
CHALLENGE CARD

Plunger Ball

Equipment

Five sets of tinikling poles, three basketballs, three deck tennis rings, four plungers (bath-room plungers), one plunger mounted on a 5- to 6-foot (150- to 180-centimeter) pole (such as a mop handle), and a large container (such as a custodial cart).

Starting Position

The group starts near the place where the basketballs are lying.

Our Challenge

The group must transfer each basketball across the five sets of poles to the basket at the far end of the basketball court. The group then must transfer the ball onto the tall plunger and into the basket. The ball must then fall into the custodial cart (or large container). While transferring the ball across the poles, the ball must be over the heads of the people manipulating the poles.

Rules and Sacrifices

1. If the ball touches the floor, the group must start again at the beginning.
2. If the ball touches any part of a group member's body, the ball must go back to the starting position. One exception is that the ball may roll over the hands of the people holding the poles.
3. Group members may hold onto only one plunger at a time. If a group member holds onto two plungers, the group must return the ball to the beginning position.
4. When the ball goes through the basket, it must fall into the large container. If it misses, the group must start again.
5. No one may use last names or put-downs.

ORGANIZER CARD

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Questions

1. Where is our starting position?
2. To which basket do we transfer the basketballs?
3. What do we use to lift the basketballs?
4. What happens if the basketballs touch the floor?
5. What happens if the basketballs touch any part of our bodies?
6. What is the exception to question #5?
7. What do we use to lift the ball into the basket?
8. Do we have to use the poles above our heads?
9. How many plungers can each group member hold at a time?
10. Can you think of any safety issues that we should discuss?