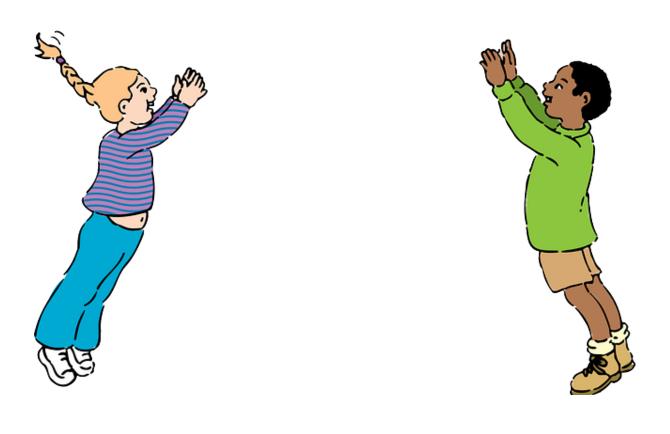
Games we play in Poland





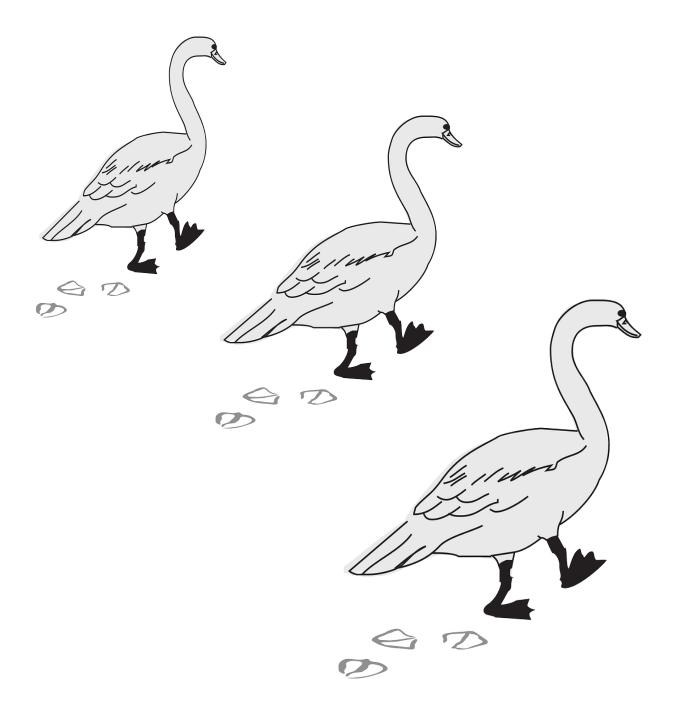


Poland

is a country in central Europe. It is full of tradition. One of them is playing different games, especially by children.

Let us introduce you to some of them. We hope you will enjoy them as much as we do.

Gaski, gaski, do domu!



,Gaski, gaski, do domu' is a game for a group of children, preferably a group of at least five people.



One person becomes mummy-goose, another is a bad, bad wolf. The rest of the children are little geese (in Polish: ,gaski').

bad wolf

Mummy-goose stands on one side of the yard and the geese stay on the other side. The wolf waits on the side somewhere halfway.





Mummy goose calls her little goose home:

- Gaski, gaski, do domu! (Come home, little geese!) They answer:

- Boiny sie! (But we are scared!)
- Czego? (Of what?)
- Wilka ztego. (The bad, bad wolf.)



- Gdzie on mieszka? (Where does it live?)

- Za górami, za lasami. (Far far away.)

- A co on je? (What does it eat?)
 Kości. (Bones.)
- A co on pije? (What does it drink?)
- Pomyje! (Slops!)

- Gaski, gaski, do domu! (Come home, little geese!)





bad wolf and his helpers

Then little geese run as fast as they can

to their nummy-goose and the bad, bad wolf runs among them to catch a little goose. The one caught has to stand aside until the game is finished. However, the little geese caught by the wolf can become the wolf's helpers if they want to - they can catch the other geese too! The last goose left becomes the mummy-

-goose and mummy--goose becomes the bad wolf.









The game is called ciepto-zimno (warm-cold). It's for both bigger and smaller groups of children.



First, one child leaves the room and waits till the rest of the group call them back. Meanwhile, the group hides one previously chosen item somewhere in the room.

The group call the person outside the room back and this person tries to find the item.





The group helps them by saying: 'ciepto', 'cieplej', 'goraco' ('warm', 'warmer', 'hot!') if that person is coming closer and closer to the item.



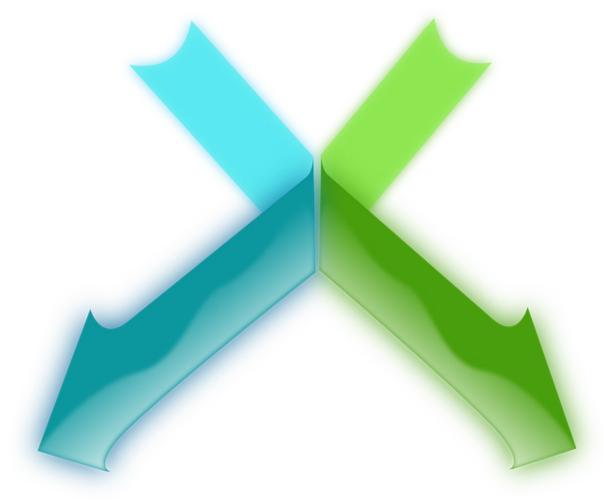






Or: 'zimno', 'zimniej' 'mróz' ('cold', 'colder' 'freezing') when the person looking for the object moves away from it.





Podchody

Podchody is a game you can play both inside and outside but it is often much more fun if you play it outside in the evening.

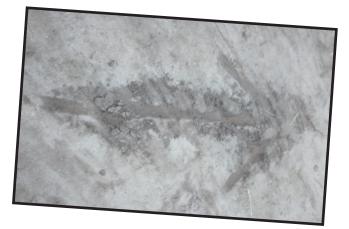


The teams should have even number of people.

The teams decide on the time that Team One have to hiding and the other waits before they set off to seek for them.

Team One is the one who tries to hide from the other. They also leave





signs that let the other team follow them. The signs are

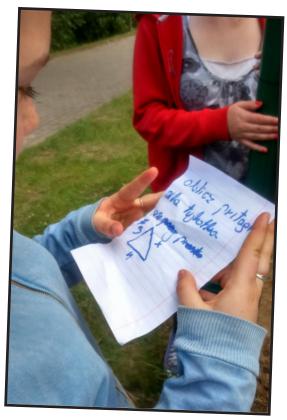


usually arrows drawn with a piece of chalk on the pavement, made of sticks in the forest or in a park or simply drawn on the ground with a stick.



Of course, teams can prepare the arrows on a piece of paper before they start the game but it is extremely important not to leave them behind.





The team leaving traces also leaves some tasks to do along with some of the arrows. These might be, for example, things like: ,, find and bring five peebles", ,, sing a song", ,, stand on your

hands". These tasks should be easy to prove they have been done, photos could be taken or the hiding team could have a spy somewhere checking on those who do the tasks.









The aim of the game is to find the other team and do all the tasks. When it's done, the teams switch the roles.

