

TRADITIONAL CHILDREN'S GAMES COUNTRY : TURKEY

NAME OF THE GAME: CATCHING HANDKERCHIEF

TYPE OF THE GAME : OUTDOOR GAME

AGE : 6-13

MATERIALS : A HANDKERCHIEF

NUMBER OF PLAYERS : AT LEAST SEVEN PLAYERS

GAME INSTRUCTIONS:

We need two groups and a neutral player who holds handkerchief.

- Neutral player stands in the middle of the groups.
- First, the players in group A stand side by side.
- Ten steps away from this group, the players group B stand side by side
- Neutral player stands in the middle and holds the handkerchief.

(Each group will stand in a line side by side. Players in group A stand approximately five or six steps far from the neutral player, on the right. Players in group B stand the same distance away from the neutral player, on the left.)

- Neutral player counts until three and starts the game by either calling the names of the players or says the threes and the third players in each group run to catch the handkerchief □ The aim is to catch the handkerchief and turn back to your group without being tagged by the rival player.

- At that time, the rival player tries to tag the player who carries the handkerchief

To win the game you should go back to your group without being tagged.

- Or, if the rival player catches the handkerchief first, you should tag him/her by touching.
- The players who are tagged should leave the game.
- The group which has more players at the end of the game becomes winner.

GOALS OF THE GAME :

- It encourages physical and mental activities at the same time.
- Children learn to take part in a group.
- They learn sharing and helping each other.
- They learn to obey rules.

