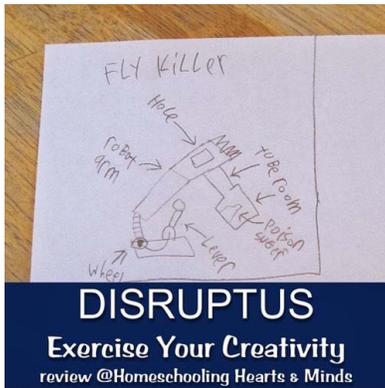
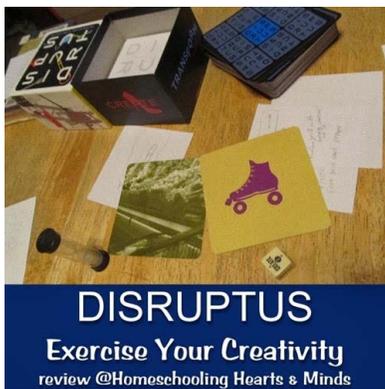
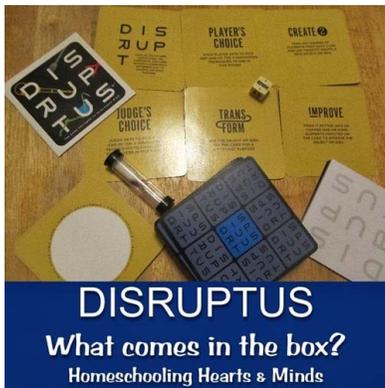


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*A very different take on the flyswatter*

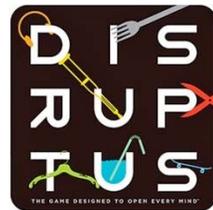


My kids have found their new favorite thing. Let's just hope that it doesn't lead to a disruption in the fabric of time and space...

How would you like to play a game that encourages you to reimagine the purposes of common, everyday objects or to combine them with other things to create brand new, never heard of inventions?

When I was first offered the opportunity to review **DISRUPTUS** from Funnybone Toys, I knew that my 13-year-old would love the creative possibilities...I hadn't realize that it would be a hit with every kid in the household, right down to the 4-year-old.

It's true that the 4-year-old mainly copied the other kids' ideas...but copying genius is a worthwhile endeavor, don't you think?



### **DISRUPTUS**

retails for \$24.99

recommended for ages 10-99

### **What comes in the box?**

100 square image cards

10 blank cards (you can add your own images)

6 guide cards (they tell you what your die roll means)

1 special die

1 minute timer

1 idea pad

1 set of "rules"

The images are of simple, everyday objects that you might find around your house or out and about. About half are photographs and half are clipart.

The cards are large. I'd say about 3" square. No, I'm not going to measure them for you. But they are large, and difficult to shuffle, but easy to see when laid out on a table.

You will want to shuffle them because the photographs are at one end of the deck and the clipart is at the other end. I'd recommend splitting them into smaller groups and shuffling a bit at a time before stacking them.

The die is also larger than the average die and easy to read.

### **How you play:**

Ok, this is a little squiggly. I'm going to tell you how we play, which is a variation on the actual rules---I love games that aren't too fixated on exact rules (they had us at the rule pamphlet by the way...I'll leave that as a little surprise for you in case you find **DISRUPTUS** under your Christmas tree).

For each round there's a "judge" (I play judge for all rounds and the kids do the inventing). I roll the die and then flip 1 or 2 cards depending on what it lands on.

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*Yes, I really did slap an edit over my child who runs around in nothing but her underwear.*

The guide cards explain what each side of the die means:

**DISRUPT:** Come up with a completely new way to achieve the same purpose as the object on the card.

**Create 2:** Flip 2 cards and combine some aspect of each into something brand new.

**Improve:** Make the object on the card better in some way---add or change one or more elements to improve it.

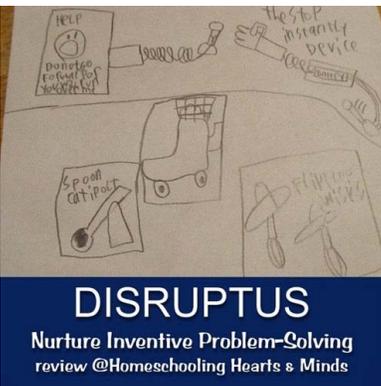
**Transform:** Invent a new use for picture on the card.

**Player's Choice:** Each player chooses which of the above to do. (Judge flips 2 cards.)

**Judge's Choice:** The judge chooses which of the above the players must do. (Judge flips 1 or 2 cards depending on what option she chooses.)

Once the cards are flipped and everyone knows what the "mode" is, the timer is flipped, and players have a minute to draw or think out their inventions.

And I start tapping the timer. And forget to notice that it's run out. Oh well. ;)



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### What I love about **DISRUPTUS:**

You can play competitively or not.

You can play just a few rounds. Or play round after round after round.

You can play it with just about any number of players.

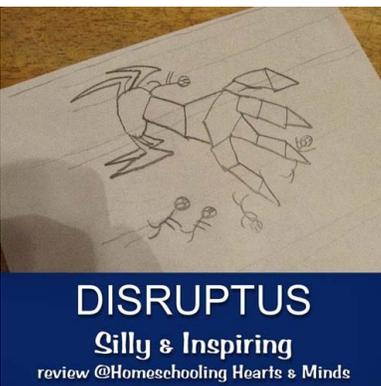
Every single round is completely and randomly different.

The kids never stop thinking and they never stop laughing.

It's perfect for boys.

If you have boys, you need **DISRUPTUS**.

This is one game the kids love every time we play it.



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**DISRUPTUS** is available from Funny Bone Toys for \$24.99.

Check out my review of Arrazzles, also from Funnybone Toys here.

These would make great gift ideas for the kids on your Christmas list.

*Disclosure: I received a free copy of this game from Funnybone Toys in order to facilitate my review. I received no other compensation. All opinions expressed here are my own.*