

Find the Thimble

This is an object-finding game.

You need a thimble. If you don't have one, you can use another small object.

The game we've described here is a version of "hot and cold."

This game can be played indoors or outdoors, but usually works best as an indoor game. It's fun to play with a whole class or party group.

Choose one player to be It and send him or her out of the room. While It is out of the room, the rest of the players agree on a place to hide the thimble. It has to be in a place where It can actually see it if he or she looks carefully in that area of the room, so don't put it inside something or behind something where it can't be seen.

When the thimble is hidden, bring It into the room. As It moves around the room, the rest of the players call out clues to help It find the thimble.

If It is far from the thimble but moves in the right direction, the players call out, "You're getting warmer."

As It gets closer, they change "warmer" to "very warm," then "hot" or "very hot," and so on.

If It moves away from the thimble, the other players say, "You're getting cooler," "very cool," "cold," "very cold," and so on.

When It finds the thimble, he or she can choose the next person to be It and he or she can hide the thimble.

You can set a time limit for It to find the thimble. If he or she doesn't do it in that time, the group can choose the next person to be It.

