



BIRDIE ON THE PERCH/ANATOMY SHUFFLE

Here's a good active game for Valentine's parties. Have boy-girl couples get into a two-circle configuration with the boys on the inside and the girls on the outside.

When the game starts, the boys should begin moving in a clockwise direction and the girls should move in a counterclockwise direction (or vice versa). On a signal (when the music stops, or on a whistle), the boys must immediately get down on one knee with their other knee forming a "perch" for the girl. The girl must quickly locate her boy partner and sit on the perch. The last couple to get in position is out of the game, and the game continues until only one winning couple remains.

"Anatomy Shuffle" is played similarly, except that the leader yells out two parts of the body, like "KNEE/ELBOW." The couples must quickly locate each other and touch those two parts of the body together. For the above example, the girl would touch her knee to his elbow, or he would touch his knee to her elbow (either way is okay). The last couple to have those two parts of the body touching is out of the game. You can decide which parts of the body to call out, depending on your crowd. These suggestions are usually fun: NOSE-EAR, NOSE-BELLY BUTTON, CHIN-TOE, ARMPIT-NOSE, EAR-REAR, FINGER-NOSE, NECK-NECK, LIP-LIP.