Pencil & Paper Games

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Tic-Tac-Toe

Payers: 2

Decide who will be X, and who will be O. Take turns marking your space, and try to get three in a row – across, down, or diagonally.

Winner: __________________  Winner: __________________  Winner: __________________

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Hangman
Players: 2
Player one, think of a word and draw a dash for each letter in that word. Player two, guess a letter.
Player one, write the letter in all the correct dashes, or if the letter is not in the word, write the
letter in the box and draw one element of the hangman diagram: head, arms, body, and legs. The
game is over when the word is completed or guessed, or when the diagram is complete.

Word: ____
Missed Letters: _______________________________
Winner: _______________________________

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Dots and Boxes
Players: 2 or more
In a grid below, take turns drawing a single horizontal or vertical line between two dots. The player who completes the fourth side of a box earns one point (marked by their initial in the box) and takes another turn. The game ends when no more lines can be placed. The winner of the game is the player with the most points.

Winner: _____________________________
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Players: 2

Similar to tic-tac-toe, the object is to create the sequence S-O-S either diagonally, horizontally, or vertically, as much as possible. Alternate turns writing either an S or an O in a square. If you succeed in creating an SOS, take another turn, and continue to until no SOS can be created on your turn. The person with the most SOS’s is the winner. Try the bigger grid for more fun!

Winner: ______________________________  Winner: ______________________________  Winner: ______________________________
Join Five

Players: 1 or 2

Alternate turns drawing a five-segment line from four dots already on the grid, and drawing in the fifth dot, either at the end of a new line, or in the middle. No part of a new line can retrace any portion of a previously drawn line. The last player to draw a line segment is the winner. In the single player version, get your score by counting the number of segments drawn, or by calculating the total area of the grid.

Winner: ___________________

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