Human, Banana, Soda Pop

Location Rhythm Nutrition Equipment In/Out No Yes None

Get Ready:

This game is like Rock, Paper, Scissors, except we move our whole body! Instead of Rock, Paper, Scissors, we use:

- Human: Flex arms overhead like a body builder and say "Oh, yeah!"
- Banana: Stand on tippy toes, put both arms straight up in the air and say "Banana!"
- Soda Pop: Squat down and make arms into a circle shape in front of your chest (like a basketball hoop) and say "Fizzzzz!"

The Rules: Humans eat bananas (and bananas are good for humans), so humans **BEAT bananas.** Bananas are healthier than soda, so bananas BEAT soda. Soda is full of empty calories and/or sugar, so soda BEATS humans.

Directions:

- Find a partner and stand back to back with at least one foot (one arm's length) of space between you.
- After I say "human, banana, soda pop," jump and spin to face your partner. Before you land, do the movement for human, banana or soda pop and hold it!
- The winner does 10 star jumps (onefoot hops, jumping jacks) and your partner does 10 squats (calf raises, frog jumps).

Tips:

- Have students find a new partner after a few rounds.
- If there is an odd number of students, the instructor can partner with a student.
- Tell the student to complete rounds in slow motion for those who might have longer processing time.

Source: Adapted from an activity from Mr. Gym, http://www.mrgym.com/SmallSpace/Tie_U_Die.htm, 2011

Standard Connections

Did You Know?

- Kids should **BE** Physically Active for at least 60 minutes every day!
- Playing a game like Human, Banana, Soda Pop is a great way to be active and have fun!

Show and Tell!

- ✓ Grades K-2: Show me your favorite Human, Banana, Soda Pop movement! Tell me a different way your body could make a human, banana, or soda pop sign.
- ✓ Grades 3-5: What full body Human, Banana, Soda Pop movement could we use for rock, paper, scissors? Can you show me?

Try This at Home

- Play Human, Banana, Soda Pop, at home with a friend or family member! Let us know if you come up with new movements! What else can human beat, and what other unhealthy things can you imitate that "beat" human?
- Check out the Food Hero website for your favorite recipes that include bananas! http://foodhero.org/recipes/ categories/1332!





























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