How to Play the Piñata Party Game

The piñata party game is bound to be the highlight of the party, whether you are hosting a kids or adults indoor or outdoor party. It’s a great party game idea for birthdays, weddings or any other occasion.

Traditionally, the piñata party game is the “main feature” of a children’s outdoor party game. The exception is when the party area is a large garage, auditorium or other indoor facility of appropriate size.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Make sure you have everything needed to play the piñata game:
   - Piñata
   - Rope
   - Place to suspend the piñata – tree branch, basketball hoop, two adults holding ends of rope with piñata suspended in the middle etc.
   - Piñata fillers – sweets, confetti, small unbreakable toys etc.
   - Decorated piñata busting stick
   - Blindfolds for participants

2. Fill the piñata with the sweets etc. before your guests arrive.
3. Before the party game begins, you may want to use the piñata as a festive centrepiece.
4. Organize the participants in a line, starting with the smallest one all the way to the tallest one. Traditionally, participants over 3 years old are blindfolded, then spun around a few times, provided with the colourful piñata busting stick and let loose to play the party game by hitting the piñata.

For safety’s sake, while a participant is hitting the piñata during the game, all other persons must be kept away (a minimum 15’ radius is recommended) from the hitter. Furthermore, the player should have completely ceased to hit the piñata before you allow the other persons to go grab the goodies spilled on floor. This safety instruction is of utmost importance and cannot be emphasized enough.

5. Allow each player to hit the piñata at least a couple of times before you move on to the next person. To make the piñata party game even more fun, the piñata must be swung up and down, and guests must be encouraged to misdirect the piñata hitter (if the piñata is down, tell the hitter the piñata is up, etc).

You may also want to throw sweets with your hands while the piñata is being hit. To make sure that all players have fun, make sure that everyone has some candy at the end of the game.