



Twenty Five

STRAND: Number Sense – Addition & Subtraction

Players: 2 or more

Materials Needed: Deck of cards – face cards removed

Gameplay:

This is a game for two or more players. You'll need a deck of cards, with the face cards removed (ace = 1) for each group of 4 players.

1. Deal out all the cards, an equal number to each player. The cards are left face down in a pile in front of each player.
2. The first player turns over the top card and places it face up in the center of the play area announcing the number.
3. The next player turns over a card, adds the number to the card already played, says the sum out loud, and places the card on top of the previously played card.
4. The next player turns over a card and adds the number to the sum of the first two cards.
5. Play continues in this way until someone has a card that, when added, will give a sum greater than 25. When that happens, the player must subtract rather than add.
6. Play continues until someone gets a sum of exactly 25. The player, who gets a sum of exactly 25, wins that round and goes first in the next round.

Tips:

Before playing the game, review the number pairs that add to 10. Then, have your kids look for ways to use this knowledge to help them add and subtract faster!