

# Giant Lizard Egg

"Giant Lizard" is a problem-solving activity that is suited well to a smaller-than-class-size group or multiple smaller groups.

## Materials

1. You will need one "Giant Lizard Egg" for each group. A Giant Lizard Egg is a bowling ball. If you don't happen to have a bowling ball in your recreation equipment storage room at home (Yes, there are people who have such dedicated rooms in their home. We call mine "Matt's Fun Room." It is a seven foot cube in the basement of a fairly large house, and the only room that I truly have a say about decor and contents, but I digress...), you may be able to find one at a place like Goodwill for a couple of bucks.
2. A "nest" for each group. This is a webbing or rope loop about 12 feet in diameter.
3. Many pieces of rope and/or webbing of varying lengths for each group.
4. A "frying pan" for each group. This can be anything that you want the group to move the egg into. It may be a small rope loop, a waste can, etc.

## Set-Up

For each group, place the nest on the floor/ground. Place the Giant Lizard Egg in the middle of the nest. Place the many pieces of varying length rope/webbing on the ground outside of the nest. Place a "frying pan" a distance (however far you think is an appropriate challenge) away from the nest.

## Procedure

Instruct the group(s) to move the Giant Lizard Egg from the nest to the frying pan. Feel free to make up a story about why this must be done. Tell the group that they must adhere to the following parameters:

- No one may touch the ground inside the nest.
- No one may touch the egg.
- The egg may not touch the ground outside of the nest or frying pan.
- Only the pieces of rope and webbing that you provided may be used to move the egg.
- If the egg touches anything other than the rope or webbing you provided while in transit from the nest to the frying pan, the egg must start again in the middle of the nest.