

Dragon Lands

People

2+ (best with 4)

Aim

Find the Dragon's eggs or the Queen's crowns that have gone missing!

Space

Home / Garden / Park

Equipment

Five of something to be the crowns (You could use balls or t-shirts)

Five of something different to be the eggs (You could shoes or pieces of card)

Something to mark out two small areas, one castle and one dragon's den (you could use rolled up jumpers or some twigs)

How to Set Up

Hide five dragon eggs and five crowns as far and wide as you can

Dragon's hide their eggs. Knights hide the crowns

Split players into two groups and make one set the dragons and one set the knights

Put a castle and a dragon's den next to each other in the middle of where you're playing

Two Rules

Collect one at a time only

No taking anything out of the castle or the dragon den

How to Play

Dragons go off and find the crowns. Knights go off and find the eggs

Once they have found a crown or an egg, bring it back and put it in the castle or the dragon den

Go back out to find another piece!

How to End

When the dragons have collected all the crowns, or the knights have collected all the eggs

Level One. Add Tagging

Players can tag each other when they see a player with a crown or an egg.

If a player is tagged, drop their crown or egg, freeze, shut their eyes and count to 20.

The tagger can go and rehide the dropped crown or egg.

Level Two. Add Fireballs

Add five fireballs into the game. Scatter them everywhere and anywhere.

Players can pick them up for two seconds and then throw them at other players to tag them.

If a player is tagged by a fireball, drop their crown or egg, freeze, shut their eyes and count to 20.

Level Three. Move the Dragon's Den and Castle

Keep the tagger rule and maybe even the fireballs too

Rather than in the middle of the space, put the dragon's den and the castle in separate corners, maybe near a fences or hedges

Boss Level. Play the Game Your Way

The game and the levels are just start points for your imaginations to run wild with!

The best way to play the game is creating your own way to play.

Why not try and make your own version of the game! Remember the magic ingredients of great play from the PlayCorner.

If you do have a go at the boss level, we'd love to see and share your Play Ups with the rest of the PlayUp club.

Power Ups

1 - Hide loads more crowns and eggs

2 - Add in a third team seeking a third type of object

3 - Play in pairs with one player blindfolded and one player as the guide

4 - Play with a golden egg or a golden crown. If they return it they win, but they can be tagged with it as well, and if they are tagged they lose the whole game

5 - Make it a relay race. One player from each side looking for an egg or a crown at a time

6 - Play in a giant triangle. Don't go outside the triangle and put the castle and the den at one point of the triangle

7 - Play in a wood or a much bigger area

8 - Give each player a golden tail that if it gets pulled out of their shorts then they lose the game

9 - Add in safe zones for players to seek shelter in

10 - Add in more fireballs and create shields out of cardboard for each player to block them with

Level the Playing Field

1 - Hide different amounts for different players

2 - Make the length of time players have to freeze different

3 - Put the castle and the dragon den different distances away from the hidden crowns and dragon eggs