

# Cross the Canyon!

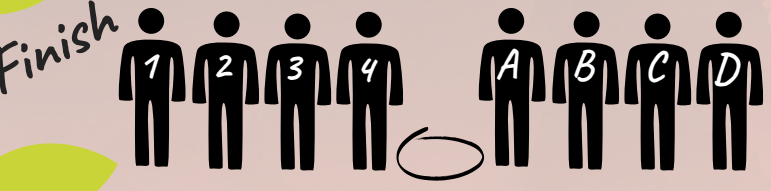
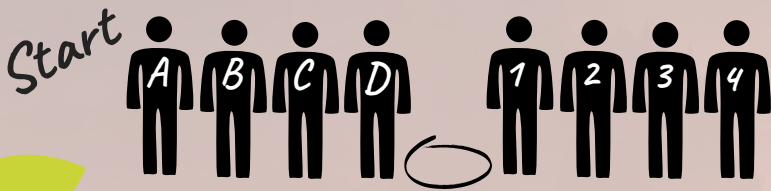
## Aim:

Imagine your two teams are standing at **opposite sides** of a great big canyon, and you need to **switch sides** with the other team. But your team members are lined up like packhorses and you can't **change order** now! It's going to take some mighty fine **planning** if you're going to pull this switcheroo off, as well as some top notch **cooperation** and **communication** with the team on the other side. Will you make it across the canyon?

Remember to wash your hands after playing!

## Directions:

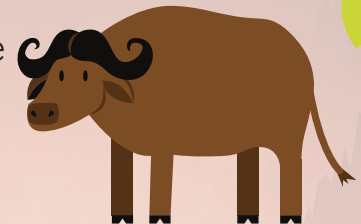
- 1 Gather up an **even number** of players. You need at least 8, and 20 max.
- 2 Split the players **in half** into two smaller teams, the **Thorns** and the **Bridges**.
- 3 **Number** all the Thorns from 1 upwards. Give all the Bridges a **letter**, starting from A.
- 4 Everyone has to remember their number or letter. If someone asks - "What are you?" - **call out** your letter or number and **show them**, too, using your hands or your whole body. Everyone practice now!
- 5 Both groups **line up** in number or letter order, one behind the other, with the Thorns facing the Bridges. Leave an empty space between the two groups (mark it out using a hula hoop / skipping rope / jumper).



6 The goal is for the groups to **swap sides**, and end up across the canyon all still in the **correct order**. But there are a few rules!

## Rules:

- 1 No moving **backwards**
- 2 A player can only move forwards to an **empty** space
- 3 A person can't 'jump over' their **own** team mate
- 4 Only **one** player can move at a time
- 5 One spot per player, **no sharing**
- 6 If any of these rules are **broken**, the game starts again



Good luck!

Ready, steady, go!