

LUCKY SHOT

A ball-- Shooting Catapult Game

Place the uncovered box flat on the floor or on a broad table. There may be any number of players. Each player shoots two balls, using the catapult, which may be placed at any suitable distance, as the player prefers (about a foot is most efficient). In shooting, the player faces the box so that the No Score trough is nearest him.

Any ball landing in the No Score trough does not score. Those landing in numbered holes score as follows:

The player adds together the numbers on the two holes he has covered (or one hole if only one is covered). If one hole has an odd number and the other hole an even number, he has a bonus of 10 points. If both are even or both odd, he gets no bonus. But if the sum of the two numbers is a multiple of 5 (as 6 and 14) (making 20), he scores double the total (as, for 6 and 14, 40 points). If one ball lands in the No Score trough, and the other hits a hole numbered with a multiple of 5, he scores double.

Example Scores: 6 and 9 score 40 points (total 15, doubled for being a multiple of 5, plus 10 points bonus for odd and even), 3 and 4 score 17 points (total 7 plus 10 points bonus for odd and even), 12 and 8 score 40 points (total 20, doubled for being a multiple of 5).

When a player fails to land his ball in the box, he may try again. If after five trials he fails to land the ball in the box, he receives no score for that ball.

The game is over when each player has had five turns at catapulting. The score should be kept on paper. The player with the highest score

wins.

Couples may play as partners, one shooting each ball. After the first partner has shot the first ball, the second partner may call his shot. Thus, if he calls "Odd and even" and puts his ball in a hole making an odd-and -even score, he makes double the usual score. But if, after calling a shot, he fails to make it, his side scores zero for that turn. Calling shots is optional. When the shot is not called, the scoring is the same as when there are no partners.