Games to play at Red Hat Events

Red Hat Dice Game

You will need one dice, as well as a pen and paper for each lady. Each lady will roll the dice and draw the body part that corresponds with that number. You can either play it so that you need to draw the parts in order (feet to hat or hat to feet), or you can play it so that they can draw any part in any order (which could make a funny result!). If a part has already been drawn, they can’t do anything that turn and must wait for their next turn.

Roll a 1 – draw a hat with decorations
Roll a 2 – draw the head
Roll a 3 – draw the face & hair
Roll a 4 – draw the upper torso & blouse
Roll a 5 – draw a skirt
Roll a 6 – draw legs/feet/shoes

The Name Game

Have stickers with various famous people's names on them. As everyone arrives to the event, place a sticker on their back, and they need to ask questions (that can only be answered "yes" or "no") to guess which famous person they have on their sticker. Once they have guessed they can remove the sticker.

You could give a prize to the first person to correctly guess who they are, or give a small prize to everyone when they correctly guess.
Handbag Scavenger Hunt

Place some scrabble tiles (or pieces of paper with each letter of the alphabet written on them) in a bowl or bag (1 of each letter). The ladies gathered around have their handbag with them. When you call out a letter chosen from the bowl, the ladies search their handbags to find something starting with that letter. Eg “L” might be lipstick, “P” might be a pen… The winner is the person with the most found items.

My Life in a Bag

Everyone brings a bag that contains little mementos or trinkets from their life. Everyone takes turns to show these items around and explain their significance in that person's life. For example they could be photos, trophies, awards, ticket stubs… anything!

If The Hat Fits

Everyone has to list all the expressions/phrases they can think of that contain the word “HAT”. Prize awarded to the person who can think of the most.

Some examples:

- HAT in hand
- Toss your HAT into the ring
- A tip of the HAT
- HATS off to you
- Talking through your HAT
- Mad as a HATTER
- Ugly as a HAT full of a-holes
- Wear many HATS
- I’ll eat my HAT
- Keep it under your HAT
- At the drop of a HAT
- Does the Pope wear a funny HAT?
- HAT in hand
- Here’s your HAT, what’s your hurry?
- Home is where you hang your HAT
- Pass the HAT
- Watch me pull a rabbit out of my HAT
- His head’s too big for his HAT
- HAT trick (ice hockey term)
- Cat in the Hat
Pass the paper / continue the story

One lady (perhaps the Queen) starts writing a story, by writing one word or one line of the story on a piece of paper. The paper is then passed to the next person, who adds their word/line and so on until everyone has had a turn. It can continue around again or the story be read out then.

Variation #1 – The paper is folded so that people cannot read the previous lines that have been written, so nobody will know what the story is about until it is read out.

Variation #2 – They will each take turns to write their answer to questions below then fold the paper over to hide that answer and pass the paper to the person on their left, who answers the next one and so on. When the last question has been answered, the story is read out.

1. An adjective describing a person’s appearance or character
2. The name of a woman
3. The word “met” and an adjective describing another person’s appearance and character
4. The name of a man
5. The word “at” and the place the woman met the man
6. The circumstance under which they met
7. The word “in” and when the met
8. The words, ”He said to her…”, together with whatever he said
9. The words “And she replied…”, together with whatever she said
10. What he did then
11. What she did then
12. The words, “And the consequence was….“ With detail of the consequence
13. The words, “And the moral of the story is…..”
The Ladies Game

Each lady has a pen and paper to keep track of her score. As the rhyme is read out, the ladies will add or subtract points from their total according to the answers. The player with the most points wins.

This is a rather peculiar game,
It really does not have a name
It's simple to play as a game should be
You just do as you're told, you see
So now if you'll please give me your attention
We'll put an end to this suspension
In the end, whoever scores the most
Will receive a prize of which to boast

Now since you're all fashionable girls
Give yourself 5 if you have any pearls
You may add 3 if your toes peek out
And earrings will give you 2 more to shout
Score yourself 5 if you show any red
Add 6 more for a curl on your head
Now before you think you are going to win
Take away 2 for each safety pin
Give yourself 6 if your pants are tight
Add 1 for a scarf which is just about right
Add 5 more if your shoes are black
And take away 3 for a zipper in back
Now count all your buttons, for each you get 2
And take away 1 for each button that's blue
Give yourself 5 if your heels are high
And why not take 10 for the green in your eye
10 more points for a rose on your clothes
Take away 5 if you forgot to wear hose
This is the end...there isn't anymore
Who is the lucky lady with the highest score?
Famous Couples

A great ice breaker and way for ladies to get to know each other.

Have the names of famous couples on separate pieces of paper. Put these into a hat and each person draws one piece of paper. They then have to find who their partner is and get to know them.

Some suggested couples:

- Brad Pitt & Angelina Jolie
- Prince William & Kate Middleton
- Kermit & Miss Piggy
- Barbie & Ken
- Superman & Lois Lane
- Mickey & Minnie
- John Lennon & Yoko Ono
- David Beckham & Victoria Beckham
- Michael Douglas & Catherine Zeta-Jones
- Romeo & Juliet
- Cleopatra & Mark Antony
- Lancelot & Guinevere
- Fred Flintstone & Wilma Flintstone

Guessing Jars

Have about 10 small jars (baby food jars or other similar size) with different kitchen items in each (no duplicates). Things like sugar, poppy seeds, cocoa, cinnamon, salt, instant coffee, etc. Number each jar.

Give each person playing a sheet of paper numbered to write their guesses of what each one is. You cannot open the jar to smell, feel or taste. After tallying correct names, a prize is awarded to the person who correctly guessed the most.

Name That Baby

Each lady brings a photo of themselves as a baby. Each photo then gets numbered and placed somewhere where everyone can see them. Keep a list of the numbers and corresponding names hidden away.

Everyone then guesses who the photos are. Give a prize to the one who can identify the most pictures.
Musical Bag O' Clothes

Take a large bag (that is not transparent enough to see what's inside) and fill it with an assortment of odd/unusual types of clothing articles. Items such as bras, swimsuits, girdles, baggy pants, men's trousers, wigs, hats, etc....

Have the ladies sit in a circle so it's easy for them to pass the bag around to each other. They pass the bag around in one direction, to music. When the music stops, whoever is holding the bag has to reach in without looking and pull out an item. Whatever they pull out, they have to put on and wear.

Continue until you run out of items, then vote on who is wearing the wackiest outfit. You can give a prize if you want.

Replace Your Darling Husband

Hand everyone a piece of paper and ask them to write down an appliance they wish they could replace and 5 reasons why they want to replace that item. (Such as refrigerator, car, television, vacuum, etc.)

When they've finished that, tell them to replace the name of the appliance with the name of their husband and read the whole thing aloud.
Sitting Scavenger Hunt

Everyone needs to tally up how many points they have, by adding or removing points according to the following lists (use one or the other):

Mobile phone? Is it on? -9 points
Is it OFF? +9 points.
4 points for each piece of jewellery
5 points for your red hat
4 Bonus points if your wore it from home
3 points for each article of Purple attire
3 points for a Hat Pin
9 points for a nametag
2 points for a cloth handkerchief
1 more point if it has purple or red
6 points for a pair of gloves
5 points for toe nail polish
4 points for lipstick
3 points for each red accessory
3 points if you've given yourself a title
2 points if your attire was scavenged

Any Jewellery Item (5 points each)
Anything CHOCOLATE (20 points)
ANYTHING PURPLE (25 points)
ANYTHING RED (25 points)
Band-aid (5 points)
Breath Mints (5 points per pack)
Calculator (10 points)
Calendar (10 points)
Mobile Phone (10 points)
Chap stick of Lip Balm (5 points)
Chewing Gum (5 points per pack)
Comb or Brush (5 points)
Emery Board (5 points)
Hand Lotion (5 points)
KITCHEN SINK!!! (100 points)
Measuring Tape (5 points)
Pen or Pencil (5 points each)
Perfume (5 points)
PICS of Children/Grandchildren (5 each)
RED Lipstick (10 points)
Safety Pin (5 points each)
Salt, Pepper of Ketchup (5 points each)
Scissors (5 points)
Shopping List (5 points)
Tissues (5 points per pack)
Red Hat Regalia Game

Count all the regalia you have on today! The largest number wins!!!

- If you wore a red, purple, lavender or pink hat today, give yourself 50 points.
- Give yourself 5 points for each red, purple, pink or lavender hat you own.
- Give yourself 10 points for each article of clothing you have on that is red, purple, pink or lavender.
- A properly dressed woman would not step out of the house without purple, red, pink or lavender shoes – so give yourself 5 points for each foot that is covered in our colors (that's a maximum of 10 points in case you are wondering!)
- Often, you have a purse, handbag or totebag to match in purple, red, pink or lavender – give yourself 10 points for small, 20 points for medium, and 30 points for large!
- Was it raining outside? Did you bring a red, purple, lavender or pink umbrella to keep your hat dry? Take 10 points for that.
- 1 point for each hat emblem/design on anything you have – if it is a scarf, hair tie, ribbon, material that has hats allllll over it, make it easy on your brain, just give yourself 50 points. Otherwise, you just get 1 point for each hat emblem/design.
- 1 point for each feather – again, if you have a boa or hat with feathers all over, let's not tax ourselves, just take 50 points. Otherwise, you just get 1 point for each feather.
- Ladies with gloves, add another 10 points.
- Is your lipstick red or pink? You get another 5 points.
- Did you paint your fingernails, add 1 point for each nail. If they are painted red, pink, lavender or purple, add another 1 point for each nail. And finally, if they are your OWN and not fake, double that figure.
- While we're at it, we can't forget our painted toenails, now can we? Go ahead and add 1 point for each painted toenail. If they are painted red, pink, lavender or purple, add another 1 point for each nail.
- If your spectacles are red, purple, lavender or pink add another 5 points.
- Is that sparkle in your eyes due to fake eyelashes? If so, add another 5 points.
- Did you remember to carry a hanky? 10 points if you did. If it is red, purple, lavender or pink, add 15 points.
• Give yourself 15 points for any item you have brought that is sequined.
• If you have anything on your person that blinks with a light, add 10 points for it.
• We can't forget our jewelry either, so give yourself 5 points for each piece of jewellery that you have on.
• Did you bring a Red Hat mascot along? That friendly gesture deserves at least 25 points.
• Red Hatters are always happy and make happy sounds wherever we go…especially when we play our Kazoo's. Did you remember to bring yours? Add 10 points.
• Now, let's get personal. Add the amount of the most money you have spent on any one Red Hat item that you've bought. Use whole dollars and be honest.
• Now, let's get a little more personal. If you have on purple, pink, lavender or red underwear or bra, You go Girl! And give yourself 20 points for each!
• Now let's get really personal. Add your age and finally, add your weight!!!

OK. Now add up your score and see how you did?

This and That Game

Players sit in a circle. First player asks something that is "This" or "That", The next player answers and asks the next player "This" or "That". Continue playing until everyone has a turn, or keep going just to see how silly it can get.

Example:

Player 1 "Meat or Vegetables"
Player 2 "Meat" — "Cotton or Flannel"
Player 3 "Flannel" — "Soft Cheese or Hard Cheese"
Player 4 "Soft" — "Popcorn or Crackers"
Player 5 "Popcorn" …. and so on and so on......
Name that cake

Each lady has a piece of paper, and writes their answer to which cake these could be.

1. Found on the ocean floor 1. Sponge
2. It’s a small boy’s game 2. Marble
3. A heavenly body 3. Angel Food
4. What you might call a little imp 4. Devil’s Food
5. Make the bottom the top 5. Upside Down
6. A mouse would like this 6. Cheese
7. Think diamonds 7. Carrot
10. This is not tall 10. Short
11. This one is made of fabric 11. Chiffon
12. This is an annual event 12. Birthday
13. Little girls are made of this 13. Sugar/Spice
14. Monkey would like this one 14. Banana
15. A calendar supplies this one 15. Date

Drawn Together

Each lady is given a piece of paper and either a small pack of pencils/crayons each, or have a container of them on the table for everyone to use.

The ladies are all told to look at each other, to remember what they look like – what clothing they are wearing and what accessories etc. (so that they aren't caught looking at their person later)

Each lady then picks a name at random from the hat – this is who they will draw on their piece of paper.

After everyone has finished their drawings, the drawings are held up for everyone to see, one by one. If a lady guesses correctly that the picture is of them, they get a prize. If they are also able to guess who drew the picture, that person also gets a prize. A prize can be awarded to the person who gets the most correct guesses.
Name that Pie

Each lady has a piece of paper, and writes their answer to which cake these could be.

1. Cinderella
2. Greedy
3. Palm tree
4. Little Bo Peep
5. Flowing river
6. Sour face
7. Monkey’s
8. Uncle scrooge
9. Little Jack Horner
10. Up river
11. Type of material
12. Halloween
13. Adam & Eve
14. Children’s
15. Hawaiian
16. Irish
17. Tom sawyer’s
18. English complexion
19. Red nose
20. Pie in the sky
21. Coward
22. Shortcake’s
23. Dried grape
24. Underwater

1. Pumpkin
2. Pork
3. Date
4. Lamb
5. Currant
6. Lemon/Lime
7. Banana
8. Duck
9. Plum
10. Salmon
11. Chiffon
12. Pumpkin
13. Apple
14. Mud
15. Pineapple/Coconut
16. Potato
17. Huckleberry
18. Peach
19. Deer
20. Pigeon
21. Custard
22. Strawberry
23. Raisin/Currant/Sultana
24. Seafood
Have you ever

Score 1 point for each answer you answer “yes” to. Person with either the most or least points wins. Or you can have everyone sitting down, and stand up when they answer yes. The winner is the last person left sitting down.

- Called your significant other by the wrong name?
- Lost a member of the family in the shopping centre?
- Locked the keys in your car?
- Turned whites pink (or another colour) in the wash?
- Let your bath water over flow?
- Forgotten to wear deodorant… all day?
- Had your zipper break in public?
- Gone somewhere with two different socks on?
- Fallen up the stairs?
- Forgotten your home phone number?
- Got into the car to go somewhere and forgot where you were going?
- Put something in the oven to bake and forgot about it?
- Forgot to pick up your kids after school?
- Run out of petrol?
- Gone shopping in your Pjs (as an adult)?
- Lied about your age?
- Worn black lacy knickers?
- Played a guitar (to any degree)?
- Worn braces on your teeth?
- Pawned anything?
- Come home to find out you’ve worn your top inside out all day?
- Stayed awake for 24 hours straight?
- Met a celebrity?
- Broken a bone?
- Performed on stage?
- Ridden a camel or elephant?
- Forgotten where you parked the car?
- Locked yourself out of the house?
- Put something unusual in the freezer?
- Made a prank phone call?
- Driven a car before you had your license?
- Hitchhiked?
- Gone skinnydipping?