

Grade Range: 2nd grade and up
Difficulty Rating: Easy
Time: approximately 20 minutes for project
Categories: Game, Recycle

Games with Chenille Stems

Bring the outdoors inside on a rainy day with this easy craft. Create your favorite outdoor games with nothing more than chenille stems, pompon balls, and your imagination! Possible games include horseshoes, badminton, and croquet, but many more games can be created.

What you will need:

Chenille stems
Pompon balls in a variety of colors and sizes
Wire cutters; optional
Decorated shoeboxes for storage
Imagination!



1. Discuss the types of games you play outdoors. What equipment does each game require?
2. Use chenille stems to create versions of favorite games.
3. Use decorated shoeboxes to store the games and keep all their pieces together.
4. Chenille stems can be shortened by bending the wire back and forth several times until it breaks. There will be a sharp end on the chenille stem.

Notes: Never allow children to use paper cutters or wire cutters. Wire cutters are for adult use only. Never use scissors to cut chenille stems; this can damage your scissors.

