Hamster Race

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- See-saw and base
- Spinning wheel and base
- Flag pole and 2 chequered flag stickers
- Race track game board
- Spinner arrow and base clip
- 4 x hamsters
- Cheese board
- 16 x pieces of cheese
- 1 x die

AIM OF THE GAME
Race around the track, pick up cheese and try to secure a place on the see-saw. Then tip the see-saw and ride the wheel. Last hamster on the spinning wheel wins the round and gets to keep the cheese in their mouth. The player with the most cheese after 3 rounds wins the game.

BATTERY INFORMATION
Insert 4 x AA batteries (not supplied)

SET UP
- Insert 4 x AA batteries (not supplied) into the spinning wheel base and turn on (see diagrams above).
- Attach the spinning wheel to its base.
- Apply the chequered stickers to both sides of the flag, then insert the flag pole into the spinning wheel base.
- Position your hamsters on the starting grid on the gameboard and you’re ready to race!
**How to Play**

1. The youngest player rolls the die and moves their hamster the number of spaces denoted. On each space you will have to:
   - Roll die again
   - Pick up 1 piece of cheese
   - Spin the spinner and follow the action
   - Give up 1 piece of cheese and return it to the cheese board

2. If you spin the spinner you may have to:
   - Swap places with any other hamster on the track (even if you are in front)
   - Go back 2 spaces on the track

3. Continue to follow the instructions on the spaces you land on until your turn is finished (this may include multiple actions in one turn).

4. Once your turn is over it is now the next hamsters turn.

5. If playing with 4 players, once 3 players occupy all 3 spaces on the see-saw hold the base and tip the see-saw. If playing with 2 or 3 players, the see-saw is tipped when ALL players are on the see-saw.

6. Once tipped, the see-saw will start the wheel turning. When there is only 1 hamster left on the wheel tip the see-saw back, a fanfare will play, the flag will rise and that hamster is the winner and keeps their cheese. If the hamsters come off together you decide who was the last one on the wheel. Return the other pieces of cheese to the cheese board including any pieces lost on the wheel. If the claxton sounds it signals time is up, the wheel stops and you must flip the see-saw back, raising the flag. The nearest hamster to the flag is the winner and keeps their cheese.

The winner places their cheese in a separate pile in front of them. This cannot be stolen from during the remainder of the game.

7. Play 3 rounds or until the cheese board is empty. The hamster with the most cheese wins!

**Top Tip:** When collecting cheese, put it in a pile in front of you. Wait until you finally reach the see-saw before you put the cheese in the hamsters mouth.

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**Hamsters not spinning off the wheel?**

If the game is ending with the claxton sounding on a regular basis then the batteries need changing. It could also be that the surface you are playing on is not flat or the spinning wheel is not attached to its base correctly (See Set Up on front page).

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**Battery Information**

Hamster Race requires 4 x AA batteries (not included).

- We recommend alkaline batteries for optimum performance.
- An adult should install the batteries and note the following — open the cover on the bottom of the spinning wheel base by using a cross head screw driver. Insert the batteries making sure the + and – signs on the batteries are aligned with the corresponding + and – markings inside the compartment.
- Do not recharge non-rechargeable batteries.
- Do not mix different types of batteries, or used and new batteries.
- Rechargeable batteries are to be removed from the toy before charging them.
- Rechargeable batteries are only to be charged under adult supervision.
- Only batteries of the same or equivalent type, as recommended, are to be used.
- Insert batteries in the correct polarity.
- Remove exhausted (used) batteries from the toy.
- Remove batteries from the toy if it is not going to be used for a long period of time.

- Do not short-circuit the supply terminals.
- Batteries should be replaced by an adult.
- Do not attempt to power battery products from the mains supply and do not insert connection wires into electrical socket outlets.
- Dispose of used batteries at a recycling point. Never dispose of batteries in fire.
- Disposal of old electrical equipment.

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