



**NATIONAL BABY
SAFETY MONTH**
IS THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

APPROXIMATE TOTAL COST

\$20, but ask students to
bring dolls with them.

PLAYERS

Teams of 3

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY



FEMALE FAVORABILITY



RANDOM RELATED HOLIDAY FACT

September is Baby Safety Month,
sponsored annually by the Juvenile
Products Manufacturers Association.
Learn more at www.jpma.org.

THE BIG IDEA:

Flinging babies around the room in an extremely haphazard way and making memories your group won't soon forget, thereby bringing awareness to a seldom addressed infant danger: slingshots. (**We know you know this, but the lawyers told us to remind you: DO NOT USE REAL BABIES!**)

THE STUFF YOU'LL NEED:

- Dolls—preferably life-sized baby dolls
- Large slingshot or water-balloon launcher
- Landing pad or target

THE GAMEPLAY:

Teams of three will send the “baby” of their choice to certain doom by launching it toward the landing pad/target. Best two out of three (or a timed event that results in lots of highflying dolls) will probably work the best. You could also stack empty half-gallon milk cartons and use them as the target. Whichever team knocks down the most milk cartons wins.

THINGS YOU'LL WANT TO WATCH OUT FOR:

Depending on the size of your dolls and slingshot, there may be a learning curve to accurately launch the babies. One idea is to let your students practice before your program starts, so when the actual game begins, they will have some baby-launching experience under their belt.

HOW TO MAKE THIS IDEA EVEN BETTER:

Turn this into a relay race. In the past, we've added these legs:

- Create a stroller obstacle course
- Dress the doll in their clothes
- Put a diaper on the doll
- Chug a baby bottle full of milk
- Launch the “baby” via slingshot into its the arms of its “mom”