

## Jungschi - eine spritzige Sache



### **Water slide**

Every summer quarter we look forward to a really hot sunny Jungschi afternoon. This is the time for frolicking in the water, swimming, or even a little river ride on the rubber boat.

But why not have some water action without the tedious water search? Do you think a rubber dinghy would whiz down the meadow at breakneck speed?

A friend excitedly told me about a water slide that could be a big hit with little effort. We decided to try this out at our boys' school. Lo and behold, it actually became a mega hit!

### **Material - Procedure - Hints**

#### **Material**

- Garden hose and water
- Plastic sheeting, tarpaulins, etc. (width at least 2 m or wider, length 5 m or longer)
- Durable bathing suit!

#### **Proceed**

- Lay the plastic on a small slope and weigh down the corners with rocks.
- Take the garden hose and run the water over it.
- When all the plastic is wet, you can now take a running start and whiz down on your butt.
- It's best to always try to slide down in about the same spot, then over time you'll create a real channel and so your speed will increase!
- Another option is to have many children start at once.
- Care should be taken to ensure that there is enough room to swerve at the end.

## Notes

- Don't pick too steep a slope, or the pace will be too fast.
- Make sure the ground is soft (e.g. meadow), otherwise you'll get a blue bottom
- Calculate enough time, at least an hour You do not need large amounts of water, a garden hose is enough.
- Meadows with nettles and bees are to be avoided.

If you haven't done a courtship afternoon in a while, this would be a super opportunity for outside kids to get to know your Jungschi better. There may be other water games to include in the program. However, we have found that it is good to offer the slide as the main attraction!

Have fun trying it out!

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