

## Romanian Traditional Games

Children's traditional street games refer to the cumulative culture created by young children. This body of knowledge is passed down from one generation of children to the next. It is most common in children between the ages of seven and twelve who are traditionally free to "play out" in the streets. Children's street culture is invented and largely sustained by children themselves.

Here is one of the many traditional games that Romanian children are still playing.

### The Castle

Two children teams are involved. The first one put five stones one on another building up "a castle". The second team throws the ball at the castle. If they put it down, they put the ball near it and run away. The first team tries to rebuild the castle. Meanwhile the children of the second team hit them with the ball. If the first team doesn't succeed in rebuilding it, they are the losers and the second team gains a point. And on the other hand the second team loses if the first team rebuilds the castle gaining one point. The game goes on. The winner is the team with the best result.

