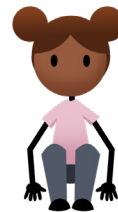


Zapper

EQUIPMENT & MATERIALS:
Large open space



Instructions

1. Ask the children to stand in a large circle with at least two metres between them.
2. Choose one child to stand in the middle: they are the “zapper.”
3. The zapper turns around slowly in the middle of the circle, preparing to “zap” one child in the circle.
4. When the zapper suddenly points at a child and says, “Zap,” that child must quickly crouch down.
5. The children on each side of the zapped child must then zap each other. The first child to zap the other remains standing, and the other must sit out.
6. The crouching child stands up and rejoins the game, unless they forgot to crouch and were caught in the “crossfire” of the other two children.
7. The game gets more difficult as children are eliminated because it becomes more difficult to pay attention to who is “beside” you. For example, if the next child beside you is standing on the other side of the circle, you must be ready for a zap battle if they are zapped.
8. When only two children remain, they stand back-to-back with at least one metre between them. The zapper then specifies a special word that will trigger the next zap battle. The zapper proceeds to tell a story, and the two remaining children start walking in opposite directions. When the zapper uses the special word in the story, the two children must turn around quickly and try to zap each other.