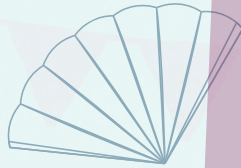


Feather Racing

Feather racing was a popular parlor game during the 19th century. You can learn to play using the instructions below and items you have in your house!

Materials

- 2 fans (you can also use stiff pieces of paper or magazines)
- 1 feather (or any other small, light object, like a cotton ball)
- Tape or string to mark your goal lines



Don't have fans? You can make them!

Grab an 8.5 inch by 11 inch piece of paper. Starting on one of the short sides, accordion fold (alternating creases inward and outward) until the entire paper is folded. Staple or tape one end for a handle, then spread the creases out to open your fan.



How to play:

- You'll need at least two people to play. Divide the players into two teams.
- On a table or countertop, mark your goal lines with the tape or string. Team 1's goal line should be at one end of the playing surface, and team 2's goal line should be on the opposite end. If you don't have a table big enough, you can also play on the floor.
- Place the feather directly in the middle, between the two goal lines.
- One player from each team gets a fan. When someone says, "go," each player tries to fan the feather across the opposite team's goal line. Whoever succeeds in fanning the feather across the line wins that round.
- The game can have as many rounds as necessary for every player to have a turn fanning the feather. Whichever team has the most points after everyone has had a turn, wins!