



Saran wrap ball game



1 Sit in a circle with the ball and 2 dice.

Give the ball to the youngest player or the guest of honor. The dice go to the player on their left.

2 Unwrap while the next player rolls.

On "go", the player with the ball starts unwrapping. At the same moment, the player with the dice starts rolling, as fast as they can.

3 Doubles stop the turn.

When the roller gets two of the same number, they shout "doubles". The unwrapper stops at once, even halfway through a strip.

4 Pass the ball and the dice to the left.

The roller takes the ball and becomes the unwrapper. The dice move one more seat to the left.

5 Keep what falls out.

Every prize you free while you hold the ball is yours. Put it in front of you, out of the way of the wrap.

6 The last layer wins the big prize.

Whoever unwraps the center keeps it, and the game is over.

Safety

Plastic wrap can cover a child's nose and mouth. Never let babies or toddlers play, and gather all loose wrap into a bin bag as the game goes on. Keep the bag out of reach of small children.

Match the prizes to the youngest player. Toys for children under 3 may not have small parts, and hard sweets, small balls and coins are choking risks for young children. If little ones are at the party, give them a separate prize bag instead of a place in the circle.

Check every prize label for allergens before you wrap it. Once it is in the ball, nobody can read it.





How to make the ball

You need a roll of plastic wrap, a bag of small prizes and one bigger prize for the center. Clear tape helps but is optional. A ball for 8 players takes about half an hour to build.

1 Start with the center prize.

Pick the best prize, or put it in a small box so the ball has a firm core. Wrap it tightly until you cannot see it.

2 Add a prize, then wrap it in.

Lay one small prize on the ball and wrap over it several times. Turn the ball each time, so it stays round.

3 Space the prizes out.

Wrap more between prizes near the center, so the game slows down as the big prize gets close. Put a few quick, easy prizes near the outside.

4 Stick on a few surprises.

Tape a flat note such as "pass the ball to the right" between 2 layers. A few notes keep everyone watching.

5 Finish with a thick outer layer.

Wrap the last few turns tightly, then tuck in the end. A loose end makes the first turn too easy.

For a big group, make two balls and start them on opposite sides of the circle. Each ball needs its own pair of dice.

