

Targets

This activity is a game played very much like the number game on the television programme, Countdown. Any number of children can play at once.

Print out the main set of cards, numbered 1 to 10 onto pale coloured card. Then print out the numbers 25 to 100 onto a different colour. This will give you a simple way of distinguishing the cards.

Target Game Rules

- Shuffle each set of cards.
- Choose five cards from the main set and one card from the larger numbers.
- From the remainder of the main set select three cards to represent the target number.
- The aim of the game is to achieve the target number.
- You may combine the numbers using any of the four mathematical operations. You do not have to use all of the numbers.
- The time allowed can vary, but three or four minutes is usually about right.
- Children can score points according to how close they get.

One possible scoring system is:-

Target achieved	10 points
Up to 10 away	5 points
Up to 20 away	2 points
Up to 50 away	1 point

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