

Children's Games Denmark

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- The kids teams are sitting around the outside of the room. Each team on a slip of paper writes down a fish name.
- The whales begin to circle the room; calling out fish names (ex. Koi, herring, dolphin, tuna, etc). Any pair that has the name of the fish that was called will stand up. Then they fall in behind the whales as the march around the room.
- After all the fish names have been called and everyone is in the line; the whales call out: "A storm is coming, head for home!"
- All players behind the whales run for the chairs. The pairs cannot separate; they must stay in pairs and find seats together. Which ever couple that can not find chairs together – they become the whales for the next game.
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