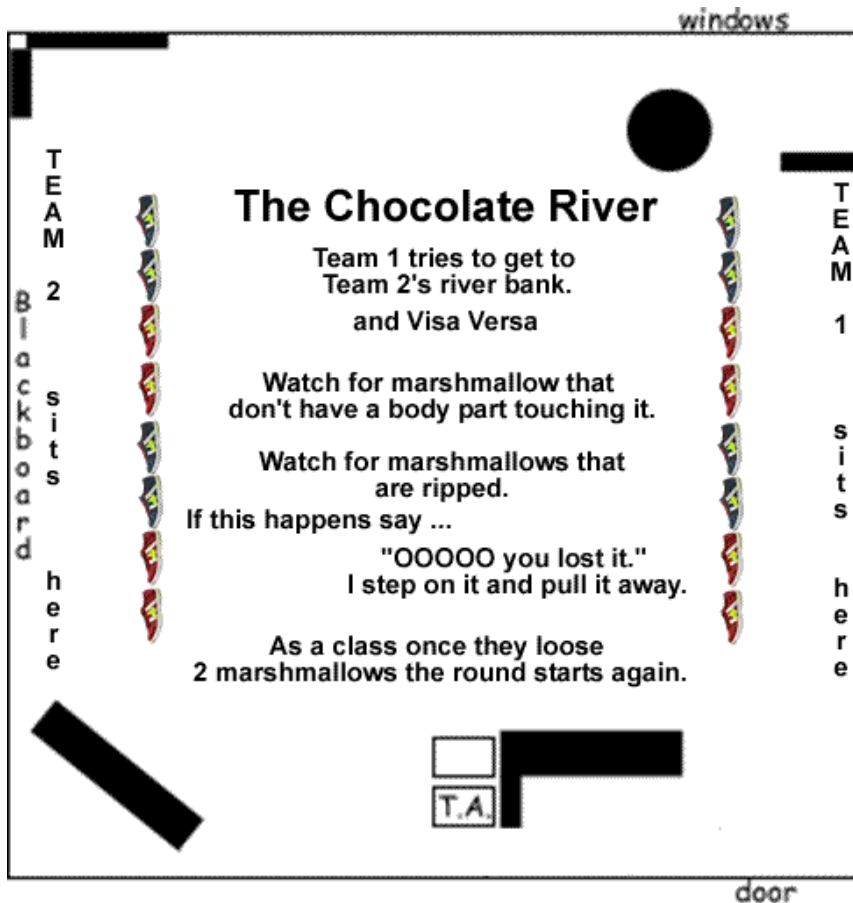


Cross the Chocolate River

After attendance tell the students to **"Clear out the Middle"** The students will move the desks to the sides of the room. Just sit back and watch them go. This should be done rather quickly. (Class 1 **"Clears out the Middle"** and Class 2 students will put the desks back the way they're supposed to be at the end of the day). They should now **"Circle Up."**

They will play the game on the floor.



Cross the Chocolate River

The students will take off their shoes and place them on either side of their team area. Have the students' line up on one side of the shoes, and tell them that they are looking at a giant chocolate river. They must get their entire team across the chocolate river, but you can't swim across and it's too deep to walk across. (Obviously, they cannot walk around the river, since it doesn't end just because the shoes do).

The only way to get across is by using the marshmallows (tissue paper).

Advise the group that this challenge isn't about physical abilities, but rather it is about communication. Unfortunately, the

current in the river is so strong that it actually sweeps the marshmallows away if someone is not holding them down (with a hand, foot, or other safe appendage). Also, the marshmallows sink if the paper rips.

Possible debrief options include:

-Team Responsibility (did it matter if only a few of you made it across the river?)

-Communication

(the importance of checking on the person behind you before stepping onto the next marshmallow)

-Individual Strengths and Weaknesses.