

Eternal Dodge Ball (A Game that Never Ends)

Materials

- A set of dodge balls ([soft, no-sting balls recommended](#))

Objective

The objective is to throw the ball at other players and try to hit them, just like in regular dodge ball. However, the endless nature adds unpredictability to the game, making it a fun experience for all involved.

Instructions

1. To start the game, spread the players evenly around the play area, as there are no teams in Eternal Dodge Ball.
2. First, when throwing the ball, you cannot move more than three steps. If you move beyond that, your throw doesn't count if you hit someone. This rule adds an element of strategy and forces players to think strategically about their positioning.
3. If you are hit by a ball, you must sit down where you are and cannot throw any balls at anyone. Similarly, catching a ball is considered being hit, and you must also sit down.
4. Here's where the twist comes in. When you are hit, pay attention to who threw the ball that hit you. When that person is subsequently hit, they are out of the game, but you get to stand up again and continue playing. This rule keeps the game going and gives players a chance to get back in the action.
5. Once the instructions are given, throw the balls into the play area and let the game begin.
6. The beauty of Eternal Dodge Ball is that it can go on indefinitely unless one person manages to hit all of the other players.

Tips for Facilitators

To effectively manage an ongoing game of Eternal Dodge Ball and keep participants engaged, there are a few key tips to consider. Firstly, it can be helpful to mark designated positions on the playing area using masking tape. This ensures that players have a clear reference point to return to after retrieving or throwing a ball, maintaining order and minimizing confusion.

Additionally, as a facilitator, it's important to encourage active participation and create a positive atmosphere. Provide clear instructions and rules at the beginning of the game, and offer reminders throughout to keep everyone on track. Be attentive to any conflicts or issues that may arise and address them promptly, promoting fair play and sportsmanship.

By implementing these tips, facilitators can effectively manage the game and create an engaging experience for all participants.

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