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**Place Value Cards**
Using number cards 0-9, each player picks two or three cards from the pile. Make a 2 or 3 digit number. The player with the highest number wins (or you can play the lowest number wins).

If you make 2-3 sets of the cards have one player make multiple 2 or 3 digit numbers. Put them in order from least to greatest or greatest or least.

**Make Ten**
Roll one die. Figure out the number that you need to add to it to make ten. Write down the equation.

**Roll Ten**
If you have 3-4 dice at home you can play roll ten!! Roll the dice and try to make ten with any combination of dice. Write the equation down. When you get really good you can choose other target numbers to roll for!

**Math Fact Fluency Games**

**Acing Math Card Games**

**Games to Play with a Pair of Dice**

**Grab Ten**
Get a deck of cards and remove the face cards and jokers. (Or use 2-4 copies of the 1-10 number cards.) Spread 16 of the cards left out in a 4 x 4 array. Have a player grab 2 cards that make a 10. Write down the equation. Then replace with 2 cards from the unused card pile. Play goes on to the next player. (If they pick a 10 it’s just that card. The equation is 10 + 0 = 10.)

**MORE Dice Games!**

**ADD it UP!** Roll 2 dice. Add the two numbers together. Write down the equation. When you get really good at this you can roll more dice.

**SUBTRACT it!** Play ADD it UP! but subtract instead.

**Add/Subtract Dice!** Roll two dice and make a two digit number (for example: 28). Roll the dice again and make another two-digit number. Add or subtract the numbers!!

**Roll 2 or 3!** Roll 2 or 3 dice. Make a two-digit or three-digit number. Write the number that comes before and after.
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Here are some activities to do at home if you choose.

Games That Teach Math

Card Games
Uno  Blink  Phase Ten
Racko  Sequence  Set

Geometric Thinking
Jigsaw Puzzles  Connect Four  Battleship
Blokus  Perfection  Tangrams

Dice Games
Yahtzee  Farkle  Phase Ten Dice
Shut the Box  Tenzi  Skip Bo Dice

Numbers and Operations
Dominoes  Tri-Ominoes  Tri Facta
S'Math  Head Full of Numbers
Sum Swamp

Strategy Games
Chess  Checkers  Mancala
Backgammon  Sorry  Rush Hour
Mastermind

Addition War
Materials: 1-10 cards (2+ sets if possible)

Deal out the cards into two piles. Each player takes a pile. At the same time each player turns over two cards and adds them together. The person with the highest number takes all the cards. If the sums are equal, turn over 2 more cards each and play for all 8 cards. The winner is the person with the most cards. The game can also be played by subtracting. The person with the lowest answer (difference) wins the round.

Online Resources

Xtramath
Freckle
Pearsonrealize.com

Khan Academy - Mappers
ABCYA
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**Subtraction Bump**

**Materials:** game board
- 1-10 cards
- 10 game pieces for each player

(Game pieces can be made from coins, cereal, beans, legos, etc.)

The first player picks a card and subtracts that number from 10. The player puts a marker on the answer. If the next player rolls the same difference, they can bump the other player’s cube off. If the same player rolls the same difference again, they can put another cube on top of their cube. This “locks up” the number and no more play can be made on that number. If a player rolls that number after that, they lose their turn. First player to use all their cubes is the winner.

**120 Chart**

**Add to 120!**
Start at any number. Roll a die. Move that number of spaces. Say the number aloud. First player to 120 wins.

**Subtract to 0!**
Start at any number. Roll a die. Move that number of spaces. Say the number aloud. First player to 0 wins.

**+10/-10**
Pick a number on the 120 chart. Tell what number is 10 less. Tell what number is 10 more.

**+1/-1**
Pick a number on the 120 chart. Tell what number is one more and one less.

**Cover Up**
Player 1 hides numbers on the 120 chart. Player 2 has to say what numbers are hidden.

**Math in Life**

Cook or bake a recipe by following the directions carefully.

Count the change in someone’s pocket or change purse.

Tell the time to the nearest hour or half hour on a nondigital clock.

Measure the height of each member of your family. Put the heights in order from shortest to tallest.
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Subtraction Bump
1st Grade Literacy Activities

Here are some activities to do at home if you choose. Based on your child’s level please choose activities that they are able to complete independently or with support from an adult.

### Reading
- **Read to your child** every day for at least 20 minutes. While you are reading ask questions, make predictions and check for understanding.
- **Questions you can ask:** Who are the characters? What is the problem and solution? What do you think will happen next? How do you think the characters feel? How do you know? How can you relate to this story? Has anything like this happened in your life?
- **Log-in to Lexia** (You should have received login information from your teacher) Your child can work on literacy skills at their level. Have your child work on Lexia for 30 minutes each day.

### Sight Words
- A list of sight words is included.
- **Make cards** on index cards or using paper and make it a game—How fast can you read the word.
- Play Memory by making two cards for each word. Place them face down and take turns flipping them over to try and make pairs.
- If you have multiples of each word, you can play Go-Fish
- Play BINGO by writing some sight words on a BINGO board. Use your sight word cards to call words and cover them on the board with Cheerios or another small item.

### Journal Writing
- Each day choose a writing prompt or a topic of interest to write about. Draw a picture first. Then write to match the picture. Use the writing strategies attached to write sentences correctly. Remember to be neat.
- **Free Write:** Write about any topic you would like.
- Use the sight word list to help you spell our sight words correctly.
- Reread what you write.
- Students should sound out the words using the sounds they know. Journal writing should be ‘kid spelling’, not correct spelling of every word.

### Writing Prompts
- What is your favorite animal and why?
- What career would you like to have and why?
- Describe your best day ever in detail.
- The perfect place in the whole wide world is...
- What is your favorite stuffed animal or toy? Why is it special to you?
- If you could have any superpower, what would it be and why?
- If animals could talk, what might they say? What would you talk to them about?

### Phonics Sounds
If you need to practice letter sounds here are some fun ways to practice:
- Use the sound chart attached in the resource section, say a sound and have your child find it on the card.
- Write a letter on a piece of paper and have your child find it on the card and tell you the letter name.
- Have your child say the sound and do the motion for each letter on the card.
- Write all the letters of the alphabet 3x onto small square pieces of paper. Challenge your child to create as many words as they can using the letters.
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Online resources

**District Resources:**
- Check out our student resources page on our district website: [https://www.dist50.net/domain/61](https://www.dist50.net/domain/61)
- Lexia Core 5: [https://www.lexiacore5.com/register](https://www.lexiacore5.com/register)
- RAZ Kids: [https://www.kidsa-z.com/main/Login](https://www.kidsa-z.com/main/Login)
- Clever: Follow the directions on the district website to access digital resources through Clever, including Pearson Realize for Math and Reading: [https://www.dist50.net/Page/1560](https://www.dist50.net/Page/1560)

**Free English Educational Sites:**
- Vooks [www.vooks.com/parent-resources](http://www.vooks.com/parent-resources)
- Mystery Doug [https://mysterydoug.com/](https://mysterydoug.com/)
- ABCya [https://www.abcya.com/](https://www.abcya.com/)
- Get Epic! [https://www.getepic.com/](https://www.getepic.com/)
- Freckle [https://www.freckle.com/](https://www.freckle.com/)
- This Reading Mama [https://thisreadingmama.com/](https://thisreadingmama.com/)
- The Measured Mom [https://www.themeasuredmom.com/](https://www.themeasuredmom.com/)
- Storyline Online: [https://www.storylineonline.net/](https://www.storylineonline.net/)

**Free Spanish Educational Sites:**
There are many resources through our district Parent Toolkit page: [https://www.dist50.net/Page/445](https://www.dist50.net/Page/445)
- Unite for Literacy: Click the pencil in the top left to switch language [https://www.uniteforliteracy.com/](https://www.uniteforliteracy.com/)
- Conjugemos: [https://conjuguemos.com/](https://conjuguemos.com/)
- Brain POP jr: [https://esp.brainpop.com/](https://esp.brainpop.com/)
- Get Epic! Filter books by Spanish [https://www.getepic.com/](https://www.getepic.com/)
- PBS Kids [https://pbskids.org/games/spanish/](https://pbskids.org/games/spanish/)

Board Games to Support Reading

- Boggle Junior
- Scrabble Junior
- Bananagrams
- "Pop" For Sight Words / Word Families Games
- What's Gnu?
- Snap It Up! Phonics
- Zingo!
- Apples to Apples
- Funny Mix: Superhero Phonics
- Super Sleuth: Vocabulary Game
- Sight Word Space Station
- Spelligator
- Word Searches
- Crossword Puzzles
Writing Strategies to remember when writing sentences.

Writing Checklist

- I have a **capital letter** at the beginning of my sentence.
- I have **punctuation** at the end of my sentence.
- I used **spaces** between my words.
- I used **lowercase letters** throughout my sentence.
- I used the **word wall** to check my spelling.
- I used my best **handwriting**.
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1st Grade SLA Literacy Activities

Here are additional activities to do at home, if you choose. Based on your child’s level please choose activities that they are able to complete independently or with support from an adult.

Using the stories your student brought home, have them answer the following questions.

**Fiction**
1. Could this story be true? Why or why not?
2. Where is the setting of this story?
3. Who is this story about? Tell about him or her.
4. What words would you use to describe the main character?
5. Do you like the main character? Why or why not?
6. Does the main character have a problem? What is it?
7. How is the problem solved? (What is the solution?)

**NonFiction**
1. What new information did you learn?
2. What is the main idea of the text? What are the details?
3. Can you identify any of the text features? What are they? What do they tell you?