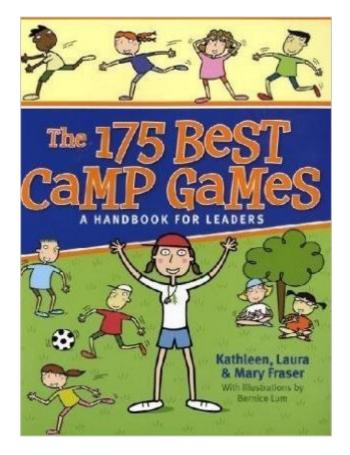
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The 175 Best Camp Games: A Handbook For Leaders





Synopsis

Games for kids 4 to 16, plus tips on keeping them fun and fair for all participants. Camp games are meant to be fun. Here are the very best camp-tested games for boys and girls aged 4 to 16, with easy-to-follow instructions and illustrations. The Frasers include indoor and outdoor games for both small and large groups, with some old favorites and lots of new, soon-to-be favorites. The 175 Best Camp Games also includes advice on: Choosing the right game for the situation Starting and ending games Dealing with rule breakers Modifying games for varied abilities Assuring safety and good supervision. This practical guide is easy to use, and the more than 175 games are divided into five chapters: Break the Ice (Name Dropping, Life Raft) Taking It Easy (Speed Rabbit, Electricity) Getting Them Moving (Soh Koh No, Kitty Wants a Corner) Running Them Ragged (Pairs Tag, Fox in the Henhouse) Wet and Wild (Battleship, Sharks and Mermaids). Though written with camp leaders in mind, this book will appeal to youth activity directors, counselors, counselors-in-training, coaches, scout leaders, parents, teachers and any other adult looking for creative group activities for youth that include all participants and require little or no special equipment.

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Customer Reviews

I am a Brownie Leader who saw this book being used at meetings. The girls really enjoyed the games. I bought a copy for myself and found the descriptions of the games easy to read and clear enough that I could picture how the game would actually work.. The quick notes and hints are really valuable as sometimes a game will fall flat and the hints will bring it back.

Picked this up specifically looking for games to play with cub scouts. Games are arranged by category (very helpful), and the fact that each game gives a recommended group size for optimal play is excellent for determining which games will be successful for your group. Having taught summer programs for K-5 and a high school girls camp I can say this book would be invaluable to counselors handling kids ages 6-18. Book has great type layout and directions are well written. What I would have given to have a book like this when I was a camp counselor! This is an extraordinary collection of fun.

All those games and songs you learned as a child, but can only half-way remember? They're in this book! It's worth it's weight in gold! A must have if you are a Girl Scout leader, camp counselor or plan activities for a large daycare.

This book is great for our weekly 6th grade team building activities, and it is invaluable in preparing for 6th grade camp. I love how it is divided by levels of activity. So useful since sometimes we are relegated to the gym instead of the school grounds for activities. Sometimes we even have to stay in a classroom. There is something for any setting and any goal.

I bought this book almost by accident - I was looking for play activities for adults - but it's become a favorite resource for group activities. Its geared to kids and great for kids, it's just as good for adults. A couple quick things: Many of the games are easy to play and easy to explain. There aren't lots of complex rules. You can adapt the games to your space and group size very easily as well. Most of the games are quick and easy to play but you can adjust them so you can play longer or do multiple rounds. I know it is entitled "camp games" but I've used them in weekday youth groups, adults seminars and even workplace settings. They get people up and moving and talking and laughing.

A lot of camp game books offer the same rehashed games, possibly with a different name or different twist. This book, for me, offered a LOT of new games that I had not heard of before and really helped refresh some of our summer camp and school time youth programs. I got this as a gift, but would gladly have spent the money on it knowing what I know now!

I bought this book to find activity ideas I might adapt for (adult) leadership training programs as well as games for kids. It did not disappoint. The authors offer a wide variety of engaging activities and explain them all clearly. I have been able to adapt a few for adults. My daughter is soon off to be an RA at a summer sleep-away camp for kids 8-12, and she is taking the book with her.

I checked out this book so many times from the library I had to have a copy of my own. Great resource for games of all energy levels and themes. Lots of wonderful tips for dealing with groups both large and small. Well written, organized and lots of variety. Thank you!

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