

HONEST UMPIRE CHALLENGE

Cricket can be fast, tricky and exciting! In [Spid the Spider Challenges for the Cricket Cup](#), the players learn that being honest and fair is just as important as scoring runs. But can children make the right call? So challenge your children and empower them to play fair with **Spid's Honest Umpire Challenge!**

Spid's Honest Umpire Challenge helps children practice:

- decision-making
- honesty and integrity
- understanding rules
- empathy and discussion
- sportsmanship and fair play

HOW TO PLAY SPID'S HONEST UMPIRE CHALLENGE

Describe the following cricket situations to your children and ask them to decide whether a player is ...

OUT or NOT OUT

or whether the situation is ...

FAIR PLAY or CHEATING?

- Can they make the right decision like a real umpire?

WHY THIS CHALLENGE MATTERS

- A great cricket player should:
 - ✓ play fairly
 - ✓ tell the truth
 - ✓ respect the umpire
 - ✓ respect the rules
 - ✓ be kind to teammates and opponents
- Spid knows that winning feels great... but winning fairly feels even better!

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TEN HONEST UMPIRE CHALLENGES

Here are ten cricketing situations to judge! Get more than eight correct and win an Honest Umpire Award!

Challenge #1 - The batter hits the ball and it flies into the air. A fielder catches it before it bounces.

What's your decision?

- OUT or NOT OUT
- FAIR PLAY or CHEATING

Challenge #2 - A player says they caught the ball... but really it bounced first.

What's your decision?

- FAIR PLAY or CHEATING
- OUT or NOT OUT

Challenge #3 - The batter accidentally steps in front of the stumps and stops the ball with their leg.

What's your decision?

- OUT or NOT OUT

Challenge #4 - The batter hits the ball and runs. The fielders knock over the stumps before the batter gets back.

What's your decision?

- OUT or NOT OUT

Challenge #5 - The bowler bowls the ball, but their foot is over the line.

What's your decision?

- FAIR BALL or NO BALL

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TEN HONEST UMPIRE CHALLENGES CONT'D

Challenge #6 - The batter hits the ball and it rolls all the way to the boundary rope.

What's your decision?

- 4 RUNS or 6 RUNS

Challenge #7 - The batter hits the ball high into the air and it goes over the boundary without bouncing.

What's your decision?

- 4 RUNS or 6 RUNS

Challenge #8 - A fielder stops the ball with their cap and saves runs.

What's your decision?

- FAIR PLAY or CHEATING

Challenge #9 - The batter misses the ball, but starts running anyway. The other batter runs too and they swap ends safely.

What happens?

- NO RUN or 1 RUN

Challenge #10 - The batter hits the ball behind them and it brushes their bat before the wicketkeeper catches it.

What's your decision?

- OUT NOT OUT

Bonus Challenge #11 - Your best friend on your team says, "Pretend you didn't see me step over the line!"

What's your decision?

- FAIR PLAY or CHEATING

HONEST UMPIRE CHALLENGE ANSWERS

Challenge #1 - The batter hits the ball and it flies into the air. A fielder catches it before it bounces.

- Answer: **OUT!**
- Answer: **FAIR PLAY!**

Challenge #2 - A player says they caught the ball... but really it bounced first.

- Answer: **CHEATING!**
- Answer: **NOT OUT!**

Challenge #3 - The batter accidentally steps in front of the stumps and stops the ball with their leg.

- Answer: **OUT!**

Challenge #4 - The batter hits the ball and runs. The fielders knock over the stumps before the batter gets back.

- Answer: **OUT!** (*Run Out*)

Challenge #5 - The bowler bowls the ball, but their foot is over the line.

- Answer: **NO BALL!**
- A bowler must keep part of their foot behind the line.

Challenge #6 - The batter hits the ball and it rolls all the way to the boundary rope.

- Answer: **4 RUNS!**
- The ball touched the ground before the boundary.

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ANSWERS CONT'D

Challenge #7 - The batter hits the ball high into the air and it goes over the boundary without bouncing.

- Answer: **6 RUNS!**
- A huge hit! 🏏💥

Challenge #8 - A fielder stops the ball with their cap and saves runs.

- Answer: **CHEATING!**
- Players must not use hats or clothing to stop the ball.

Challenge #9 - The batter misses the ball, but starts running anyway. The other batter runs too and they swap ends safely.

- Answer: **1 RUN!** (*A bye*)
- They can still score if they run safely.

Challenge #10 - The batter hits the ball behind them and it brushes their bat before the wicketkeeper catches it.

- Answer: **OUT!** (*Caught behind*)

Bonus Challenge #11 - Your best friend on your team says, "Pretend you didn't see me step over the line!"

- Answer: **CHEATING!**