



Beanbag Battle

It's like a trash can tug-of-war!

Overview

- ★ # of Participants: **Up to 20**
- ★ Where to Play: **Indoors / Outdoors**
- ★ Age of Participants:
- ★ **Elementary / Middle / High School**
- ★ Approximate Time to Play: **10-20 minutes**
- ★ Materials: **Beanbags, Cones, Hula Hoops, Laundry Basket or Trash Can**

Summary

- ★ Place 7 hula hoops in a line, and place a large trash can in the exact middle
- ★ Teams stand on opposite ends of the line, toss their beanbag in the can, one player at a time
- ★ Teams who make a shot move the can one hula hoop closer to the opposing team
- ★ First team to reach the other end of the line gets a point, first team to five wins!

How to Play

To create the playing area for Beanbag Battle, place seven hula hoops next to each other on the floor in a line. In the middle hula hoop, place an empty trashcan, laundry basket, or other large container. Finally, we need to mark an area that the players will need to stand behind, so on either end place a small cone about 15 feet (~5m) away from the closest hula hoop.

Split your group into two teams, and have each team line up on opposite sides behind their cone. Give the first player in line for each team a beanbag, or some other sort of object that they can throw.

When the leader says "Go", the first player from each team will try to throw their beanbag into the trashcan in the center. If you miss your shot, the player that threw the beanbag will retrieve it, and hand it to the next person in line so that they can try again. However, if you successfully make a shot, you get to retrieve your beanbag and move the trashcan one hula hoop closer to the opposite team. You will also hand your beanbag off to the next person in line, who will continue to try to advance the trash can. If both teams make a shot at the same time, the trash can obviously just stays where it is.

Your team's goal is to advance the trash can to the farthest hula hoop, and then make one final shot. If you successfully do this, you will earn a point for your team. However, this is easier said than done, because you may have noticed that the more progress your team makes, the more difficult of a shot you have, while it gets easier for the other team. The measurements we recommended should make it so that this becomes an advantage for the losing team, but make sure that your players are far enough away that it's still possible to make enough progress against the other team to win. You can play the first team to win 5 rounds wins the game!

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Video Explanation Here!

