

HOPSCOTCH

Hopscotch is a children's game that can be played with several players or alone. Hopscotch is a popular playground game in which players toss a small object into numbered triangles or a pattern of rectangles outlined on the ground and then hop or



jump through the spaces to retrieve the object.

Hopscotch is an old traditional game that still brings loads of fun and laughter in school yards everywhere. With these easy steps you can create your own hopscotch at home, inside or out!

What you need

- chalk or masking tape
- markers for each person playing - pebble, bottle cap, shell, button, etc.

Activity

- Use chalk to draw a hopscotch pattern on the ground
- Create a diagram with eight sections and number them.
- Each player has a marker such as a stone, bottlecap, shell, button, etc.
- The first player stands behind the starting line to toss his or her marker in square one.
- Hop over square one to square two and then continue hopping to square eight, turn around, and hop back again.
- Pause in square two to pick up the marker, hop in square one, and out.
- Then continue by tossing the stone in square two.
- All hopping is done on one foot unless the hopscotch design is such that two squares are side-by-side.
- Then two feet can be placed down with one in each square.
- A player must always hop over any square where a marker has been placed.
- **Getting out:** A player is out if the marker fails to land in the proper square, the hopper steps on a line, the hopper loses balance when bending over to pick up the marker and puts a second hand or foot down, the hopper goes into a square where a marker is, or if a player puts two feet down in a single box.



- The player puts the marker in the square where he or she will resume playing on the next turn, and the next player begins.

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