Centrepiece Game Ideas

The following are popular ideas used to give away the centrepiece.

1. **Closest Birthday**: MC announces that whomever has the closest birthday to the wedding date at each table will win the Centrepiece.

2. **Longest Together Couple**: Usually announced by the MC. The couple at each table who have been together the longest wins the centerpiece. *(If there is no couple, oldest or youngest person wins)*

3. **Pass The Item (Napkin, toonie, etc.)**: MC announces that this is going to be a “process of elimination” game. The guest holding the item is out, and the game keeps going till one person is left standing.
   - **Variation #1**: Have one person donate a toonie or some other form of money.
     After the game is over, the money is donated to the Bride and Groom for honeymoon spending money.
   - **Variation #2**: The person who has the item wins the item and the person who donated the item wins the centrepiece.
   - **Extra Fun**: The MC encourages enthusiasm by asking for the most energetic table.

4. **The Famous 4 item game**: This game is a lot of fun to play. It’s recommended to play this game just before the dance floor opens, and/or after the formal dances. It takes about 10 minutes to explain and execute the game but it is well worth it. Four items are required: **Napkin, Empty Drinking Glass, Money, Car Keys**. All 4 items are passed around the table when the music starts. When the music stops, the DJ Entertainer explains the significance of the items:
   - Person holding the **Napkin** has to help clean up tonight
   - Person holding the **Drinking Glass** is the Designated Driver
   - Person holding the **Car Keys** wins that car
   - Person that has the **money**, turns to person to the right, hands them the money, person to the left gets the Centrepiece.

   **Extra Fun**: DJ announces that a contest for the most enthusiastic table will win bragging rights. That table could also lead in the fast dancing, or even a conga line to start the dancing.

5. **Sticker under chair**: Place a sticker under one chair at each table. It’s funny to see all your guests turn their chair upside down looking for a sticker.
6. **Who got served first?** MC announces to all the tables to pay special close attention to who got served first. MC announces the courses to pay attention to. The Bride and Groom can choose a course (i.e. salad) and then the DJ announces whomever got served their salad first gets the centrepiece.

*Extra Fun:* Have somebody pick the course from a hat.

*Extra Fun #2:* Create suspense and have separate picks for odd and even numbered tables.

7. **Who Got Served last?** Same rules as above.

*Variation #1:* Odd tables – Who got served last
Even Tables – Who got served first

8. **Hockey Night At _____** Bring a hockey net and a left and right handed stick. Establish a great distance between shooter and the net. Use five tennis balls. Try to beat persons highest score.

*Variation:* One word: BLINDFOLDED

*Variation #2:* Not facing the net

*Variation #3:* Use a combination of the above to get a great kiss. (IE Blindfolded and facing away from the net gets a dip kiss for 5 seconds)

*Recommended:* Have one person at each table do it only to prevent a line up.

9. **Golf Putting:** Self Explanatory. Hole in one gets a kiss. A putting green, balls and club are required.

*Recommended:* have one person from each table do it to prevent line ups.

10. **The Centrepiece Poem:** This poem can be read by your MC, DJ Entertainer, or by a guest.
1. The news is out; quick send a cable. This poem goes to the person across the table.
2. If someone wears a dress or shirt of blue, they must take this note from you. But if blue cannot be seen surely pink is just as keen.
3. Take this note and read the verse, pass it to the gal who carries the largest purse. If it is you, keep the note. If not, then pass to the largest tote.
4. We're getting tricking, here's a real humdinger! Pass this note to the person with the most rings on her fingers.
5. You're doing great! What a success! Pass this note to the girl with the most buttons on her dress.
6. Alas, the gift is not for you, but now it passes to the guest who, with rage, admits to being the oldest age!
7. Don't despair here's the next clue...this must be handed to the guest with the largest shoe.
8. (Say Brides Name) Is Anxious... (Grooms name) is nervous, pass this to the guest who drove the furthest.
9. The wedding date is getting closer, the bride and groom will have a ball, pass this to the guest who is most tall.
10. We hope you're all having fun. We tried to include most everyone. From the largest purse, to the largest shoe, pass this now to the guest right of you.
11. The shower is almost over and the punch is nearly gone. Pass this to the guest with the smallest earrings on.
12. There won't be time to practice there won't be time to rehearse pass this to the guest with the most money in her purse.
13. Roses are Red, Violets are blue, pass this to the guest to the left of you.
14. We're ending this rhyme; this is the last poem the centerpiece on the table is yours to take home!

11. The Centrepiece Story: Give a small object, to one guest at each table. Tell guests that as you read the story, they are to pass the object left when you say left, and to pass it right when you say right. When the story ends, the guests with the object wins the centrepiece.

Here's the story...

(Bride) LEFT her house and was on her way to the church for the wedding. But about half way there, as she turned LEFT, she remembered that she LEFT her wedding dress at home RIGHT by the door! She knew RIGHT away that she had to turn around and go RIGHT back to get her dress. So she turned RIGHT, then LEFT and LEFT again, turning RIGHT into her driveway. Sure enough, there it was, RIGHT where she had LEFT it, RIGHT next to the door.

Finally, she was on the RIGHT track. When she arrived at the church, she realized that she only had 1 hour LEFT before the wedding and she still had her hair and make-up LEFT to do. So she went RIGHT to work and finished with time LEFT to spare.

Well the wedding was beautiful-the ceremony was just RIGHT and nothing was LEFT out. At the reception, (Groom) surprised (Bride) with a beautiful gift. She was so happy that she teared RIGHT up!

Off on their honeymoon they LEFT! Of course, it wouldn't be RIGHT to say where they went.

So, now there's nothing LEFT to say except enjoy the evening/afternoon. Just for fun though, pass once more to the left. Now see, that was fun! Right?
12. Donate them: You can have your MC announce that the centrepieces will be donated to a hospital or retirement home.

13. First person at this table to….: Your MC or DJ goes to each table and says “First person at this table that:

Has a picture of their Mother In Law
Has American Money
Has Canadian Tire Money
Has a Zippo lighter
    Has a comb
    Has a quarter

Etc….and shows proof, wins the centrepiece.

14. 2 Item dance off: The DJ or MC selects 2 common items at the table. (Salt and Pepper shakers, etc) and instructs the audience to pass them around the table to the music. Have the people who ended up with the items come up to the dance floor for a dance off. The head table picks the winner.

15. Numbers: Hand out numbers to the guests at all the tables. (Numbered 1-8, for example) and the MC picks the winning number from a hat.

16. Reward the Quick RSVPs One of the biggest complaints couples have before the wedding is guests who refuse to RSVP. With this giveaway idea you can award the centrepiece to your most prompt responders; it's good for a laugh as well as a subtle lesson in wedding etiquette.

Here's how to pull it off. As your RSVPs come in, keep track of the order. When you make your seating charts, put a sticker (a gold star would be appropriate) inside the place card of the person who sent in their RSVP first.

The announcement went something like this: "You've probably noticed that John and Jane are sticklers for detail and punctuality. (Pause for laughter.) They've decided to reward those of you who share their love for promptness. They kept track of who sent in their RSVPs first. Take a look inside your place card. If you have a gold star, congratulations! You were the first at your table to RSVP and you get to take home the centrepiece tonight."

17. Lottery ticket or Wrapped gift: This is a funny one. Have a lottery ticket available (Scratch cards or 6/49) and have your guests pass it along to the music (Money songs work best) and whomever ends up with the lottery ticket can chose to keep the ticket or the centrepiece. This can also work with a wrapped gift, you can pick a great gift for some tables and a not so great gift for other tables.