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GAMES ★ NIGHT



Playing for Promises

Make memories by offering unlimited screen-free gaming for your community! Collect old board games from your team members, thrift stores, and discount stores. Participants can pay a small fee to play as many games as they can in 2 hours, 4 hours, or as long as your event allows!

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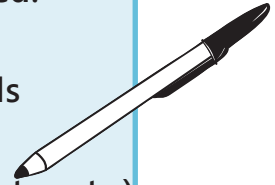
I'm standing on my Monopoly board. That means I'm on top of my game.”- Marshall Mathers



Total Prep Time: 3 Hours
Total Active Time: 4 Hours
Total Time to Execute: 7 Hours
Cost to Operate: \$\$\$\$
Forecasted Funds Raised: \$\$\$\$

Supplies Needed:

- Board Games
- Cups / Plates / Bowls
- Snacks
- Beverages (soda, water, etc.)
- Chairs (folding chairs, or other seating)
- Tables
- Change



This kit is designed to accommodate 100 participants. If projecting fewer or more participants, be sure to adjust your supplies and cost to operate accordingly.

Plan

1. Indoor or outdoor? Choose a location to host this event.
 - a. Winter is a great time of year to bring everyone inside for a fun game night! You can even add hot chocolate for a cozy atmosphere!
2. Choose a date and time that will be convenient for most people, such as a weekend evening. Decide how long you'd like the event to last (2-4 hours).
 - a. Other appropriate times that may be suitable for your city are weekday evenings or weekend afternoons.
3. You may want to offer lemonade, iced tea, or other beverages for a small cost as well!
 - a. If so, prepare to put someone in charge of bringing the drinks, cups, napkins, and any other items you may need.
 - b. Add these items to the supply list above.
 - c. Purchase these items at a local dollar store or wholesale store for maximum profit
 - d. Mark up the costs slightly (Ex: A box of candy at \$1.00 could sell for \$1.50, a cup of popped popcorn at 25¢ per serving could sell for \$1.50 each, and a cup of soda at 20¢ per serving could sell for \$1.00 each. In total, after the cost to buy, you'd have a \$2.55 profit from this one sale!)
4. Decide on a price per person for the unlimited play. \$5 for 2-4 hours is average.
5. Work with your team to arrange for any equipment that you may need, such as seats, tables, etc.
 - a. You can also offer guests to bring yoga mats, blankets, pillows, etc. for their own seating if your venue allows for this.

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6. If the location provides tables, ensure they will be usable for the event. If tables are not provided, work with your team to arrange for tables to be brought to the location.
 - a. You may want to ask party rental places or banquet halls to see if they may be willing to donate their tables for your event!
7. The day before the event, be sure to have change available for your buyers. For a typical sale of 80-100 guests, you will need \$20 in quarters, \$50 in ones, and \$50 in fives.
8. Ask team members what games they have at home that they'd be willing to bring and allow others to play. You can also try dollar stores, thrift stores, or garage sales to purchase games at a discount.
 - a. Decide if these will be stored at a team member's home or in another agreed upon location until the day of the event.
 - b. For a list of game ideas, see page 5.

Prepare

9. After coordinating supplies, location, and equipment, promote "Playing for Promises" with your friends and family, through social media, on your own personal website, or with flyers.
 - a. You may want to announce a few of the games you have acquired on your flyers and online!
10. The day of the event, be sure there is time set aside for set up (an hour or two). Organize and display all games on one central table.
11. Set up other tables with chairs for guests to comfortably play games. Use plastic tablecloths as a quick decoration.
 - a. You can also use tablecloths and other decorations to draw attention to the concession table if you are offering one!

Perform

12. Assign volunteers with tasks: assist with set-up and clean-up, manage the game board table, and be in-charge of the concession stand.
13. Count the money made for your volunteer project! If you collected more than your project requires, donate the remaining funds to a nonprofit organization that benefits the community your project aims to serve!

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Checklist

Plan

- Choose location to hold the event
- Contact location and confirm date and time
- Purchase snacks, beverages, popcorn, cups, and bowls / plates
- Coordinate with a volunteer to photograph the event
- Purchase and/or gather board games



Prepare

- Post on social media or create flyers to advertise the event
- Begin assigning members with tasks like: collecting money, preparing snacks, assisting guests with games, set up / clean up
- Arrange for tables/equipment and obtain change in quarters, ones, and fives.
- Remind volunteers of their assigned tasks
- Ensure volunteers know what time they are expected to arrive
- Continue advertising via flyers, social media, personal websites, etc.
- Set up chairs, tables for snacks, game table, etc. as needed
- Decorate area if desired (a couple hours before the event)



Perform

- Direct guests towards open tables
- Encourage and talk with guests- have fun!
- Maintain refreshments as needed
- Count the money you made for your volunteer project
- Return any borrowed games to their rightful owners
- Fill out the [reporting form](#), ensure a volunteer uploads any photos, and celebrate!

Accounting Table

(use to calculate how much was collected):

CURRENCY	COUNT	CALCULATE	TOTAL
Quarters		X .25	
Dimes		X .10	
Nickels		X .05	
Pennies		X .01	
Ones		X 1	
Fives		X 5	
Tens		X 10	
Twenties		X 20	
Fifties		X 50	
Hundreds		X 100	

Example:

CURRENCY	COUNT	CALCULATE	TOTAL
Quarters	64	X .25	\$ 16.00
Dimes	52	X .10	\$ 5.20
Nickels	16	X .05	\$ 0.80
Pennies	0	X .01	\$ 0.00
Ones	73	X 1	\$ 73
Fives	67	X 5	\$ 335
Tens	34	X 10	\$ 340
Twenties	21	X 20	\$ 420
Fifties	0	X 50	\$ 0
Hundreds	0	X 100	\$ 0

$16.00 + 5.20 + 0.80 + 0 + 73 + 335 + 340 + 420 + 0 + 0 = \$00 - \$280 \text{ (Cost to Operate)} - \$120 \text{ (Change)} = \$760.00$

Board Game Ideas

- Boggle
- Checkers
- Monopoly
- Operation
- Chinese Checkers
- Sorry!
- Hungry Hungry Hippos
- Clue
- Uno
- Battleship
- Apples to Apples
- Up Words
- Scrabble
- Chess
- Twister
- Trivial Pursuit
- Connect Four
- Chutes and Ladders
- Guess Who?
- The Game of Life
- Deck of Cards
- Twister
- Trouble
- Jenga



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