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# Symbol Toss-toss-toss-toss-toss

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**Object of game:** To drop ping pong balls in an oversized egg carton, and identify note and rest values pictures in the cubicles in which they land.

**Things needed:**

- Super-sized egg carton (3 dozen eggs)\*
- 5 ping pong balls (thus the “toss-toss-toss-toss-toss”)
- Large adhesive dots, on which to draw various notes and rests and stick in each cubicle

**To play the game:** The player holds all 5 balls in his or her hands and stands over the egg carton, dropping all of them at one time. As each ball is removed, the player tells the note or rest value, earning that number of points (remember to keep the code available). To add to the excitement, draw red stars on some of the notes and rests, indicating that the value of that one will be instantly doubled.

**Suggestions:** To use the same type game with preschoolers or very young children, use just one ball, and change some of the dots to pictures of things that make noise. The children can identify the pictures as to “sound” or “music.”

\* When you work with children and come upon an oversized egg carton, you *have* to do something with it!

