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Project Aim

This was a short project for European Day of Languages, to share information about the activities and games that our children play in the school playground. The children were able to discover whether they have activities which are specific to their own country and culture or whether they have games in common with their European neighbours.

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France

Ecole Marcel Pagnol, Saint-Blaise



There are three classes in the school:

- maternelle: pre-elementary

-CP, CE, CE2: 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade

-CM1, CM: 4th and 5th grade (it's our class)





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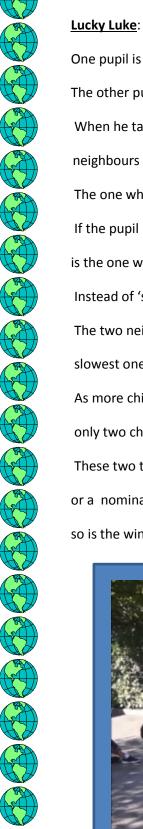
The village of Saint-Blaise is situated in the Alpes-Maritimes (Provence region) in the south-east of France at 14 km from Nice, the department capital.

(General information: Saint-Blaise is 674 km from Paris).





Games from France – Maria Kragerud and pupils



One pupil is 'Lucky Luke', the cowboy, known to 'shoot faster than his shadow'.

The other pupils make a circle around 'him' and he turns around in the centre.

When he takes aim and shoots a pupil in the outside circle, this pupil has to sit down and his neighbours (the two children either side of him) have to aim at each other and shoot.

The one who is shot first is 'dead' and has to sit down, and doesn't play anymore.

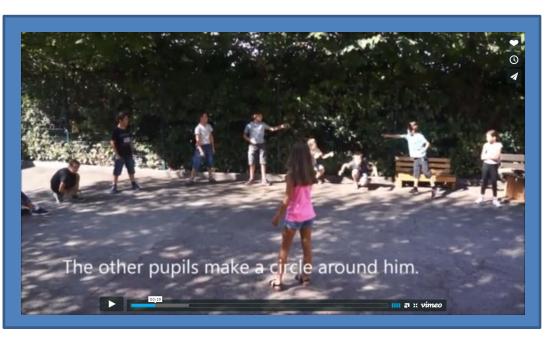
If the pupil in the middle of these two (the original target) doesn't sit down fast enough, he (or she) is the one who is 'dead'.

Instead of 'shooting', Lucky Luke can also shout the name of a child, who has to sit down.

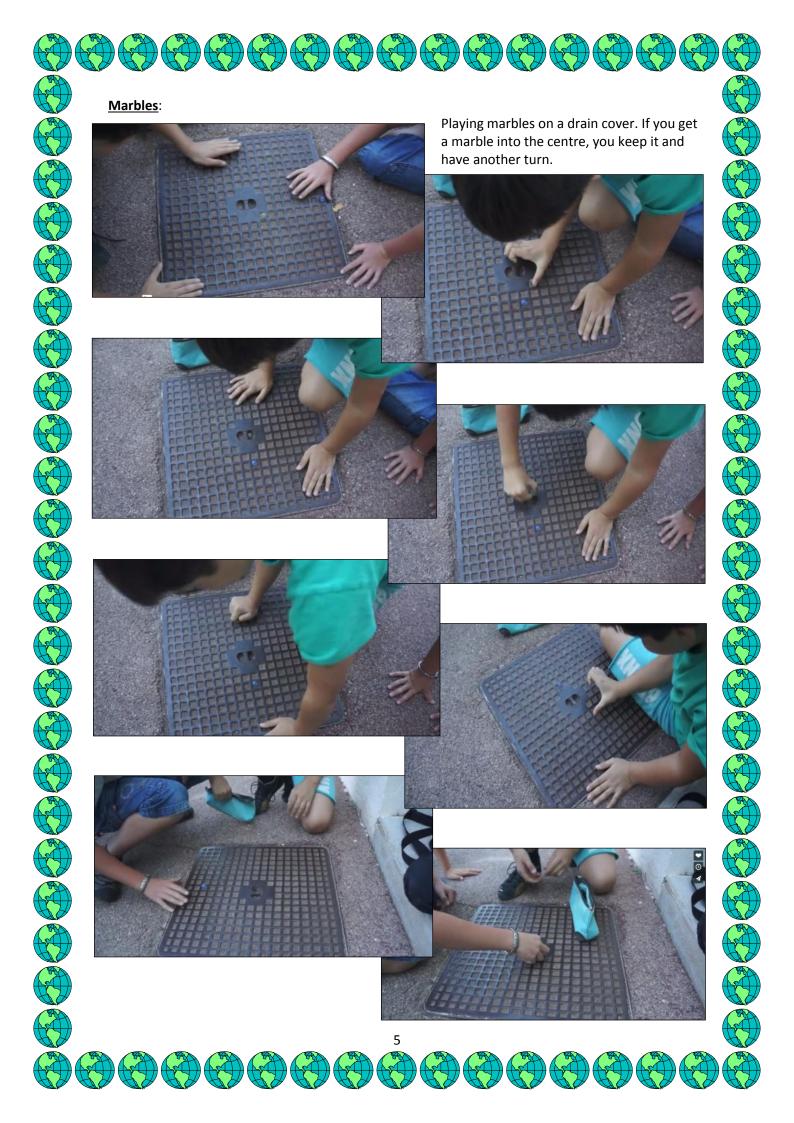
The two neighbours on either side of that child then have to call out the other ones name and the slowest one to do so has to sit down, and out of the game, as before.

As more children sit out of the game, the gap between the 'neighbours' will increase, until there are only two children left.

These two then stand back to back and Lucky Luke tells a short story. When he says the word "pan", or a nominated word in your language, the two must turn and shoot each other and the first to do so is the winner.







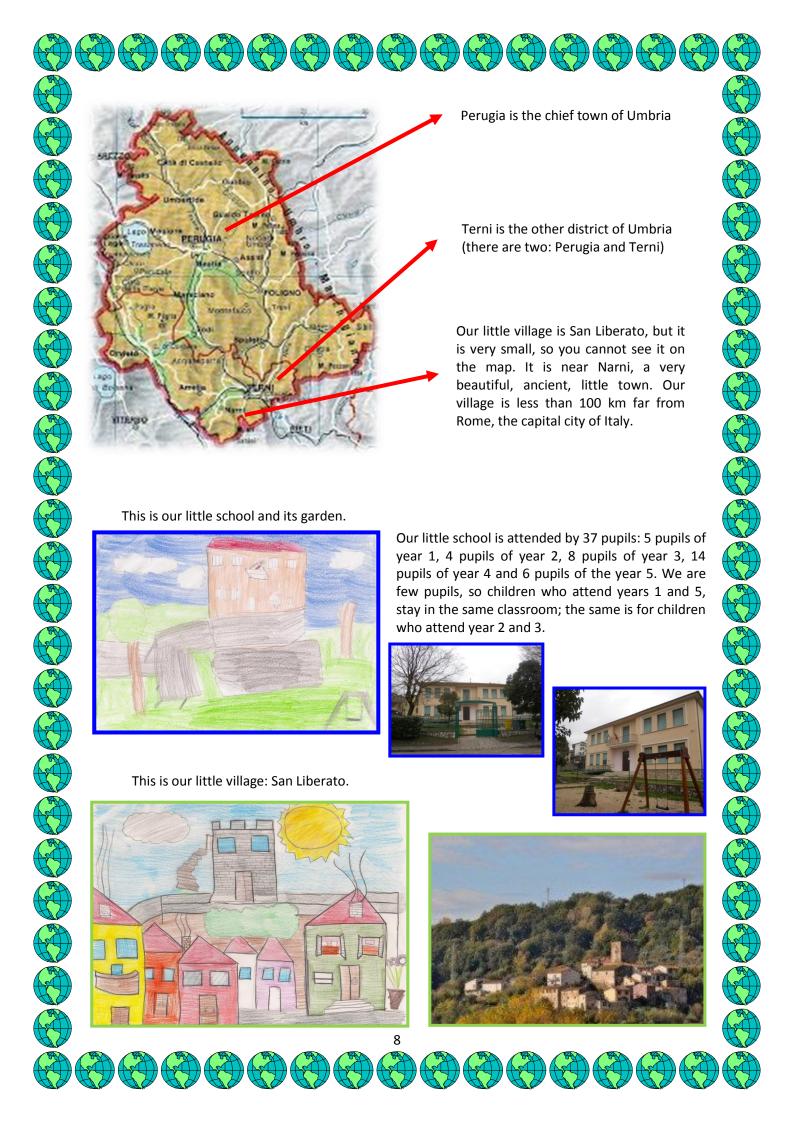


Boomwhackers:

Making tunes with boomwhackers is a fun thing to do





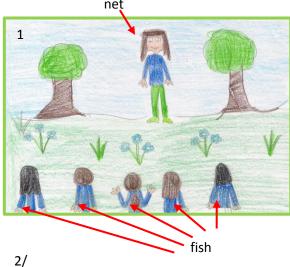




Game from Italy - Barbara Rasile and pupils

Net and Fishes

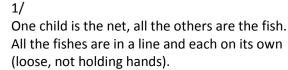
When we go in the school garden, during the break, we often play this game. We often play all together, all the children of our school: year 1, year 2, year 3, year 4 and year 5. WE LIKE IT REALLY VERY MUCH!!



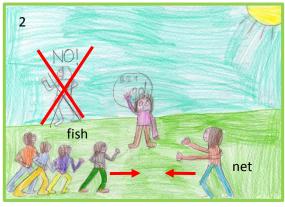
At the start, the fish run ahead and the same is for the net. No one can turn back!



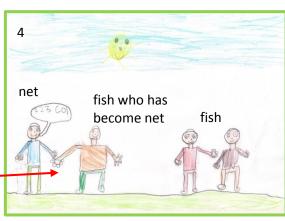
The fish who are caught hold the net's hand and become themselves a bigger net. The game restarts like at the beginning, so the fish and the net are on the opposite sides, in two lines:, the net holding hands and the fish each on their own.



The net is on the opposite side of the fish and at the beginning is alone.



The net has to catch the fish (by touching them).



5/ You have to continue in this way until only one fish remains. That person is the winner!!

























Poland

Szkoła Podstawowa nr 6 im. Mikołaja Kopernika, Inowrocław





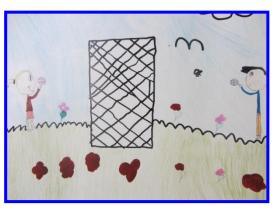


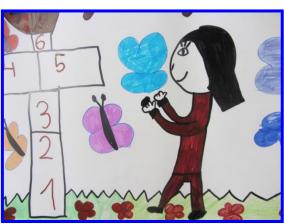
Games from Poland -Adriana Dobecka and pupils

Skipping, hula hoop, hopscotch, tennis and playground equipment











Szkoła Podstawowa, nr 32 w Toruniu, Toruń

We are a primary school in Poland. We live in Torun, a beautiful city by the Vistula River. We are in class 6 b and c. There are 46 students in our two classes . Our English teacher is Kasia Zajączkowska.

We meet three times a week and we learn English.

Our school is big. There are 600 students and 50 teachers. There are many classrooms, a canteen, a school playground, three gyms (one inside and two outside).

Our city, Torun is really beautiful. It's very old. There are many fantastic monuments, old buildings, and churches. Nicolaus Copernicus was born here. Our city is also famous for our delicious gingerbreads. You should try it!







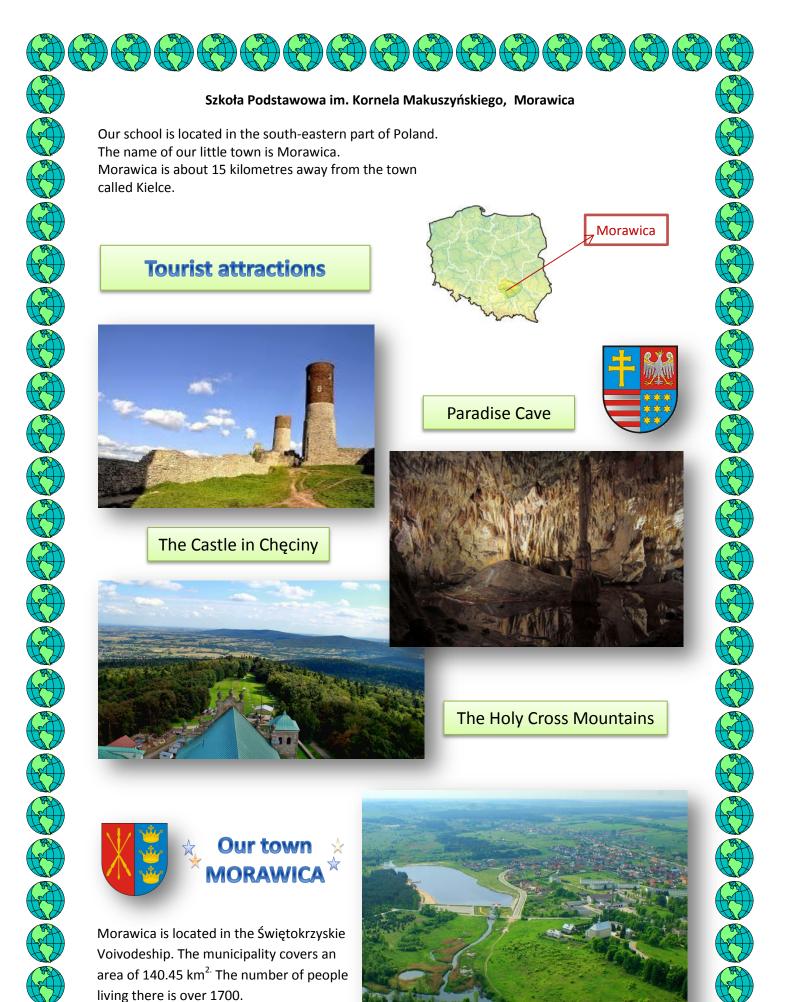
On 6 December 1997, during the 21st plenary session of the UNESCO World Heritage Committee in Naples, the Medieval Town of Toruń was listed among UNESCO World Cultural and Natural Heritage sites.







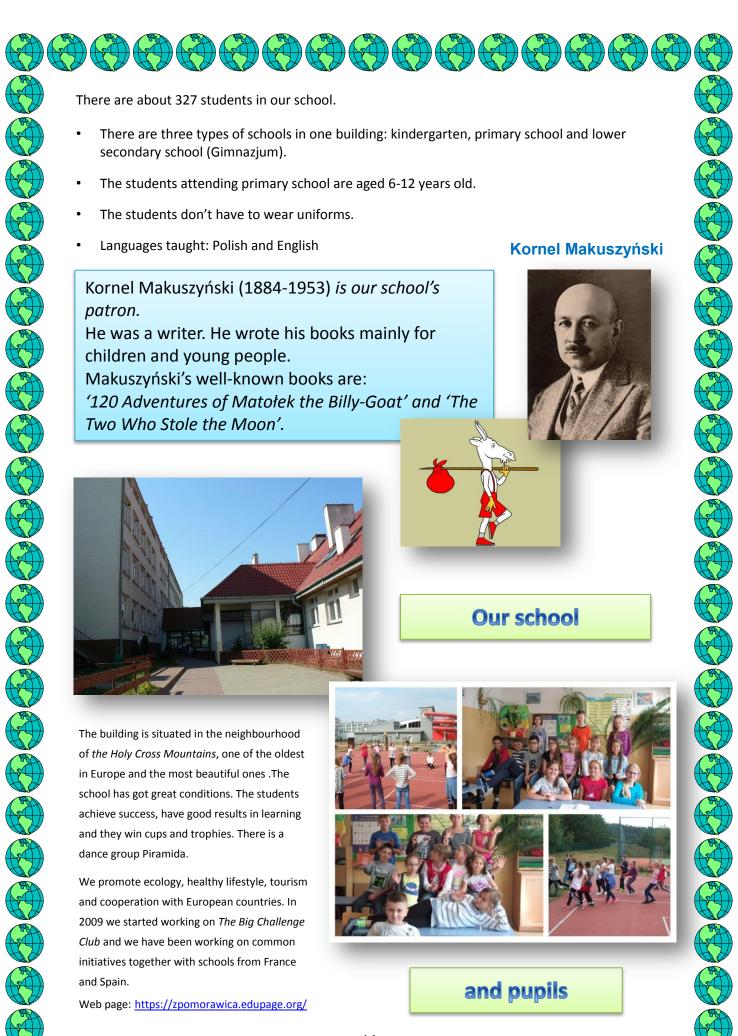


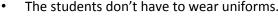




Morawica is located in the Świętokrzyskie Voivodeship. The municipality covers an area of 140.45 km^{2.} The number of people living there is over 1700.







Languages taught: Polish and English

Kornel Makuszyński (1884-1953) is our school's

He was a writer. He wrote his books mainly for children and young people.

Makuszyński's well-known books are:

'120 Adventures of Matołek the Billy-Goat' and 'The

Two Who Stole the Moon'.

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Our school

The building is situated in the neighbourhood of the Holy Cross Mountains, one of the oldest in Europe and the most beautiful ones .The school has got great conditions. The students achieve success, have good results in learning and they win cups and trophies. There is a dance group Piramida.

We promote ecology, healthy lifestyle, tourism and cooperation with European countries. In 2009 we started working on The Big Challenge Club and we have been working on common initiatives together with schools from France and Spain.

Web page: https://zpomorawica.edupage.org/



and pupils













































Games from Poland - Anna Litwin and pupils





NAME OF THE GAME:

NUMBER OF PLAYERS:

AGE OF PLAYERS:

WHERE IT IS PLAYED:

EQUIPMENT NEEDED:

Stary niedźwiedź mocno śpi - An old bear is fast asleep

At least 6 players

3-12 years old

Classroom, pitch, playground, gym

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THE RULES OF THE GAME/ INSTRUCTION



The rules of the game.

- 1. The children choose the person who will be the bear which must squat in the middle of the circle and also pretend to sleep.
- The children sing and walk around the bear on their toes in order not to wake him up. They sing:

"The old bear is sleeping hard
The old bear is sleeping hard
We walk on our tiptoes as we're afraid of him
When he'd wake up, he would eat us"
(They start counting and pointing at the bear)
"The first hour, the bear sleeps
The second hour, the bear catches!"



Option1

While the words: "The third hour, the bear catches", the bear gets up and tries to grab the children who must run away. The caught child goes to the circle to play the bear's role. The game starts again.



Option 2

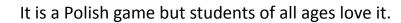
The participants of the game are squatting fast and meanwhile the bear must catch the person who is slower and doesn't manage to stand up after squatting on time. The person caught by the bear goes to the circle and play the bear's role.







Tomato





How to play it?

Everyone sits in a circle. One volunteer must be in the centre of it. He or she asks different questions. They may be funny. The only answer allowed is 'Tomato'. The game is over when the player doesn't say 'tomato' or starts laughing.

'Buying' things

The person who starts laughing or says something different must give one thing to 'Tomato' person.

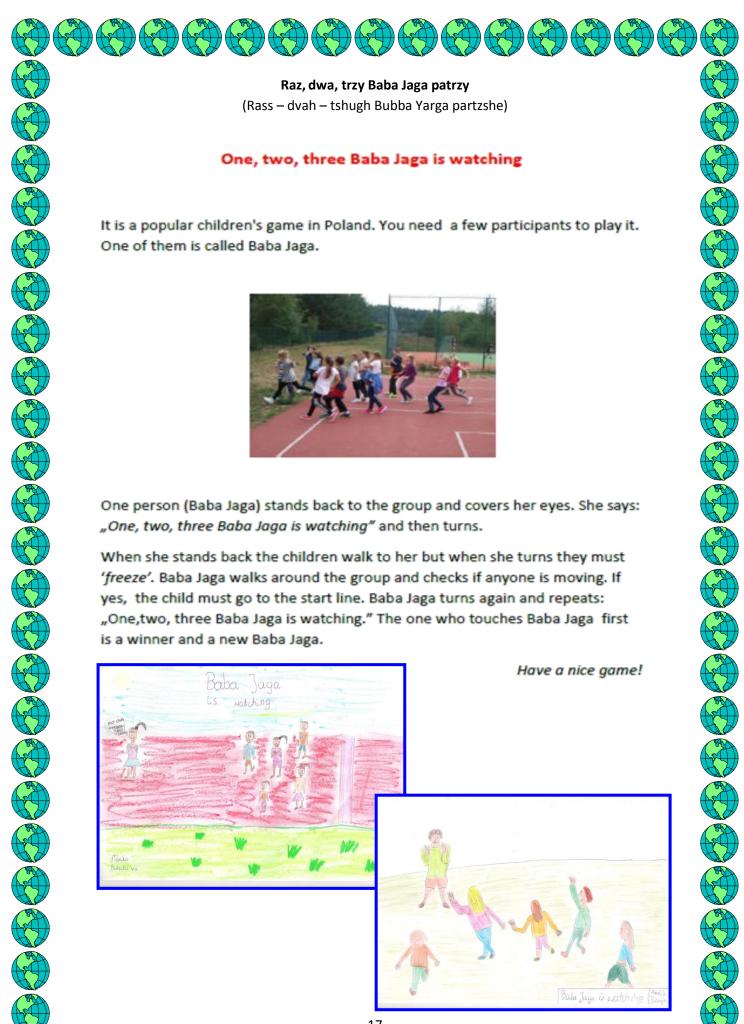
At the end of the game all participants must 'buy back' their things such as toys, a pencil, etc. They must perform one particular task, for example singing a song, or doing some simple gymnastic exercises.



Enjoy the game!







Raz, dwa, trzy Baba Jaga patrzy

(Rass – dvah – tshugh Bubba Yarga partzshe)

One, two, three Baba Jaga is watching

It is a popular children's game in Poland. You need a few participants to play it. One of them is called Baba Jaga.



One person (Baba Jaga) stands back to the group and covers her eyes. She says: "One, two, three Baba Jaga is watching" and then turns.

When she stands back the children walk to her but when she turns they must 'freeze'. Baba Jaga walks around the group and checks if anyone is moving. If yes, the child must go to the start line. Baba Jaga turns again and repeats: "One,two, three Baba Jaga is watching." The one who touches Baba Jaga first is a winner and a new Baba Jaga.

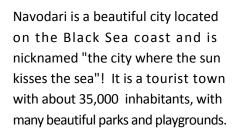


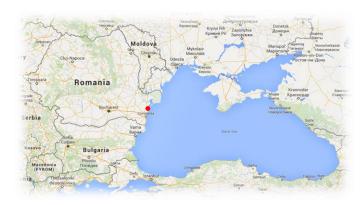




Romania

Gradinita cu program prelungit, "Lumea florilor" Navodari. Kindergarten 'World of Flowers'









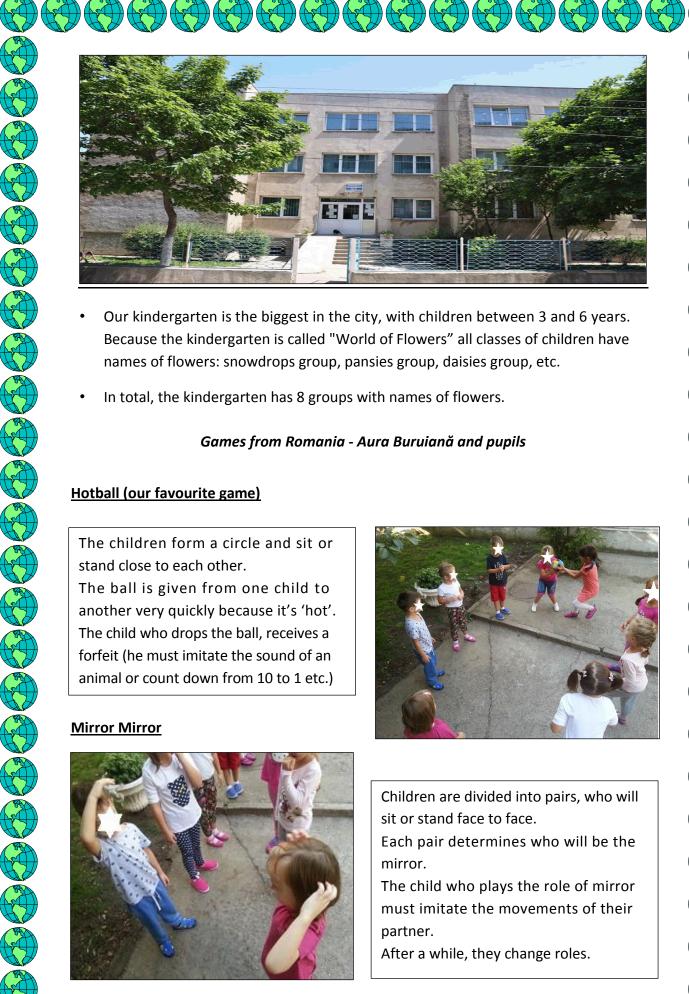




Out and about in Navodari









- Our kindergarten is the biggest in the city, with children between 3 and 6 years. Because the kindergarten is called "World of Flowers" all classes of children have names of flowers: snowdrops group, pansies group, daisies group, etc.
- In total, the kindergarten has 8 groups with names of flowers.

Games from Romania - Aura Buruiană and pupils

Hotball (our favourite game)

The children form a circle and sit or stand close to each other.

The ball is given from one child to another very quickly because it's 'hot'. The child who drops the ball, receives a forfeit (he must imitate the sound of an animal or count down from 10 to 1 etc.)



Mirror Mirror



Children are divided into pairs, who will sit or stand face to face.

Each pair determines who will be the mirror.

The child who plays the role of mirror must imitate the movements of their partner.

After a while, they change roles.



The Bear and the Woodcutters

The game is played with up to four players. All players are woodcutters, spread through the playground and begin to mimic cutting wood and storing it.

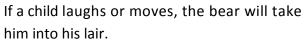
One child is chosen to be the bear. His lair is near the playground. At one point, the bear comes out slowly, humming.





The woodcutters must remain motionless (as they say, "if you don't move, the bear does not touch you...!")

The bear tried to make them laugh ... (sniff them, do all kinds of nice faces, sounds, etc.)



The game continues until only one lumberjack remains.

He or she is the winner and can be the bear in the next round of play.



Hopscotch

Our hopscotch design on the ground has numbers from 1 to 8. The first player tosses a marker (stone or coin etc.) into the first square; it must land within the confines of the square without bouncing out or touching a line.

The player then hops through the course, making sure to skip the square with the marker in it. Players hop in single squares with one foot (either foot is fine), and use two feet for the side by side squares, one in each square. Upon completion of the hop sequence, the player continues his or her turn, tossing the marker into square number two and repeating the pattern. Loss of turn occurs when a player steps on a line, misses a square when throwing the marker, or loses balance. Players begin their next turn where they last left off.

































Our school is called Elementary School Mirna. There are about 250 students at our school. Their age is from 6 to 15. We can play sports in a big gym or on the outdoor playground. You can borrow books at the library. Our school is not very big but it's nice. Students don't wear uniforms but they must wear slippers instead of shoes.







Game from Slovenia - Marija Klančar and pupils

Rotten Egg

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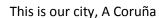


Our game is very simple and it's called THE ROTTEN EGG. Children form a circle and they squat. One person goes around the circle of children and he or she drops a handkerchief behind a random student. This student then has to stand up and chase the first student before he/she takes his/her place. If he/she catches the first one, the first one has to sit in the middle of the circle. The one who sits in the middle is called the rotten egg. The student has to wait for another student to get caught.



Spain

Ceip Victor López Seoane, A Coruña









The Hercules Tower, which was named by UNESCO as a World Heritage site.



A Coruña is in the northwest corner of Spain.

Maria Pita square is the meeting point of the city and a great place to people watch.



There is also:



an historic Celtic fortification, the Castro de Elviña



and a museum dedicated to the human species.











The name of our school comes from a very important biologist called Víctor López Seoane.

He was from A Coruña our city.















Games from Spain - Belén Rioz and pupils

Spinning Top Day

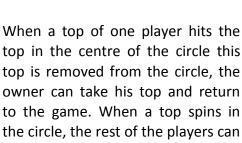


Rules: A circle is drawn on the floor. Each player throws his top without an order.



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The tops have to land in the circle and spin. If a top doesn't land in the circle or doesn't spin, the player has to put his top in the centre of the circle where it can be hit by the tops of the rest of the players.



hit it with their tops.





When a top spinning goes out the circle by itself or because it's hit by another top, it can be recovered by his owner. So, it's possible to find two or more tops in the circle at the same time.

Other games can be played with the tops, such as whose top can spin for the longest?





Four Corners Game - Las cuatro esquinas

One person stands in the middle and the other kids in the corners have to move to change places.



The boy or girl who stands in the middle has to catch them.



The corners are safe.





United Kingdom - Wales

Ysgol Bro Tawe, Ystradgynlais

We are in a small town called Ystradgynlais in South Wales, in Great Britain. Our nearest city is Swansea (about 20 mins away.) We are in the county of Powys.



Ystradgynlais



Our uniform









Our school mascot

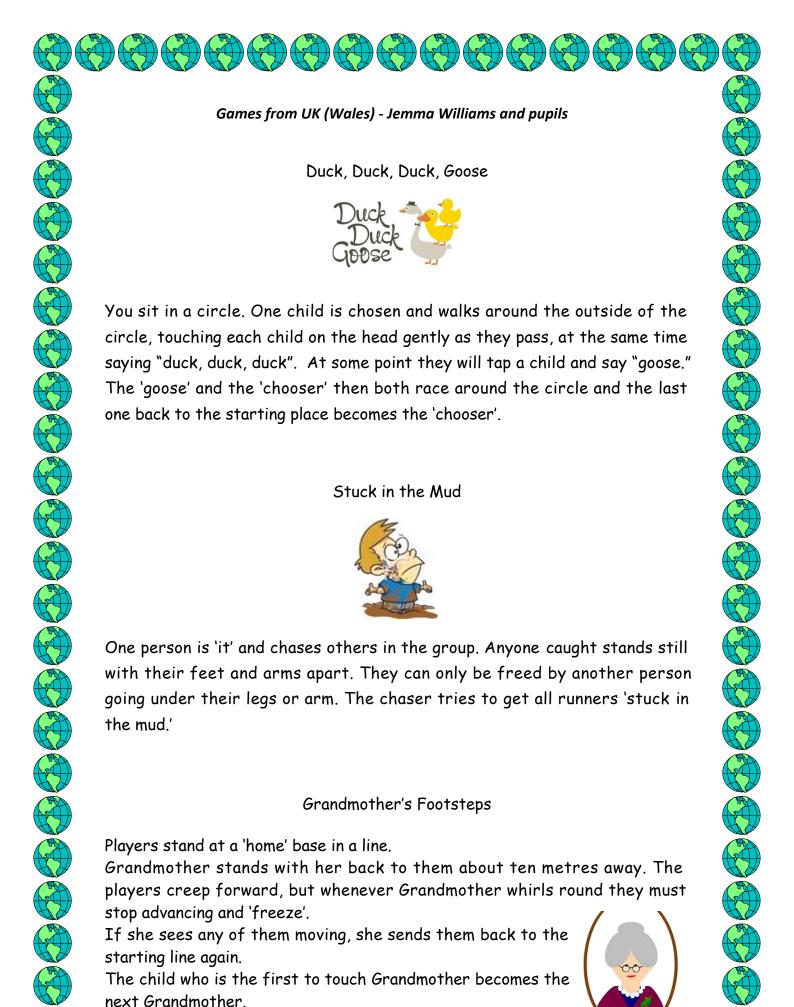
Brodie is our school mascot. He is our Rights Respecting Bear. He reminds us about the Rights all children should have!

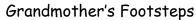






Our school





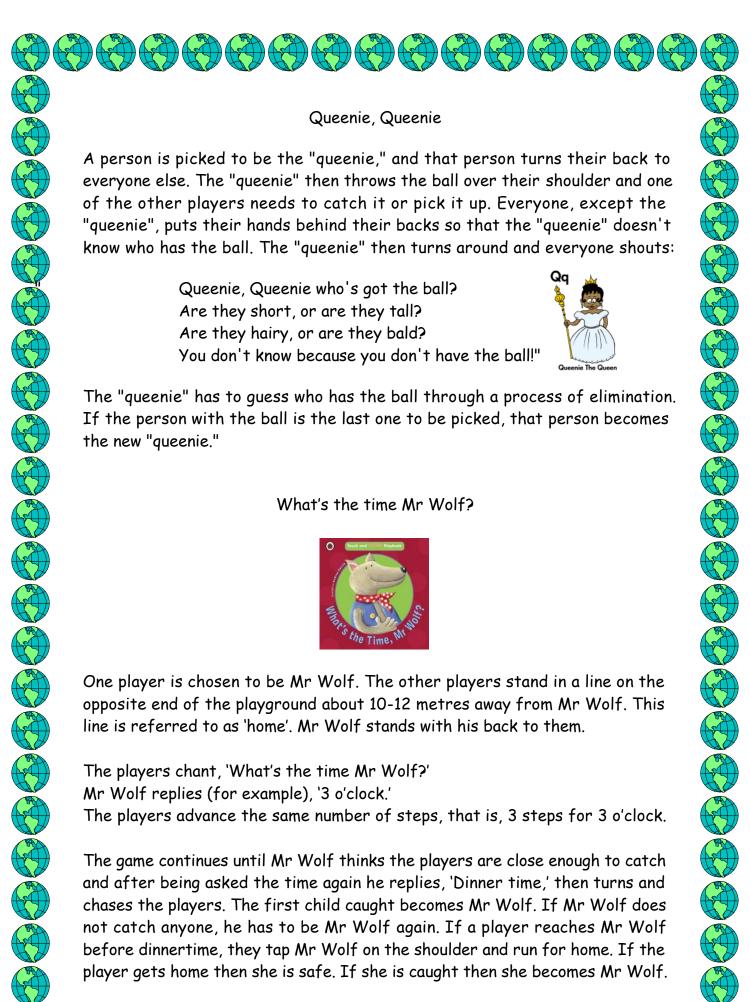
Players stand at a 'home' base in a line.

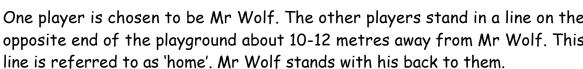
Grandmother stands with her back to them about ten metres away. The players creep forward, but whenever Grandmother whirls round they must stop advancing and 'freeze'.

If she sees any of them moving, she sends them back to the starting line again.

The child who is the first to touch Grandmother becomes the next Grandmother.







The players chant, 'What's the time Mr Wolf?' Mr Wolf replies (for example), '3 o'clock.' The players advance the same number of steps, that is, 3 steps for 3 o'clock.

The game continues until Mr Wolf thinks the players are close enough to catch and after being asked the time again he replies, 'Dinner time,' then turns and chases the players. The first child caught becomes Mr Wolf. If Mr Wolf does not catch anyone, he has to be Mr Wolf again. If a player reaches Mr Wolf before dinnertime, they tap Mr Wolf on the shoulder and run for home. If the player gets home then she is safe. If she is caught then she becomes Mr Wolf.



<u>United Kingdom – NW of England</u>

Hesketh Bank Primary School

Hesketh Bank is a small agricultural village in Lancashire, England. It lies to the north-east of the town of Southport on the Irish Sea estuary of the River Ribble. is a semi-rural area comprising of farms, market gardens and private housing.





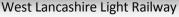
Our school

The original school building was built in 1871 and after many conversions now holds 7 classrooms. The school has a computer suite and an infant play area. The grounds have also been recently upgraded to incorporate a willow structure, a story teller's chair, a tyre area for active play.



Our village







All Saints Church

West Lancs light railway is an operational, narrow-gauge steam railway, with a historic collection of locomotives and rolling stock. Much of the equipment is from local industrial sites. There are 6 steam locomotives (3 operational and 3 undergoing restoration). The whole family can also enjoy a visit, with a short train ride around a flooded clay pit behind coal fired steam locomotives dating from 1898.



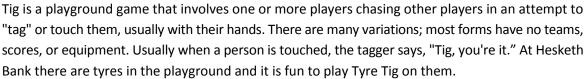


Games from UK (NW England) – Erzsi Culshaw and pupils



<u>Tig</u>































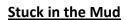


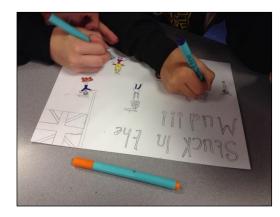












Tyre tig



Choose one player to be 'it' and the other players spread out.

The player who is 'it' must run around and tag as many people as he or she can.

When touched, a player must freeze and stand with his or her legs and arms apart.

The only way to be freed is for a non-tagged player to crawl through the tagged player's legs.

Players are safe while crawling under legs and cannot be tagged when in that position.

The game ends when all players have been tagged and are 'stuck in the mud'.

Manhunt



Manhunt is another hiding and chasing game.

Hopscotch



Hopscotch is played on a grid marked on the playground.









<u>United Kingdom – SE of England</u>

Panshanger Primary School, Welwyn Garden City





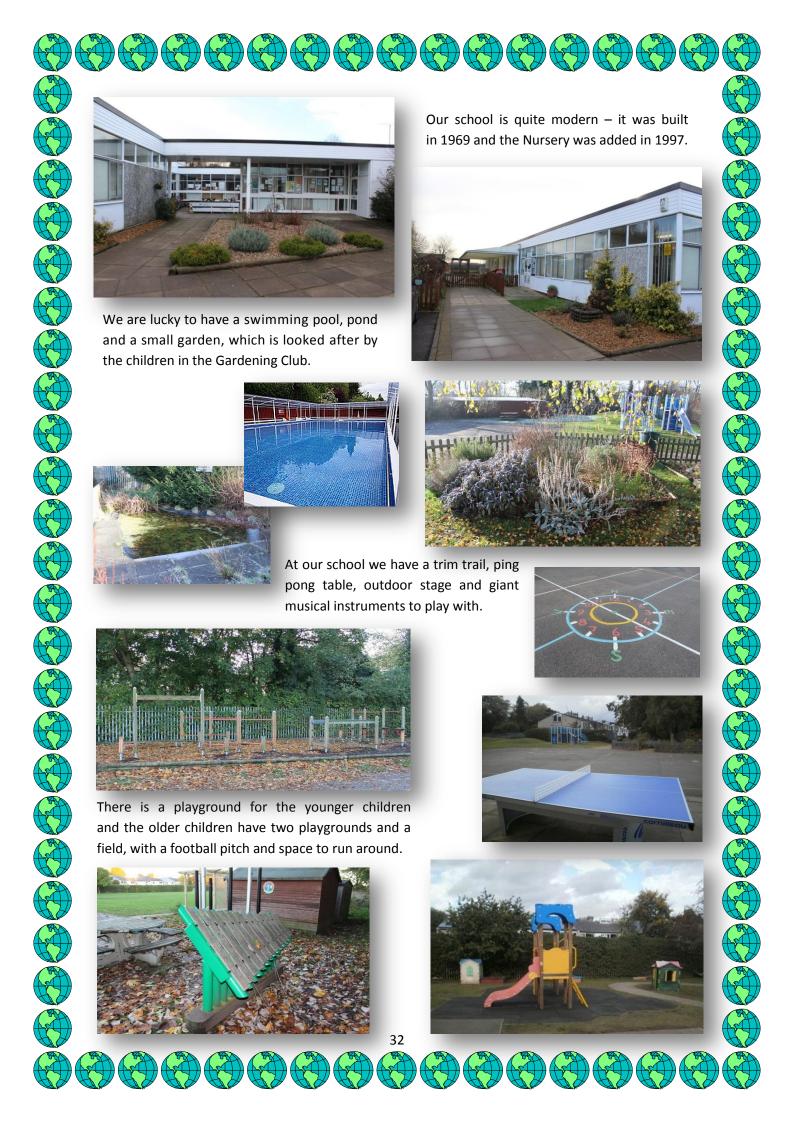
Welwyn Garden City is a town about 40km north of London. Panshanger is an area in the north east of the town.



When Welwyn Garden City was designed, by Ebenezer Howard, he wanted to build a town that would be set amongst trees and lawns — a true garden city. In this way, people could enjoy the feeling of living in the town and the country at the same time. There would be plenty of open spaces for recreation and sport, and the place would also look attractive because of the design of the houses.

As well as being close to London, there are many places of historical interest in our local area.













The rules are simple: Step 1: take a conker. Step 2: drill a hole in it. Step 3: thread rope through. Step 4: start playing.

> How to play: Swing your conker at the other player's conker to try and hit it. You can have 3 tries. Then you swap over. If you manage to break the other player's conker, your conker becomes a one-er. However, if the broken conker was a one-er (or two-er etc.) your conkers takes on its score and becomes a two-er (or three-er etc.)

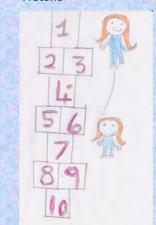
Hopscotch

Hopscotch

by Mia and Hannah

To play Hopscotch you will need:

- A hopscotch layout
- Some Friends
- A Stone



- 1. Firstly you will need a hopscotch layout [You should usually have one in your school playground]
- 2. Go in a line with your friends.
- 3. The first player shall have a stone in their hand ready to throw.
- 4.Once the first player has thrown they will go to one leg to two legs ,one leg to two legs, until they reach the stone.
- 5. Pick up the stone and then hopscotch back to the next person and go to the end of the line and keep on going!















































French Skipping



French skipping



French skipping is a fun playground game for all ages. If you find the game too tricky/easy you can lower or heighten the rope. There are many types of rhymes such as... Banana Split, Countries rhyme, and many others. My favourite rhyme is Banana Split and here is how to play it. >

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French Skipping - Banana Split

To play 'Banana Split' you need at least 3-5 players. The rhyme goes like this: "Banana, banana, banana, SPLIT!" - Jump over the rope on the first two 'bananas' but on the last banana jump into the middle then shout 'SPLIT!' and on split you need to jump onto the rope and press it down with your feet. This game is fun with lots of players as you can have a competition to see who can do it the quickest.





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Playground Games

40 40 home

- First there is a person who is 'it' and there's a 'home'.
 - 2. Second the person who's 'it' counts to 40.
- 3. So that the runners have a chance to run and get to the 'home'. 4. Then the person who's 'it' tries to catch the runners before they get home.
- 5. If the runners get home the person that's 'it' counts again. If the runners get caught then they become 'it' and start to count to 40 again.
 - 6. And then you repeat it.











Lions and Gazelles

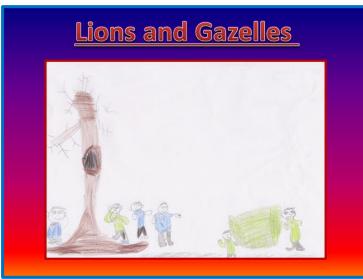
In Lions and Gazelles there is one lion and the rest are gazelles.

The lion counts to 20 and the rest have to run away and hide. Once the lion is finished counting he will try and get the gazelles.

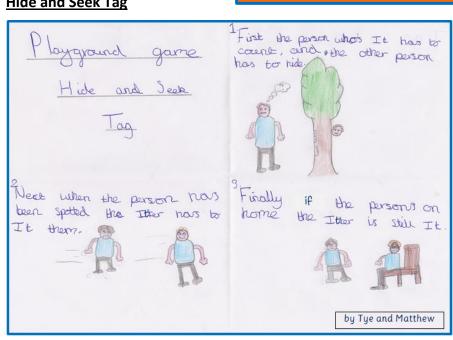
When he catches someone they become a lion as well (the person who was a lion stays a lion).

The winner is the last person to become a lion!





Hide and Seek Tag







A sailor went to sea !!

by Ruby and Lucy

What to sing

A sailor went to sea, sea, sea To see what he could see, see, see But all that he could see, see, see Was the bottom of the deep blue sea, sea, sea

A sailor went to chop, chop, chop To see what he could chop, chop, chop But all that he could chop, chop, chop Was the bottom of the deep blue chop, chop, .

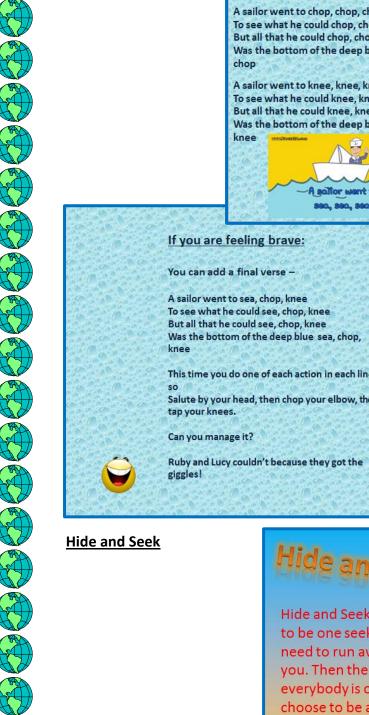
A sailor went to knee, knee, knee To see what he could knee, knee, knee But all that he could knee, knee, knee Was the bottom of the deep blue knee, knee,

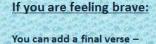
890, 890, 890

How to do the actions

- First you clap then give the other hand to your partner, after that you clap and give the opposite hand to your partner.
- Then you keep going until you finish the first verse, when you have finished the first verse you do it all again.
 - For the actions on the second verse you need to do pretend to chop your arm and sing the same verse but change the sea. sea, sea to chop, chop, chop.
- Finally for actions on the last verse you need to tap your knees and sing the same verse but change chop, chop, chop to knee, knee, knee.







A sailor went to sea, chop, knee To see what he could see, chop, knee But all that he could see, chop, knee Was the bottom of the deep blue sea, chop,

This time you do one of each action in each line,

Salute by your head, then chop your elbow, then tap your knees. Can you manage it? giggles!



Hide and Seek is a game for multiple people. There needs to be one seeker that counts to forty and all the hiders need to run away and hide where the seeker can't see you. Then the seeker runs around to find you, if everybody is caught, the person that is caught last can choose to be a seeker or a hider.

























































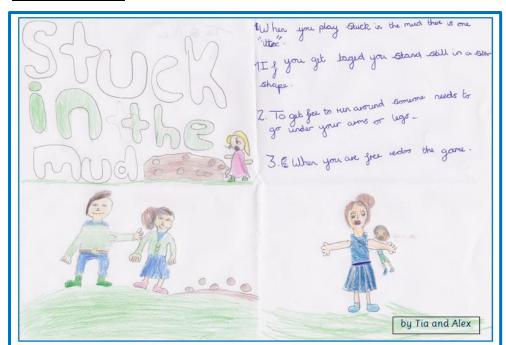








Stuck in the Mud



Skipping Rhyme

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Stuck in the Mud





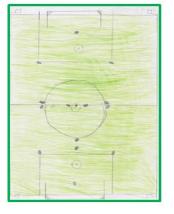
Tag

Football

Football

by Josh and Riley

- o We have a referee but he has no yellow or red cards. He announces free kicks, penalties, corners and sometimes throw ons. Sometimes people argue with the referee . We all play football because it is our dream to be a footballer.
- o To pick the teams you line up to make it fair, choose the Captains and they Pick 1 person at a time till there is no one left.
- o Choose a goal and try to kick the ball into the other goal.
- o Try not to tackle your own players.
- o Once a person scores its one goal to their

















































Queenie, Queenie from the UK







Spinning Tops from Spain



Duck, duck, goose from the UK







Hesketh Bank Primary School, UK



Stary niedźwiedź mocno śpi from Poland





Hand clapping game from France



Raz, dwa, trzy Baba Jaga patrzy from Poland











