



# 10 ST PATTY'S DAY MINUTE TO WIN IT GAMES



## SHAMROCK SHAKE

### Items needed:

- A hat with a basket attached to the top
- 20 shamrocks - plastic, or cut from construction paper

### Set up:

Choose one contestant for this game. Place the hat with the basket on his/her head.

### How to play:

It's time to spread the luck of the Irish around! Your task is to jump, shake, and spin your head about until all 20 shamrocks fall out of the basket on your head. You can't turn your head upside down. Complete this task in 60 seconds or less to win.

## IRISH WHO??

### Items needed:

A washcloth

A tub of water

A fresh bar of Irish Spring soap

### How to play:

You hold in your hands a famous brand of Irish soap, but for legal reasons, we can't reveal its name. Help us to keep that name a secret by scrubbing the brand name off the bar of soap. Complete this task in 60 seconds or less, and let the scent of the Irish spring from the soap in your hands.

## GOLD DIGGER

### Items needed:

A large bowl of chocolate mousse (chocolate pudding mixed with Cool Whip will do)

6 yellow M&Ms

### How to play:

The good news is, you found the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. The bad news is, the leprechaun hid his gold in this vat of mousse. Find the 6 golden (yellow) M&Ms hidden in the bowl in 60 seconds or less, and all the gold is yours. Fail to complete this task, and that pesky leprechaun wins!

### Variation:

For an even messier game, don't allow contestants to use their hands!

## THEY'RE AFTER ME LUCKY CHARMS

### Items needed:

Lucky Charms cereal  
A large cereal bowl  
A spoon (optional)

### Set up:

Fill the bowl with Lucky Charms, almost to the top.

### How to play:

Lucky's had his Lucky Charms long enough. It's time for the kids to have their day! Find and recover every Lucky Charm marshmallow in the bowl before you in 60 seconds or less, and all the Lucky Charms are yours.

### Variation:

For a more difficult challenge for the older kids don't let them use their hands, just the cereal spoon.

## LUCKY PUZZLES

### Items needed:

Three Lucky Charms cereal box covers, cut in 6-9 pieces

### Set up:

Each box cover needs to be cut into 6-9 pieces, depending on the age of the kids. Each box should be cut slightly different so there's only one solution for each "puzzle." Then mix all of the puzzle pieces from each box together.

### How to play:

Let's see how lucky you really are. In this puzzle game, you must reassemble three cereal box covers. Each box cover has only one solution, so make sure you get all the pieces in the right place. Complete this challenge in 60 seconds or less, and you may be lucky enough to score a pot of gold on your own - or at least some candy.

**Variation:** For younger kids, you may not want to mix all 3 sets of pieces together. Just have them try to assemble each puzzle individually from 3 separate piles.

## LUCKY COINS

### Items needed:

A leprechaun style hat  
Coins (fake gold coins, or quarters)

### How to play:

To win this game, you'll need a little luck and a lot of bounce. Your task is to bounce six gold coins across the table and land them in the leprechaun's hat. Complete this task in 60 seconds or less, and fabulous riches - or a really nice prize - will be yours.

## SORTIN' O' THE GREEN

### Items needed:

A large bag of M&Ms with green M&Ms in the mix  
A table  
2 buckets/or mixing bowls

### Set up:

Dump all the M&Ms into one bucket.

### How to play:

It's good luck to wear green on St. Patrick's Day - unless you are an M&M! Using only 1 hand pick all the green M&M's out of the full bucket and into the empty bucket. Be careful not to get any of the other colors in the bucket. Complete this task in 60 seconds or less, and a whole bag of M&Ms - green ones and all - will be yours.

## SNAKE TOSS

**Items needed:**

Blindfold

12 toy rubber snakes

**Set up:**

Bring the contestant on stage. Blindfold them, and then toss the 12 snakes on stage around them.

**How to play:**

It's time to make like St. Patrick and chase some snakes out of Ireland - or at least off the stage. In this challenge you will have to locate 12 snakes on stage and toss them off the stage. Sounds easy, except you will have only 60 seconds to complete this task - and you will have to do so blindfolded!

## PINCH ME

**Items needed:**

None

**How to play:**

Time to see who's wearing their green and who's not. In this challenge, there won't be any pinching, but you do need to find everyone NOT wearing green. You have 60 seconds to get everyone in the room not wearing green on stage. Complete this challenge in 60 seconds or less and you'll get a prize so cool, you'll pinch yourself to make sure you're not dreaming.

**Variation:**

For large groups of 30 or more you may want to give the contestant a specific number such as "Find 10 people not wearing green."

# DROP THE GOLD

**Item needed:**

A penny

**Set up:**

Choose one contestant for this game. Have them hold their hands out in front of them, fingers spread and pressed together. Then have them fold back their middle fingers inward, pointing to their wrists, with the middle finger knuckles stuck together. Once their fingers are in place, slip the penny in between their ring finger tips.

**How to play:**

A tricky leprechaun has left you with a task: if you can let the piece of gold slip out of your fingers, without moving your middle fingers you can have the whole pot. But it's not as easy as it looks. You have 60 seconds to try and release the gold, or you'll lose out on any gold!