



Hula Hoop Tic-Tac-Toe

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Groups work together to try to get three in a row during a super-sized tic-tac-toe game.

Supplies

- 9 hula hoops
- 6 bean bags (3 of one color and 3 of a different color)

How to Play

1. **Prep work:** Lay the 9 hula hoops on the ground in a 3 x 3 square.
2. Divide your group into two teams and assign them each one of the colors of the bean bags.
3. Have each team line up behind a designated spot. Give the first three students in line one of the bean bags.
4. Tell them that the goal of this game is for their team to be the first to get three in a row of their color by tossing the bean bag into the hula hoops. Tell them that this game is very similar to tic-tac-toe except that each team only has three game pieces.
5. Explain that students will one at a time, one team at a time, try to toss one of their bean bags into a hula hoop trying to get three in a row.
6. Tell them that there can only be one bean bag inside each hoop at a time and if a bean bag lands in a hula hoop that already has a bean bag in it, they must pick it up and bring it back to the next child in line.
7. Multiple rounds can be played, resetting the game board each time and keeping score throughout.

Activity Prompts for Reflection

- How did your team listen to each other and make sure everyone was heard?
- How did we use everyone's strengths during the activity?
- What could we have done to work together better?
- Was there something that your team disagreed about during the activity? How did you work through it?

Other Ways to Play

- Have someone from the team whose turn it is hold—and then pass—a baton so that there is no question about whose turn it is to throw.
- Set up multiple playing boards so that the teams are smaller and students get to be more active.
- For younger students, allow them to walk around and place their bean bag in a hula hoop instead of throwing it.

Additional Notes

- Use the [SEL Activity Prompts](#) to tie other SEL competencies to this activity.

Category

1. Activities
2. Relationship Skills

Sel-competency

1. Relationship Skills

Allotted-time

1. 15 minutes

Themes

1. Jump Ropes and Hula Hoops
2. Work Together-Teamwork