
CHALLENGE CARD

The Maze

Equipment

Sixteen or 25 poly spots or bases to set up into a square grid with an equal number in each row.

Starting Position

Group members begin at a designated poly spot or base, usually at one corner of the grid. The instructor has a copy of the correct route through the maze.

Our Challenge

The group must learn the path through the maze from the beginning spot to the exit position. Moves will be forward, sideways, or diagonal. Group members cannot move backward (meaning that they cannot move back to a previous spot). They must step on each spot or base that is part of the path. All group members must go through the maze after the group has discovered the path. In the second maze, group members may not use any form of oral communication while trying to discover the path.

Rules and Sacrifices

1. If a group member steps on the wrong base, that person's turn ends, he or she goes back to the line, and the next group member begins.
2. Once a person steps off a base, it is considered a move.
3. No one may step back to a previous base.
4. After making it successfully through the path, a group member does not have to repeat the path if a teammate makes a mistake. Upon successful completion of the maze, that group member is done.
5. When attempting the second maze, no one may use any form of oral communication. If this happens, the person moving through the maze must step off the path and let the next person begin.
6. No one may use last names or put-downs. If this happens, the person traveling through the maze must step off the path and let the next person begin.

ORGANIZER CARD

The Maze

Questions

1. What happens if a group member makes an incorrect move?
2. What happens if a group member moves back to a previous spot (a backward move)?
3. What is it considered if a group member steps off a base or spot?
4. Do all group members have to go successfully through the maze?
5. When working on the second maze, what happens if a group member uses any form of oral communication?
6. Can you think of any safety issues that we should discuss?