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# **Otter Games**

Games and play are an essential part of Otter learning. Meetings should include at least one or two "steam-off" games.

# Ice Breaker & Warm Up Games

This is a good way to kick off a meeting and learn names.

#### I Like to Move Like This

This is a great way to learn names and get a little bit of movement into the start of a meeting. Stand in a circle. The first player says "My name is [NAME] and I like to move like this!" and demonstrates a movement. Then everyone says "Hi [NAME]!" and does the same movement. Go around in a circle until everyone has had an opportunity to say their name and do a movement.

# **Steam-Off Games**

These are a good way to break up a meeting and let Otters get some wiggles out.

### **Tag Variations**

#### Everybody's It

In this Freeze Tag variant, everyone runs around trying to tag everyone else at the same time. If you get tagged, you are frozen until the person who tagged you gets tagged, then you are free to run again!

## **Board Games & Card Games**

## Spot It

This is a great game for working on observation. You can easily play with a large group and it is very small and portable, which makes it a perfect option for meetings or camping trips.

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#### **OutFoxed**

This game takes up a little bit more space and has smaller pieces, so it's best to play at a table, but it's a great game for practicing deductive reasoning. It's a 4 player game, but you can easily play with more by using extra player tokens. It's a cooperative rather than a competitive game, which can also promote teamwork and working together.

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