

# Bucket Ball Instructions

## SUPPLIES

- Six 5-gallon painter buckets (only one is needed for the pocket proxe)
- Wiffle ball
- Three levels of prizes based on difficulty. (stickers, candy, small games)
- Masking tape

## SET UP

Arrange buckets like bowling pins (or beer pong)  
Have a line of tape for people to stand behind when they throw the ball.

## OBJECTIVE

Be fun and create a bit of a spectacle so that people gather around. Having fun builds trust with non-Christians. The idea is that everyone gets to win, so let them shoot multiple times or move closer.

## GAME PLAY

Invite everyone to play the game: *“Come play bucket ball!”*

Give them instructions: *“You throw the ball in the bucket. If you make it in, I ask you a question and you win a prize. The front bucket is the most difficult, so it gets the nicest prize.”*

After they make it in, ask them a fun question (see below). Be ready to answer it yourself.

## PRO-TIPS

- The game attracts more people if there are already people playing it. Feel free to have InterVarsity students play while a greeter invites people in.
- You might ask if people are athletes and have them throw from a greater distance to make it more competitive and fun.
- Prepare a few questions that vary from light and fun to more personal. You could choose something funny if someone seems more hesitant, or something more personal for someone who has been more interactive in bucket ball.



## SAMPLE QUESTIONS

(feel free to brainstorm others with your students ahead of time)

Surface Level (*insert your favorite ice-breaker question*)

- If you were going to sing karaoke, what song would you choose?
- If you could have one superpower, what would it be and why?
- What does your dream life look like?
- What is the best gift you have given or received?
- If you won the lottery, what is the first thing you would buy?

Going Deeper

- What do you feel most passionate about?
- What are the three most important nouns in your life (person, place, or thing)?
- If life is chaotic and you want to go somewhere peaceful, where do you go?
- What is a favorite childhood memory?