

Math Card Game: Game of War

Supplies: Deck of playing cards

1. Shuffle the cards.
2. Hand out cards so that each player gets 26 cards each. Cards should be in a pile face down.
3. Each player flips up two cards and adds their two cards together. The player with the highest sum collects all four cards.
4. Continue with the play, each person flipping two cards and adding the sum.
5. If the cards add up to the same total it is called WAR. For example: one person turns up a 6 and a 4 and their partner turns up a 3 and 7. Both sets of cards equal 10 so declare WAR.
6. Players must now flip up two more cards each. Players now need to add all four cards to get their total. The player with the highest sum wins all 8 cards.
7. Play continues until all of the cards have been flipped.
8. The player with the most cards in their discard pile is the winner.
9. Shake hands and say good game.

Variation: This is a great variation to promote subtraction. Players flip two cards each but then subtract the lowest number from the highest to find the difference. The player with the lowest number (difference) wins all four cards.