Frustration - The Game

This game is often called an "IQ game". The object is to begin by jumping an adjacent peg, remove the peg and continue jumping adjacent pegs until only one peg is left (genius level). Other rankings for the number of pegs left: 2 pegs = brilliant; 3 pegs = outstanding, 4 pegs = clever.

Materials needed:

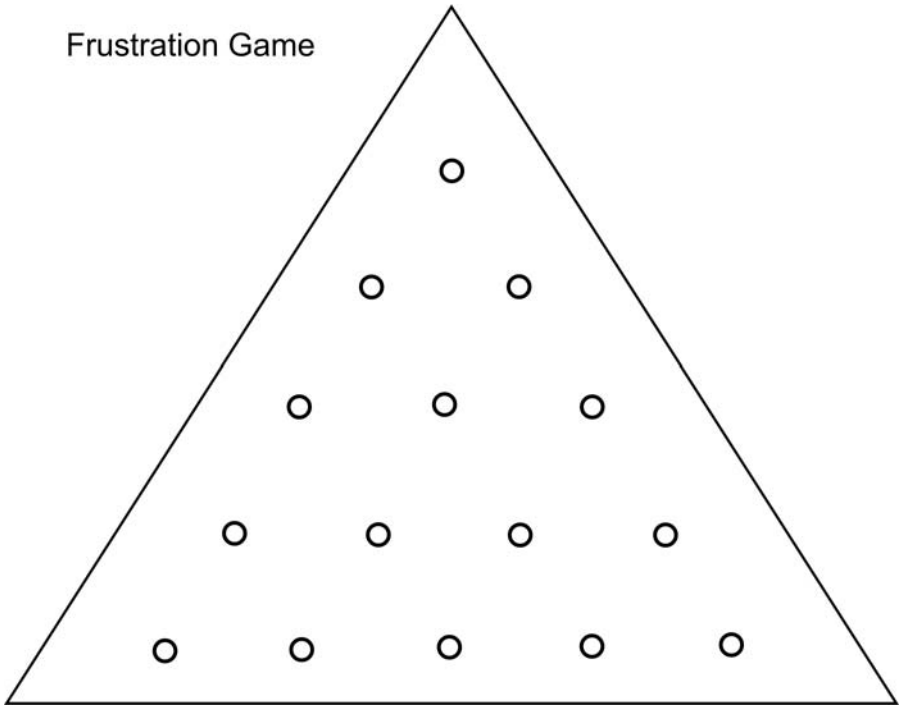
1. 14 golf tees (available from sporting goods stores, craft stores or craftsetc.com, GT-2125).
2. 5" x 5" x 1" spruce or press board (a press board about 3/4" thick works very well as it does not split when all the holes are drilled, standard particle board is too loosely compacted and may chip out little pieces when drilled).
3. Stain if desired, sand paper if desired.

Before the meeting:

1. Cut the triangle base as per diagram below (4 1/2" on each side).
2. Mark and drill 15 - 7/16" holes approximately 11/16" deep. Note: depending on the size of your golf tees, you may need to use a different size bit!

Assembly at the meeting:

1. Sand and stain if desired.
2. Have boys take turns picking 1 golf tee in a NFL type drafting rounds (each boy chooses and then goes to the end of the line waiting his second "draft choice").
3. Encourage the boys to swap colors of golf tees if desired (ex. some may want all red golf tees).
4. Have fun trying to get the best score.



1X pattern for triangle and holes (7/16")