Try these fun games at home:

- Card Games
- Dice Games
- Payday
- Uno
- Monopoly

- Scrabble
- Dominoes
- Candyland
- Cribbage
- Yahtzee



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Mental Math Strategies

Grade Three Mathematics



Describe and apply strategies for adding and/or subtracting numbers to 100.



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Mental Math Strategies ...

Did you know ...

- The more ways we solve a problem, the deeper our understanding of the mathematics.
- Teaching children tricks even though it is fun, actually discourages them from understanding mathematics.
- 85% of all calculations we do involve mental math.

When we ask, "How would you do that?" or "Can you show me another way?" we are helping children to understand math better.



Do not forget to go online!

Ask your child's teacher for good websites to explore.

Can you think of another way?

Use Place Value:

Add or subtract from left to right. For **48 - 35** think, **40 - 30** and **8 - 5**, so **10 + 3** or **13**.

Move Some to Make Ten:

For 8 + 17 think, 10 + 15 or 25.

Think Doubles:

For **25 + 27** think, **25 + 25 + 2**.

Switch the Order:

For 14 + 30 think, 30 + 14 or 44.

Use Addition to Subtract:

For **56 - 25** think, **25 + ? = 56** or add on **25 + 10 + 10 + 10 + 1**.

Friendly Numbers:

For **18 + 24** think, **18 + 2 + 22** or **20 + 22 = 42** (multiples of 10 and 100).

Compensate:

Add some on and then subtract it back (or the reverse) for **63 - 25** think, **65 - 25 (-2)** or **40 - 2 = 38**.

