

Giant Panda Habitat Building Game

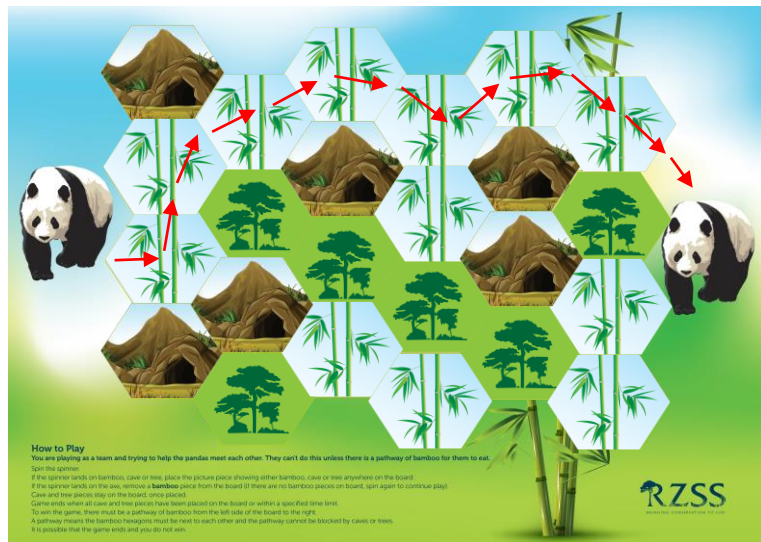
Contents:

- Habitat building game board
- 24 hexagon pieces – 12 bamboo; 6 trees; 6 caves
- 1 spinner card with plastic spinner

Requirements:

- 1 plastic spinner (attach to square spinner card)

The picture shows a possible pathway.



How to Play

It is a team game therefore the group playing are not competing against each other. They are trying to make a pathway of bamboo across the board so the two pandas can meet. The rules and how to play are written on the game board. Remember that trees and caves, once placed on board, do not move. Bamboo can get cut down if they spin an axe. The axe in the game replicates habitat loss.

Extension information -

This game replicates the conservation work being carried out for the giant pandas. Giant pandas used to live throughout south east China but are now only found in some isolated areas in Sichuan, Gansu and Shaanxi. In the past a male panda could meet a female panda, even if they were many miles apart. Giant pandas can travel as long as there is bamboo for them to eat. Now some pandas only living a few miles away from each other may not be able to meet because the bamboo habitat has been destroyed. Bamboo corridors are being reconstructed to try to join up the isolated areas.

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