

Watermelon Seed Spitting Contest

Turn any sunny summer day into a fun and special occasion by having a watermelon seed spitting contest! It's remarkable that some fresh watermelon and just a few other items could be used to create an afternoon of fun for the entire family.

What You Need:

- Watermelon (not seedless!)
- White paper
- Markers
- Large knife
- Measuring tape
- Chalk

What You Do:

1. Invite your child to gather the ingredients for the seed spitting contest. He can get started creating a scorecard to keep track of each participant's seed spitting distance.
2. Help your child use a large knife to cut the watermelon into several slices, making sure each one has lots and lots of seeds.
3. Remember, watermelon seeds can be a choking hazard, so make sure those participating in the seed spitting contest are over three years of age!
4. Now your child can find the perfect spot for the seed spitting contest—a driveway works wonderfully. He can use a piece of chalk to mark where the participants should stand.
5. Each person can take a turn standing on the line while eating a slice of watermelon, and spitting the seeds. Your child can use the measuring tape to measure and mark the distances. Not only is he having fun participating in a game, but he's also learning more about measurement.



Once everyone has had a turn, your child can announce the winner—and offer a special winning treat!