

| GAME / RESOURCE | GOOD FOR... | NOTES |
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| Perudo – Family Dice Game | Strategic thinking / probability / mental maths. Good for all ages to play together. | Popular for a long time now and you can simplify rules for younger players. |
| Skulls – Family Card Game | Ditto Simpler card-based version. Good for all ages to play together. | Quite hard to find but worth it. Very simple rules but a really good test of strategy, i.e. best player will win. |
| Adventure Dice | Make your own rules for storytelling – good routine for those who find starting creative writing difficult. | More popular with girls than boys. |
| Brainbox Maths | Not just a game but a brilliant dictionary for Primary School Maths topics. | Every house should have one. Not the most exciting but it will come in handy. |
| Cup Stack Game | Good strategy. Very simple. Good party game. Kind of thing children will either love or not. I can advise! | Good indoor table top activity. Plenty of YouTube videos. Best against the clock. |
| Man Bites Dog – Card Game | Good sentence / headline building game. You might to have remove some adult cards. | More generally available. I've only got the US version. |
| Gravity Maze 3d Game | 3d Puzzle Game – My current favourite. I will be giving this one out to KS2s generally this Xmas. | Solo play. Give them a puzzle to solve and a time limit. Best little and often. Repetition builds skills. |
| Rush Hour 3d Game | Similar to above. A little less exciting but easier for younger ages to get to grips with. | ditto |
| Cool Circuits 3d Game | As above. Really quite difficult and smaller pieces not always good for clumsy hands. | ditto |
| Balance Beans 3d Game | Good 3d puzzle game that actually teaches algebraic principles! Popular in sessions. | ditto |
| Bounce Off Ball Game | A good fun ball-bouncing game that encourages making up your own rules. | Best played on a kitchen table. I use my own rules which your child should know. |
| Tenyo Magic Tricks | Individual tricks. I prefer these to sets. They can deliver great effects with minimum skill. | magicshop.co.uk – my favourite magic supplier. Not cheap. |
| That Flipping Word Game | Memory related word building game. Not difficult to learn but a good test of vocabulary & memory. | Good for all ages from 6 to 13. Can be played by two to four players. |
| Pathwords WordSearch Game | Visually attractive version of WordSearch. Good mixture of different difficulty | Word games aren't universally popular but this one people seem to like. |
| Smite Small Skittles Game | Outdoor or indoor skittle game with maths element. Excellent for mental maths. | Very simple but one agan that you can alter rules / gameplay to suit different ages. |
| Dr Zigs Giant Bubbles | Addictive giant outdoor bubble set with plenty of practical scientific interest, or should I say fun! | After initial success, set them a target like getting a bubble over the house. Best if not too windy! |