



# Rock, Paper, Scissors



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## **RPS for Visually Impaired**

By: John Byl

My students figured out a way to do RPS for the visually impaired.

Two players face each other, each player places one fist in front and the two players put the front of the fists together.

Players then call out "Rock, Paper" and simultaneously drop their fists down and up together on each call, and then on the third drop they call out "Scissors" and they change their hand to either rock, scissors, or paper--all the while keeping their hands in contact. With hands in contact players can determine who through rock, paper, or scissors and who won (rock beats scissors, scissors beats paper, and paper beats rock).

Variation: by Chris Wilson

So, it can also be done by using your partner's hand as a table. I place my hand on your palm and you place your hand on my palm. After each prime our hand lands on the table (palm). On the final prime you throw rock, paper or scissors flat on the palm. This way each player knows what they threw and what their partner threw by touch.



## **Reviewing for Tests: RPS**

By: John Byl

Reviewing for tests? Use RPS

Ask the class a multiple choice questions with answers A, B, or C.

Students stand up. When you have asked the question and offered the solutions, say 1, 2, 3, 1, 2, throw.

On the second 1, and 2 the students hop and on the throw they do a RPS.

Rock = A = Standing straight up with hands point up

Paper = B = Feet and arms out like in a jumping jack position

Scissors = C = Feet and arms out front and back in an extended run position.

See who has the right answer.



## **Second Chance RPS Train**

By: John Byl

Play RPS train as explained in CIRA Ontario's book Why Papers and Scissors Rock, except when one train lost they get a second chance by having the engine of the losing train play the caboose of the winning train. If the engine wins the train is free to continue along its merry way. If the engine losses, it must join the caboose of the winning train.



## **RPS Music**

By: John Byl

Great music when playing RPS games is the music to "We will rock you!" Having students move to the beat adds to the fun.



## **RPS Line Up**

By: John Byl

A teacher shared with me how she uses Rock, Paper, Scissors (RPS) to line her students up when they go to the library, go back to class, or any other time the class needs to line up single file to go somewhere.

Students each find a partner to play RPS. The winner is the head of the train the loser is the back of the train. The two person train plays another train. The losing train adds on to the back. Within a minute there is one long train and you have a line up walk to your next activity.

This game and more of these RPS games are found in the CIRA Ontario book Why Paper and Scissors Rock.