

OPENING/CLOSING ACTIVITIES

Counselor / Camper Challenges

Game Shows

Charades

Storytelling

Name that Tune

Psychic Research: 20 questions with some flare. The host brings someone up to think of a favorite sport, ice cream flavor, etc...Then the contestant sends out psychic vibes to the audience to help them guess the correct answer. Whoever guesses correctly gets to be the next "contestant".

Sing Off: Groups compete against each other to take turns singing as many songs as possible on a particular subject [i.e. songs with "love" in the lyrics would mean groups would sing songs like "Love me do" (Beatles) and "The Power of Love (Celine Dion)] until no group can think of any more songs. The group who sings the most songs on a particular subject wins (or gets a point).

Psychic Counselor: The host tells the group that s/he has a psychic connection with another counselor. They prove this connection by having the group identify one item in the audience for the psychic counselor to guess (the psychic counselor goes away from the group while they are choosing this item). To find the item, the host asks the psychic counselor, "is it this item?" and s/he answers yes or no. The crowd will be amazed when the psychic counselor correctly guesses the item they chose. The counselor really guesses the correct item because of a tell from the host. The tell could be "I'll ask about a black item just before the correct item" or "I'll ask about an item carried by a staff person just before the correct item", etc...

Skits

Royal Papers

The Enlargement Machine

Royal Wedding

The Invisible Bench

Everybody's Looking Up (adjust)

Songs

Birdie Song

Boom Chica Boom
Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes
Pizza Hut
Beaver Song
Peanut Butter
Froggie
Dum-dum-dada
Jig-a-lo
Hello Joe
Princess Pat
Singing in the rain
Wad-a-le-acha
Stay on the Sunnyside
If I had a hammer
John Jacob
Swimming, Swimming
Baby Bumblebee
Weegie Hunt
Little Green Frog
Hermie the Worm
Pink Pajamas

COUNSELOR / CAMPER CHALLENGE

CHALLENGE	MATERIALS NEEDED
Blow first bubble	Bubble gum
Lead sinker in bottle - using a fishing pole, drop a weight into a bottle	Fishing poles, lead weight, bottles
Sock soccer - A tennis ball is stuffed into a sock - the sock is hung from the contestant, who must then knock a ball into a goal, using only their sock ball - no hands	Socks, tennis balls, goals, larger ball
Speed dressing - put on an "outfit" as quickly as possible	Lost and found or extra clothes
Balloon pop with Helmets of Insanity - throw water balloons in the air, then try to catch them with helmets	Helmets of insanity, balloons, (shaving cream, water, or confetti)
Pop balloons with bum	Balloons, water, tray, chairs
Alphabet backwards	NOTHING
Eat donut off a string blindfolded, using no hands	Donuts, string, blindfolds
Push-ups, sit-ups	NOTHING
Find jelly bean in whipped cream - no hands	Jelly bean, whipped cream, plates
Biggest belch	NOTHING
Ankle balloon pop	Balloons, water
Any carnival game	Carnival games
Some board games (Twister, Connect Four, etc...)	Board games
Trivia - wrong answer gets a water balloon in the helmet of insanity	Questions & answers, helmets of insanity, water balloons
Math	Problems & answers
Hula hoop contest	Hula hoops
Questions game - two competitors have to have a conversation asking questions, whoever makes a statement that is not a question first loses	NOTHING
Bop It Extreme	Bop It Extreme
Name the most campers	NOTHING
Lock race - who can find the key to their lock the fastest	Locks & keys
Limbo	Pole or dowel to limbo under

CHALLENGE	MATERIALS NEEDED
Name That Tune - contestants bet how fast they can name a song	Music
Airmail - Who can make a paper airplane, then throw it into a box across the stage the fastest - if airplane doesn't make it, you have to make another one	Paper
Fill the cup - counselors fill a cup, held in an another counselor's mouth, by using a water gun from the other side of the stage	Cup with popsicle stick on bottom, and finish line, water, water guns
Pie in your pants - counselors must toss pies into huge pants worn by another counselor across the stage - whoever gets the most in a certain time, wins	Whipped cream, paper plates, huge pants
Bobbing for apples	Tub, water, apples
Musical eggs - blindfolded, counselors must catch an egg with cymbals - their partner tells them when to catch it	Cymbals, eggs, blindfolds
Watermelon eating contest	Watermelon
Mummy wrap - counselor must wrap a counselor/camper entirely with toilet paper	Toilet paper
Jinga	Jinga game
Ring toss	Rings, pegs to catch the rings
Eat a cup of baby food (apple sauce), served by another counselor, while both are blindfolded	Baby food (apple sauce), cup, spoons, blindfolds
Popsicle eating contest	Popsicles

Game Shows

Let's Make A Deal

Materials Needed:

Three boxes to hide prizes (Door #1, #2 and #3)

Stickers

Assorted prizes

Bad prizes (Band-aids, broken pencil, piece of paper, etc...)

Signs ("applause", "Aww", "Ooo", etc...)

Contestants are chosen at random out of the audience and asked whether they'd like to accept the sticker being offered, or take their chances at what's inside one of the three mystery boxes on stage.

Plinko

Materials Needed:

Plinko board (plywood with nails spaced across the entire board about 2 inches apart)

Air hockey puck to use as plinko "disk" (can be bought online at minimal cost)

Assorted prizes

Bad prizes (Band-aids, broken pencil, piece of paper, etc...)

Contestants are chosen at random (or must answer a trivia question right) to come on stage and drop a disk down the Plinko board. Whatever their disk lands on is the prize they'll get.



Jeopardy

Materials Needed:

- Poster board (or white board) with categories
- Paper to cover questions (with amount each question is worth noted)
- Questions & answers
- Assorted prizes
- Dingers (bell)
- Small chalk board/white board to keep score for each team.

Three contestants are chosen (or three teams), given a buzzer and asked kid friendly jeopardy questions. A correct answer gets the amount of points the question is worth - a wrong answer results in the amount being deducted from the person's (or team's) points. Whoever has the most points at the end, wins.

Family Feud

Materials Needed:

- Questions & answers (from Family Feud board game)
- Dingers (bell)
- Assorted prizes

This is the first round of Family Feud, where two "family" teams compete to guess the most likely answers to a series of questions.

Wheel of Fortune

Materials Needed:

- Wheel of fortune wheel
- White board for sentences
- Assorted prizes

Can play like normal wheel of fortune, or the wheel can have fun/funny activities (i.e. get a water balloon on your head, or put a water balloon on a staff member's head, etc...)



Other Ideas:

- Don't Forget the Lyrics
- Minute to Win It
- Deal or No Deal (for a million M&Ms)



CAMP SONGS

Ack Gung

Ack-Gung
Went the little green frog one day
Ack-Gung
Went the little green frog
Ack-Gung
Went the little green frog one day
And his eyes went Ack-Ack-Gung

Bar-Roomp
Went the little green frog one day
Bar-Roomp
Went the little green frog
Bar-Roomp went the little green frog one day
And they all went Bar-Roomp-Ah

Funky Chicken

And... We're... Marching
(March in a line with heads bowed)
And... We're... Marching...
Let me see your funky chicken (1 person)
What's that you say (rest of line)
I said let me see your funky chicken (1 person)
What's that you say (rest of line)
(Everyone- as they're doing the funky chicken)
I said oo ah ah ah oo ah ah ah oo ah ah ah oo
One more time now
Oo ah ah ah oo ah ah ah oo ah ah ah oo
Back in line
(Continue marching and start from top. Let me see
your...Frankenstein, Arnold Schwarzenegger,
Ballerina, Sprinkler, Dead cockroach, etc.)

Baby Shark

Baby shark do do, do do do do
Baby shark do do, do do do do
Baby shark do do, do do do do
Baby shark!

Mama shark...
Daddy shark...
I went swimming ...
Saw a shark...
I swam faster...
Shark attack...
Lost an arm...

Lost a leg...
9-1-1...
Was too late...
Came back as a baby shark!

Bean Song

My dog Lima loves to roam
One day Lima, she left home
She came back, quite unclean
Where oh where has Lima bean.
Lima bean, Lima bean
Where oh where has Lima bean...

My dog...."Pinto", "Navy", "Jelly",
"I don't know where I'm
going but I know where I've", etc.

Big Birds

Way up in the sky
The big birdies fly
While down in the nest
The little birds rest
With a wing on the left
And a wing on the right
The little birds sleep all
Through the night....
Ssshhh! They're sleeping!
The bright sun comes up
The dew falls away
Good morning! Good morning!!
The little birds say good morning

Boom Chica Boom

I said a-boom chica boom (echo after every line)
I said a-boom chica boom
I said a-boom chica rocka chica rocka chica boom
Uh huh
Oh yeah
One more time
(Motorcycle style, flower style, yuppy style, valley
girl style, really loud style, slow mo style, janitor
style, spaceship style, etc.)

CAMP SONGS

Cold Spaghetti

Chorus:

Cold Spaghetti, I like cold spaghetti
Cold Spaghetti, is what I like to eat

Leader yells:

I like to eat cold spaghetti at the flagpole!

Campers yell:

At the flagpole

Oh!!! (Continue singing until the leader returns to the stage)

(Chorus)

(Leaders continue to choose various places around camp, and go to those places, singing in order of newest to oldest)

Ding Dong

I know why - don't wear no socks

(a ding dong)

I was there when he/she took them off

(a ding dong)

He/she threw them into the sky

(a ding dong)

and all the little birdies did die

Chorus:

A ding dong, dong, dong, dong,

A ding dong, dong, dong, dong

Threw them into the stream

(a ding dong)

Have you ever heard fish scream?

(a ding dong)

That's why the camper's dead

(a ding dong)

TARZAN

(repeat after me)

Tarzan,

Swingin' on a rubber band

Tarzan,

Crash into a fryin' pan

Oh--that's bad

Now Jane has a pain

Cheetah,

Dancin' on a pizza,

Cheetah,

Burnt his little feet-za

Cheetah,

Fell in love with John (random leaders name)

Hey, that's great,

Now John has a date

And cheetah has a mate

FROGGY

Dog

Dog, cat

Dog, cat, mouse

Froggy!

Itsy, bitsy, teenie, weenie, little yellow froggy

Jump, jump, jump little froggy

Eatin' all the teenie weenie worms and spiders

Worms and spiders, scumdidelyishous

Ribbet ribbet ribbet ribbet ribbet ribbet CROAK!

One more time...(Style)

BUTTON FACTORY

Chorus:

Hi,

My name is O,

And I work in a button factory,

I have a spouse, a large house, two kids, (increase number of kids, and problems each chorus)

One day, my boss came up to me and said

"Are you busy, O?", I said, "no Joe."

He said please push this button with your...

Right Hand

Left Elbow

Right Foot

Left Ear

Nose

Bum

Tongue

After the last body part when asked "are you busy, O?" Say "Yes!"

CAMP SONGS

SWIMMING, SWIMMING

(Repeat, replacing one line at a time with humming....

Each line has motions)

Swimming, swimming

In the swimming pool

When days are hot

And nights are cold

In the swimming pool

Breast stroke,

Side stroke,

Fancy diving too,

I bet you wish you never had anything else to do

But...

BANANA SONG

Banana Song

Bananas of the world u-nite!

Peel banana, peel, peel banana

Peel banana, peel, peel banana

Shake banana, shake, shake banana

Shake banana, shake, shake banana

Go bananas! Go, go bananas!

Go bananas! Go, go bananas!

WADALYACHA

Wadaly acha Wadaly acha

Doodely do Doodely do

Wadaly acha Wadaly acha

Doodely do Doodely do

It's the easiest song, there ain't nothing to it,

All you gotta do is doodely do it

I like the rest but the part I like the best

Goes doodely doodely do

Wooh!

(Repeat faster)

I'M SINGING IN THE RAIN

Chorus:

I'm singing in the rain (clap clap)

I'm singing in the rain (clap clap)

What a glorious feeling

I'm hap hap happy again

- Thumbs Up -

Aru-chi-cha, aru-chi-cha, aru-chi-cha-cha

Aru-chi-cha, aru-chi-cha, aru-chi-cha-cha

Repeat Chorus:

Knees bent

Bum out

Head back

Tongue out

BOOM CHICKA BOOM

(Echo each verse and change "style" after each time through)

I said a boom chicka boom

I said a boom chicka boom

I said a boom chicka rocka chicka rocka chicka boom

Uh huh

Oh yeah

One more time

Styles:

A baby

A valley girl

Dracula

Loud

Very quiet

DUM DUM, DA DA

Dum, dum, da, da,

Da-dum, dum, da, da,

Da-dum, dum, da, da, da, dum, da-dum, dum, dum

Dum, dum, da, da,

Da-dum, dum, da, da,

Da-dum, dum, da, da, da, dum.

First time through: pat both knees twice, then right hand to left shoulder twice; pat knees twice, then left hand to right shoulder twice.

Second time through: pat both knees once, then right hand to left shoulder once; pat knees once, then left hand to right shoulder once; pat knees, then cross arms, uncross arms and then snap fingers.

Third time through: left hand on right elbow, flutter right hand; right hand on left elbow, flutter left hand.

Fourth time through: brush hands, then right hand on left elbow; left hand on right elbow.

CAMP SONGS

THE BEAR SONG

One day I met, A great big bear, In tennis shoes, A brand new pair.

He looked at me, I looked at him, He sized me up, I sized up him.

He said to me, Why don't you run, I said that I, Don't have a gun.

And so I ran, Away from there, And right behind, Me was that bear.

I saw a tree, A great big tree, A great big tree, O lordy me.

The nearest branch, Was 10 feet up, I saw that I, Would have to jump.

And so I lept, Into the air, And missed that branch, O way up there.

Now don't you fret, And don't you frown, I caught that branch, On the way back down.

The moral of, This little tale, Don't mess with bears, In tennis shoes.

SUNNY SIDE

Chorus:

Stay on the sunny side, always on the sunny side,
Stay on the sunny side of life (clap, clap)
You'll feel no pain as we drive you insane,
So stay on the sunny side of life (clap, clap)

Verse 1:

Knock, Knock Who's there?

Ether Ether Who?

It's the ether bunny!

2 - Nutter... It's anutter ether bunny

3 - Stella... Stella anutter ether bunny

4 - Cargo... Car go beep beep over all the ether bunnies

5 - Boo... Don't cry, there'll be more ether bunnies next year

6 - George Washington... don't you know who George Washington is?

7 - Orange... Orange you glad this song is almost over?

8 - Dishes... Dishes the end

FAST FOOD

Pizza Hut a Pizza Hut

Kentucky Fried Chicken and a Pizza Hut

Pizza Hut a Pizza Hut

Kentucky Fried Chicken and a Pizza Hut

McDonald McDonalds

Kentucky Fried Chicken and a Pizza Hut

Actions

Pizza Hut - Make shape of a hut in the air

Kentucky Fried- Flap elbows up and down in the manner of a demented chicken

McDonalds - Put hands on top of head and bridge out and down to produce the "Golden Arches"

Burger King - Put hands on head with fingers up to make a crown

Long John Silver - mimic sword play

Red Lobster - hold up arms and bring fingers down on thumbs like lobster claws snapping

Dairy Queen - mimic milking a cow

Chucky Cheese - mimic throwing up a pizza

Roy Rogers - mimic riding a horse

JOHN JACOB JINGLE HEIMER SCHMITT

John Jacob Jingle Heimer Schmitt,

His name was my name too...

Whenever we go out. (OUT)

The people always shout (SHOUT)

"There goes John Jacob Jingle Heimer Schmitt,"

Da, da, da, da, da, da,

Repeat four times, each time softer, until on the last verse no sound

comes out except-

Da, da, da, da, da, da.

CAMP SONGS

FORD SONG

There once was a Ford
The cutest little Ford
The cutest little Ford that you ever did see
The wheels were on the ground and
The engine in the ford makes the wheels go around
Bump didley ada bump bump

(Add each car part each time through)

The floor was on the wheels and
The wheels were on the ground and...

And on that floor there was a seat
The cutest little seat that you ever did see
The seat was on the floor and...

And on that seat there was a guy/girl
The cutest little guy/girl that you ever did see
The guy/girl was on the seat and...
And on that guy/girl there was a curl
The cutest little curl that you ever did see
The curl was on the girl/guy and...

And on that curl there was a hat
The cutest little hat that you ever did see
The hat was on the curl...

And on that feather there was flea
The cutest little flea that you ever did see
The flea was on the feather and...

And on that flea there was an elephant
The cutest little elephant that you ever did see
The elephant was on the flea and...

...Match in the gas tank, no Ford

THREE CHARTREUSE BUZZARDS

Three chartreuse buzzards, Three chartreuse
buzzards
Sitting on a dead tree, sitting on a dead tree
Oh no, one has flown a-way, what a shame

Two chartreuse buzzards, Two chartreuse buzzards
Sitting on a dead tree, sitting on a dead tree

Oh no, one has flown a-way, what a shame

One chartreuse buzzard, One chartreuse buzzard
Sitting on a dead tree, sitting on a dead tree
Oh no, one has flown a-way, what a shame

No chartreuse buzzards, No chartreuse buzzards
Sitting on a dead tree, sitting on a dead tree

Oh look! One has returned!
Let us rejoice!

One chartreuse buzzard, etc.

AIN'T THAT FUNKY NOW

Jack and Jill went up a hill
To fetch a pail of water
Jack fell down and broke his crown
And said Whoo! Ain't that funky now
Hump de dump
Hump hump de dumpty dumpty
Hump de dump
Hump hump de dumpty dumpty

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall
Humpty Dumpty ha a great fall
All the king's horses and all the king's men
Said Whoo! Ain't that funky now
Hump de dump
Hump hump de dumpty dumpty
Hump de dump
Hump hump de dumpty dumpty
Etc...