

# Catch & Balance Set Game ideas

#### Conveyer belt

- 1. Stand in a line at one end of a marked area and pass the ball from back to front by rolling the bean bag or ball from one catch and balance band to another.
- 2. After you have passed the bean bag or ball onto the next pair run to the front of the line.
- 3. When you reach the other end of the area return.
- 4. Time your team and try to beat your last score.
- 5. Race another team.

#### **Popping popcorn**

1. Pairs stand in a circle and try to pass the bean bag or a ball around the circle by throwing it in the air and catching it

#### **Pass the Parcel**

- 1. Each with a catch and balance band, pairs stand in small circle and pass a bean bag or ball around the circle balancing it on their catch and balance bands.
- 2. When the music stops the child with the ball must do an action, e.g. star jumps

#### **Egg and Spoon Races**

- 1. Each pair balances a bean bag or ball on their catch and balance band.
- 2. Try to walk, jog, and turn to the finish line without the ball falling off.
- 3. Set up a relay or create an obstacle course for variations.

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### Games with a Net

#### **Keep it Going**

- 1. In groups of 8 or 12, equal numbers of pairs stand opposite each other with a 'net' (line, markers, net) between.
- 2. The first pair send the ball across the net and the first pair on the opposite side try to catch the ball then return it,
- 3. Once a pair has sent the ball they run to the opposite side of the net and join the back of the line.

#### 2 vs 2

- 1. Play a 2v2 game in a 'court' with a net.
- 2. Each pair playing on one side of the court sends the bean bag or ball across the net to try to outwit their opponents,
- 3. A point is scored if your opponents can't catch the bean bag or after one bounce of a ball.

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## **Games with Hoops**

#### **Hit the Hoop**

- 1. Carry the bean bag or ball on the catch and balance band as you move around an area.
- 2. When you get to a hoop flip the ball up to land in the hoop and try to catch on the catch and balance band,
- 3. Keep moving around the area.
- 4. Assign different point values to hoops of varying distances or sizes.

#### **Rob the Nest**

- 1. Spread a number of hoops around the activity area.
- 2. In teams of 6, two pairs are collectors and one a defender.
- The collectors try to collect as many balls as possible taking one at a time from the hoops to return to their own hoop by balancing on their catch and balance band.
- 4. The defenders try to block (no contact) the collectors and if they 'tag' a collector who has a ball, the ball must be returned to the hoop.

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