paint the box, if you like.

Set the bottom of an egg carton in the rear of the box.

**How to Play**

* From a spot several feet away from the box, players take turns rolling 12 Ping-Pong or golf balls up the ramp, trying to land them in the egg carton. After their roll, they count up their score and gather the balls for the next player

**People Required to Play the Game**

There can be any number of players..

**How to Decide the Winner**

Highest score wins the round.