

Game: **Off Balance**

Discussion: Not pushing people away from Jesus

YOU WILL NEED: *No items needed.*

Off Balance

SAY: We are going to play a game that uses two people at a time.

Choose two volunteers—to stand toe to toe. Then they clasp hands so that their fingers are woven together. On your signal, the partners attempt to push or pull each other off balance. The first person to move his or her foot loses the round. Then keep the winner up front and choose a new challenger. Play several times.

SAY: In the game you were trying to throw each other off-balance. In life that would be like someone pushing you the wrong way.

Ask the students: **What are some things that a Christian could do to push people away from knowing and growing with Jesus?** (Instead of helping them, you hurt them or call them names or are mean to them. Instead of encouraging others by living for Jesus, you hold them back by doing things that are wrong.)

SAY: With your life you can either be the type of person who helps others up or you can be the type that helps others fall. But if you choose to be the type who doesn't walk with Jesus, you'll miss out on all the great things God has in store for you.