

Stir the Porridge

A great game to get young people moving and very funny once it gets going!

What is needed:

1 or 2 rolled up newspapers, stuck together to hold it in place A bucket

The game starts with one person in the middle of a circle. Everyone else has a chair arranged in a circle. The person in the middle has the rolled up newspaper in the bucket. The middle person must stir the 'porridge' in the bucket using the newspaper. They then must tap any person sitting down using the newspaper, put the newspaper in the bucket and steal their seat! Once an individual is tapped they must try and collect the newspaper from the bucket and tap the middle person back before their chair is stolen. The middle person can move the bucket anywhere in the circle so even once they have tapped someone they can hold the newspaper in the bucket and travel with the bucket to make it easier for them to sit down. To allow the middle person to steal a seat, they must ensure the newspaper is in the bucket and the bucket doesn't tip over, because that would spill the porridge! If your seat gets stolen, you are next to tap someone and win a seat!

We introduced a second newspaper in so there are 2 people trying to win a seat at a time. This worked really well when we did it with around 15 taking part in the game.