

Using Raffle Tickets:

Some tips from Steve Sugar, The Game Expert

Raffle tickets can be an effective way to encourage on-going participation. Use these tickets for prize drawings anytime during your session — after game play, following a break or at the end of the program.

Tip 1: Everyone can win!

Give one raffle ticket to ALL participants at the beginning of the session. Following game play, award winning players additional tickets. Also, award a raffle ticket for exceptional participation or insights. Then have final drawings at the close of the session.

This gives everyone a chance to win the prize drawing, with a slight edge to game winners and random awardees.

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Tip 2: Award "return-from-break" prizes

Collect one ticket from each participant. Place all tickets in a bowl. Announce the ticket drawing by ringing a bell or with a noisemaker. Select a ticket, but only award the prize to participants who are in the room. This encourages timely return from breaks.

p. 13, *Training Games*, Sugar and Whitcomb

Tip 3: Immediately Identify Winners

Have each participant sign the back of the ticket. This allows you to immediately identify the winner and eliminates the frantic search for tickets that usually accompany a prize drawing.