



If You're Happy and You Know It Spinner Game

INSTRUCTIONS

Materials needed:

Paper

Thin cardboard or access to a laminator and plastic sleeves.

Thin drinking straw (optional)

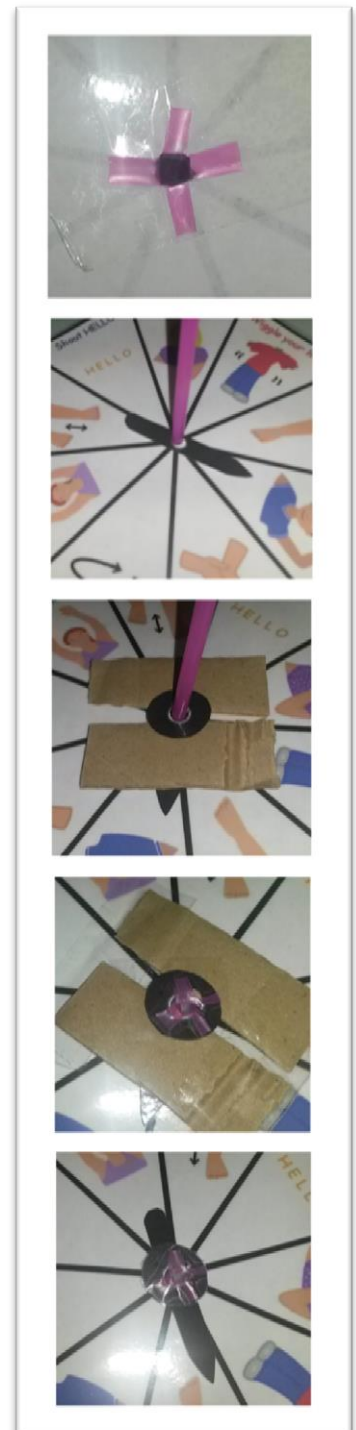
Hole punch (optional)

Sticky Tape

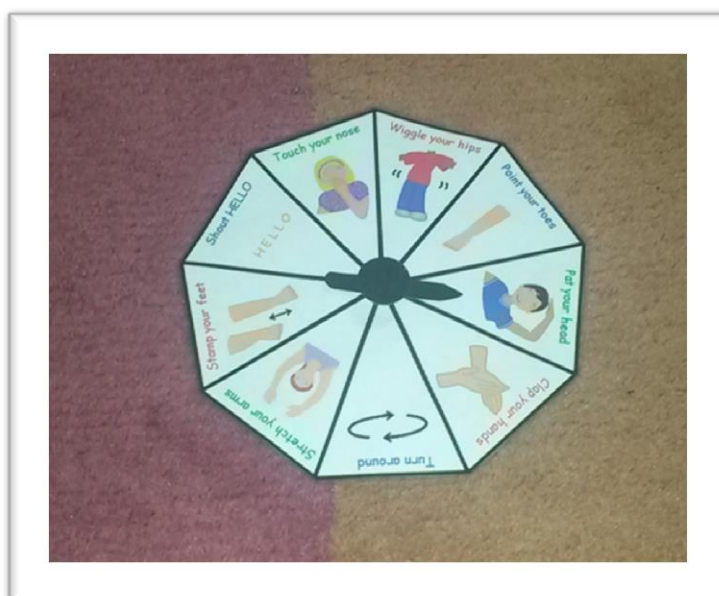
Glue

Make this simple spinner to get your kids active.

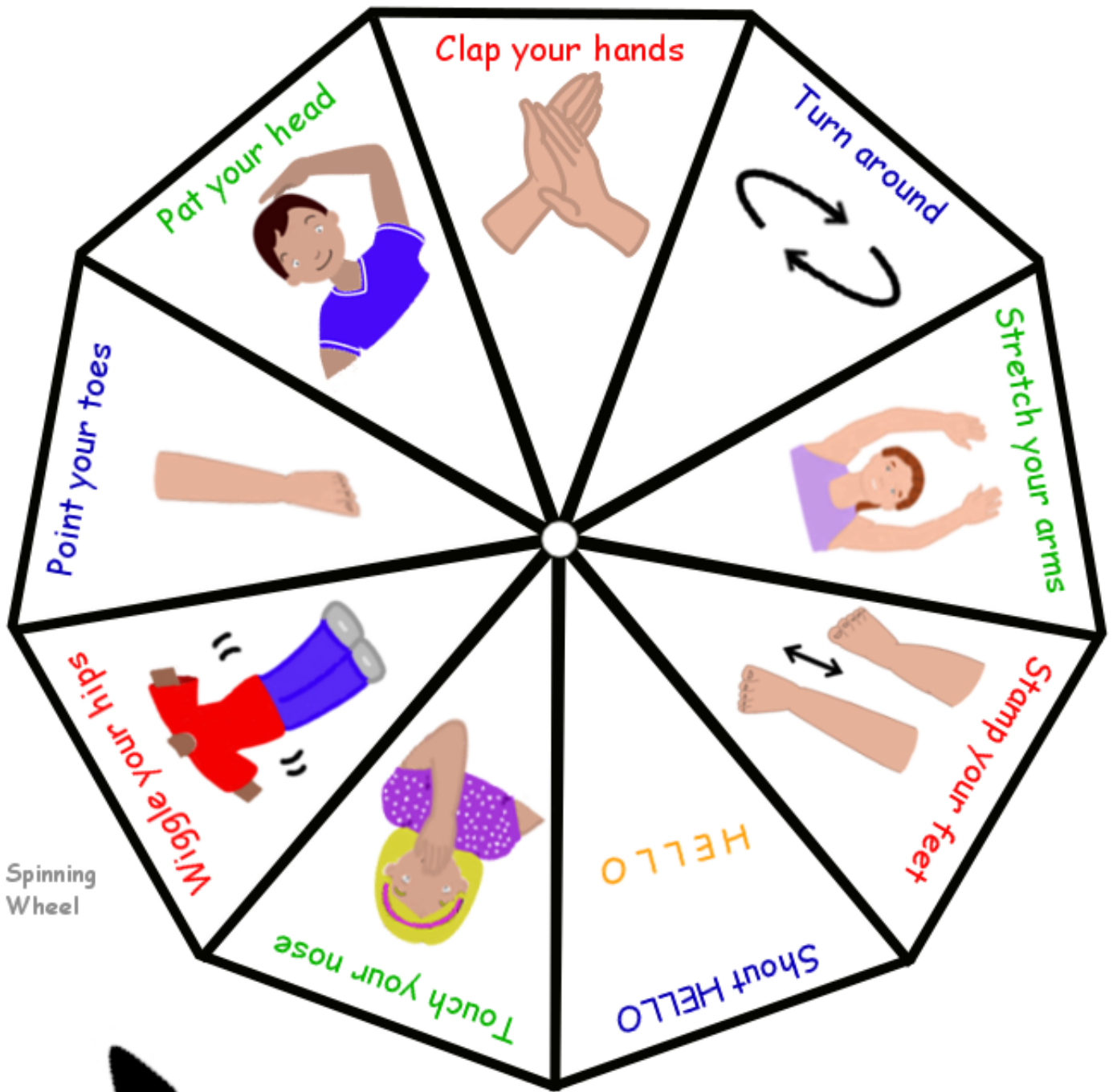
1. Print out the template which includes the main body of the spinner (spinning wheel) and the moving parts. Then you have a choice to stick these parts onto thin cardboard like a cereal box or laminate them.
3. Make a hole in the centre of the spinning wheel as marked. Then using a hole punch (or another sharp object) make a hole in spinner and the washer (small circular disc with a hole marked). It is important that the holes are just a bit bigger than the straw you have. This is so the spinner will be loose enough to rotate freely around it. If you do not have a straw then don't worry just get a small piece of paper and roll it up tightly so it has the same approximate diameter as a straw and is about 3 inches long.
4. Then poke the straw through the spinning wheel and cut the ends about half an inch so that they fan out at the back of the picture. Tape this down.



5. Turn the picture back face up and then put the spinner over the straw. Make sure the spinner rotates freely then put the washer also over the straw. Now you need to cut the straw down and fan out the ends again and tape to the washer. This is a bit fiddly and it is important that you leave a few millimetres of straw in the middle as the spinner needs to be loose so that it can rotate freely. You do this by putting some coins or thick cardboard down between the spinner and the washer whilst you are sticking the straw onto it. Once this is all in place you then stick on the small black disc onto the washer to neaten the whole thing up.



6. The game is then ready to play. Simply place it into the centre of the floor with any number of children gathered and whatever the spinner lands on follow its instructions. With younger ones it doesn't need to be a competition they can just have fun following the instructions. However if you want to, and you have lots of players, then it is the last one to follow the instructions who becomes out.



Spinning Wheel



Spinner



Centre



Washer