

SECURE THE WATER

OBJECTIVE // Fun group energizer

TIME // 10-20 minutes (depending on the number of people)

GROUP SIZE // 4-80 people in groups of 4

MATERIALS // Small water balloons, enough for 3 out of every 4 people

PREPARATION // Fill water balloons about $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ full

HOW TO PLAY THE GAME //

- For this game participants are divided up into groups of 4.
- Of each group of four - 3 people are "Water Carriers" (who are representing Peasants in the Global South) and 1 person is a "Water Chasers" (who are representing transnational water companies seeking to privatize water).
- For a larger group - the "Water Carriers" should outnumber the "Water Chasers" by a ratio of 3:1 = 3 Carriers for every 1 Chaser. For a smaller group – use a ratio of 2:1.
- Each group of "Water Carriers" receives one small water balloon.
- The "Water Carriers" must keep passing/throwing their water balloon back and forth within their group. Their goal is to keep the balloon from the "Chaser" for 5 min or longer.
- The "Water Chasers" have the task of interrupting the "Carriers" – to catch or grab the water balloons, without touching the "Carriers".
- The game is over when the "Water Chasers" have captured all the water or after 5 minutes (then switch roles), whichever comes first.



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