

## **Clean the Room**





Developmental Benefits of Play: Cognitive, Physical, Emotional, Social

## Focus Skills/Subject: Speaking, Imagination, Observation, Matching

Grades: 2-7

• Place masking tape down the center of the room and divide the class into two teams.

• On the start signal, have students toss various objects found on their side of the room over the taped line to the other team's side for about 2 minutes. (Be sure kids aren't throwing items directly at another person.)

• At the stop signal, the team with the cleanest side (i.e. the least number of objects on their side) earns a point!

**Pro Tip:** While counting the objects on each side, have the class form a math sentence. For example, if Team 1 has 15 objects on their side and Team 2 has 10 objects, students can say, "Team 1 has more objects because 15 is greater than 10," or "Team 2 has fewer objects because 10 is less than 15." Play multiple rounds.

## Materials:

- Yarn Balls (or other soft objects to throw)
- Masking Tape

This play-based lesson activity was submitted by Shannon Bandish Nash from Ridgemont Elementary.