Coconut Shy

(1 of 2 games using the same materials)

Ask Captain (adult) to save empty food cans before they go into the recycling box.



Carefully remove the paper labels and wash in soapy water.

Be careful not to touch any sharp edges.

Leave to dry.



Using Duct Tape, cover over any sharp edges.

Can you find a small ball?

A tennis ball would do if you're playing outdoors in your garden.

A bean bag/juggling ball would be better if you're playing indoors.



Line up your tins to make a Coconut Shy. This game dates back to late in the 19th century.

(John Muir may have seen it played at a fairground or some other event).

We don't have coconuts so we're using building blocks instead.

We could take turns to try to knock down a building block.

The winner is the person who can build the highest tower.

Have fun!