

Here's a fun game to play at the beach during your picnic!

You'll need:

• a plastic ball

• paper stars

Number of players: 4 or more

Before you head for the beach, print out and decorate paper stars (see next page for instructions) for half the number of people who will be playing. For example, if 4 people will be playing, you'll need to print out 2 stars. You can always make extra stars for people who might want to join in the fun. Color the stars and cut them out, being careful not to cut off the long tabs. Pack these stars and a ball in your Sneetch Beach Bag of Fun.

When you get to the beach, hand out stars to half the people who will be playing. They will be the Star-Bellies. If you get a star, fold it on the dotted line. Then tuck the long tab into the top of your bathing suit so that the star is showing. All of the players should stand in a circle, with the Star-Bellies and the Plain-Bellies alternating.

To begin the game, a Plain-Belly should take the ball and throw it to a Star-Belly. Then that Star-Belly should throw it to a Plain-Belly. See how fast you can throw the ball back and forth without throwing it to someone with a belly like yours. If you do, you are out. Play continues until only players with the same "belly sign" are left. That team is the winner. If only two players are left and each has a different "belly sign" then it's a tie. Try to get all your friends to join in - the more bellies you have, the more fun it is to play the game.

Now, play ball!





