New Year's Eve family games

12 games for the countdown, no screens needed. Play one an hour, or pick your favorites. Tick each one you play.

☐ Balloon countdown

Write a time on each balloon and put a small note inside: a joke, a dance, a game. Pop one when the clock hits that time.

Needs: balloons, paper slips

☐ This year charades

Act out something that happened this year: a trip, a new skill, a funny moment. No talking. The others guess.

Teams or everyone at once

☐ Draw and guess

Draw a New Year word (clock, party hat, fireworks, snowman, calendar) in one minute. First right guess scores.

Needs: paper, a timer

☐ Countdown freeze dance

Dance while the music plays. When it stops, freeze and shout a number from 10 down to 1.

Good right after dinner

☐ One-minute challenges

Stack 10 plastic cups, keep a balloon in the air, or move cotton balls with a spoon. Beat the clock to score.

Needs: cups, balloon, spoon

☐ Would you rather: next year

"Would you rather learn to ski or learn to bake?" Take turns asking. Everyone explains their answer.

No supplies

☐ Family year quiz

Answer the quiz on page 2 about your family's year. Read the questions aloud; the best guess scores.

Needs: page 2, pencils

☐ Hat parade

Make a party hat from paper, tape and whatever you find. Walk the "runway". Everyone gets a prize name.

Needs: paper, tape, crayons

☐ Guess the time

Without looking at a clock, everyone writes down what time they think it is. Closest wins. Try it again later.

Needs: paper, a clock

☐ Resolution riddles

Each player writes a goal for next year on a slip. Read them out one by one; guess who wrote each one.

Needs: paper slips, a bowl

☐ Noisemaker band

Make shakers from jars or bottles with rice or beans. Practice a big drumroll for midnight (or for the early countdown).

Needs: jars or bottles, rice

☐ Predictions envelope

Fill in the predictions on page 2, fold the page and seal it. Open it together next New Year's Eve.

Needs: page 2, an envelope

Scoreboard

Player	Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Game 4	Game 5	Total

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Our year, our next year

Year we're saying goodbye to _____ Year we're saying hello to _____

Family year quiz

A grown-up writes the right answers first. Everyone else guesses out loud.

1. Where was our best day out this year?
2. What was the funniest thing that happened?
3. Who learned something new, and what was it?
4. What did we eat most often for dinner?
5. What was the best book or story we shared?
6. Who had a birthday first this year?
7. What was the hardest thing we did together?
8. Make up your own question:

Predictions for next year

Each person fills one column. Fold this page, seal it and open it next New Year's Eve.

Name:	Name:
I will learn to:	I will learn to:
My height will be:	My height will be:
My favorite food will be:	My favorite food will be:
A place I want to visit:	A place I want to visit:
Something I want to try:	Something I want to try:

One thing we'll do together next year

Best moment of tonight

Write it or draw it before bed.

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