



CHICKEN CROSSING SET UP & RULES

BIG GAMES

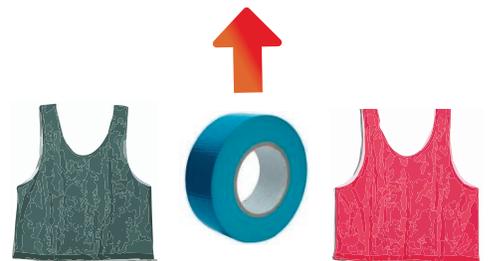
Children will use team work to figure out how the chickens can cross the road.

Age Appropriateness:

- 5 & up

Learning Skills:

- Team Building
- Critical Thinking
- Problem Solving



PREPARATION

- Use duct tape to create a 1 x 7 grid, like the one above. Make sure each square is large enough for a person. About an 18 inch square will work.

ACTION

- With everyone wearing their colored pinnies, arrange the players in the configuration above to match the chickens.
- Instruct players to figure out how to each get to the opposite side without more than one player occupying each space, and without anyone leaving the grid.
- Chickens move forward only
- A chicken may move forward to an open space
- A chicken may jump over another chicken to an open space
- When all chickens have crossed the road to the other side, it's a WIN!
- If you get stuck, reset and try again.

Materials:

- Large tarp or cleared area to play
- Duct tape
- Scissors
- 3 red pinnies
- 3 green pinnies
- Chicken Crossing challenges
- 6 players

Action Time:

- 1 hour

REFLECTION: Lead a discussion to talk about what players did well or could have done better in trying to solve the puzzle. Challenge players to change their strategy to solve faster the next time.