

Forcing the City Gates (Played like Red Rover)

Appoint captains, choose sides, and form into two lines facing each other. Everyone in each line, take hold of each other's hands tightly and sing:

He stuck a feather in his hat,
And hurried to the town
And children met him with a horse
For the gates were broken down.

One player from the other side runs with all his force throwing himself upon the hands of the children who had sung. The object of the game is to be able to "break through." If successful, the two players whose hands were parted come to his/her side. The other side then sings. One from this group will try to break through the line, and thus alternate until one side or the other is broken up.