

Mary Todd Lincoln House Family Fun

Outdoor Games 2

Ring Taw

According to one story, U.S. Attorney General Bates brought marbles for the Lincoln boys when he came to the White House to meet with the president. Tad must have been a good player, because he won most of the marbles.

You will need

- Marbles (which can be purchased at big-box stores or online)
- Flat ground that can be marked with chalk or tape
- Up to 8 players

Get ready

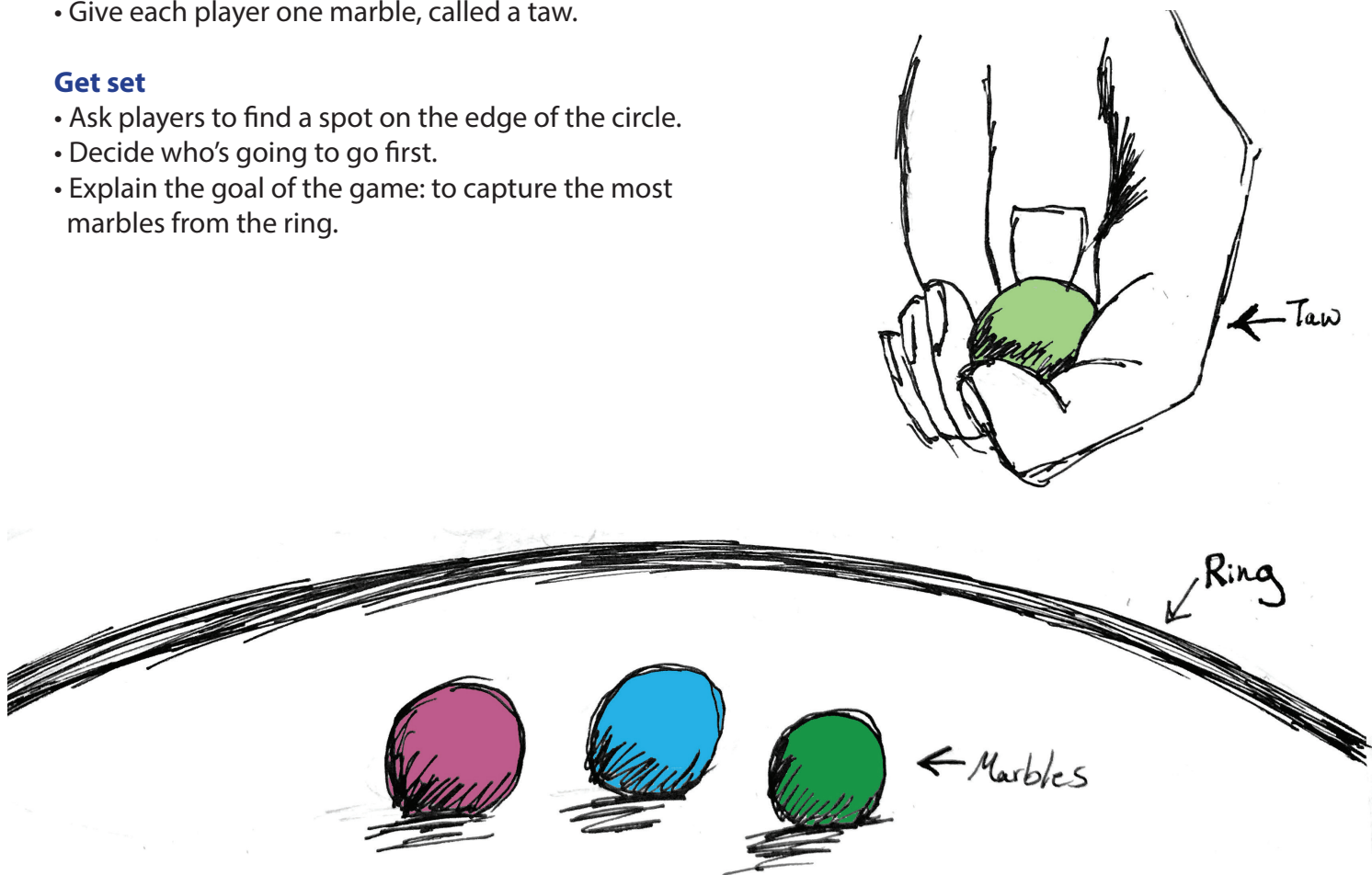
- Draw a circle, 6 - 8 feet in diameter, on the ground.
- Scatter a bunch of marbles in the circle.
- Give each player one marble, called a taw.

Get set

- Ask players to find a spot on the edge of the circle.
- Decide who's going to go first.
- Explain the goal of the game: to capture the most marbles from the ring.

Go!

- Players take turns rolling, or shooting, their taws into the ring.
- Players get to take the marbles they hit out of the ring.
- It helps to wait until the shooter has his or her taw back before the next shooter plays.
- Play continues until all the marbles in the ring have been won. The player with the most marbles wins.



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The Boys Own Book,

archive.org/details/boysownbook00clar/page/n6/mode/2up

The Girl's Own Book,

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