

RUN. RABBIT, RUN

This game was made especially for the Easter season. The object of the game is to be the player who gathers the most eggs. Since there is no logical end to this game, it is best to set a time limit before you begin. Example; say you will play for 30 min. and whoever has the most eggs then will be the winner.

There are many inexpensive plastic toys on the shelves at Easter. I found these rabbits at a K-Mart and they have made perfect playing pieces. Chickens, ducks, or flat-bottomed eggs will work just as well as long you have enough so that each player has their own.

The playing "board" took some time to make but it was fun. You can come up with your own ideas for the squares and for the shape of the track. A simple round, oval, or square track is not very interesting so you do want something that will provide choices and thereby increase interest levels. The "Rabbit Holes" found in the corners and side spaces of the board are the starting points for players. At the beginning of each game, a player chooses a "hole" and places his/her playing piece on that spot.

The first player hits the spinner and moves the number of spaces indicated. (if you don't have a spinner, dice will do) If the space has writing, the player must do as indicated. Perhaps the player will collect eggs, maybe lose eggs, or maybe move elsewhere. Action moves to the next player and so on until the time has elapsed. Each player counts their eggs and the one with the most, is the winner.

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Suggestions for the squares on the track

Hens are happy collect 2 eggs

Trap ahead. Go underground (a secondary path)

Trap! Return to hole. Give up 2 eggs

It's your birthday. Get 1 egg from each player

Chicken house; Pick 2 eggs (there are 4 chicken abodes; the chicken house, the Hennery, the Chicken Coop, and the Hen House

Fell in a badger hole. Broke 2 eggs

Advance to Hennery; pick 2 eggs

Productive goose; gather 2 eggs

Hunter! Return to your hole. Give up 1 egg

Collect 2 stolen eggs

Found nest in trees; collect 3 eggs

Wolf in red cape steals all your eggs ! (only 1 such square)

Skunk breaks 2 eggs.

Pullets start laying; gather 3 eggs

Double yolks! Collect 2 eggs

Hit a rock and broke 2 eggs

Gophers steal 2 eggs

Go back three spaces; do as directed

Dog ahead ! Go through the woods (another secondary path)

Kids throw eggs at neighbors cows. Lose 3 eggs

Creamery called. Sell 2 eggs

Egg sucking dog; lose 2 eggs

Nest found in grass; collect 3 eggs

Anniversary! Ask any player for 2 eggs

Return to your hole. If you pass a chicken abode, collect eggs

(Have fun making up your own directives !)

Eggs are collected at each chicken abode. The square nearest the abode is labeled with the number of eggs available. ie; "Hen House; pick 2 eggs" "Hennery; pick 3 eggs", etc.

You will need quite a number of eggs so perhaps you could elicit the help of residents to color them as an activity.

