

# Doubles Bingo

**Number of Students:** Small Groups

**Materials:**

- 1 Doubles Bingo game board per group
- 2 sets Doubles Bingo cards (2 x 1-12 numeral cards)
- 1 Doubles Bingo Spinner (1 per group)
- 1 paper clip per pair
- 1 pen or pencil (per group)
- Counters selection of different colours (around 12 counters of each colour per person)

**Preparation:**

Sufficient spinners need to be photocopied / printed

Spinner sheets need to be cut (two spinners per page)

Sufficient cards need to be photocopied / printed

Cards need to be laminated and cut

Sufficient bingo game boards need to be photocopied / printed.

Spinners and game boards can be laminated for longevity, although this is not strictly necessary.

**How :**

The game board is placed between the two players. The cards are shuffled and placed face down as a deck.

Players take turns to take the top card and spin the spinner. They apply the spinner instruction to the number on the card and calculate the new total. For example, if they draw an 8 and spin a “double + 1”, their new total is double 8 plus 1 or 17. They then place one of their counters on the 17 square of the game board. If a square is already covered by an opponents counter, the counter can be replaced. The first person to get three of their counters in a row wins.

Students should be encouraged to memorise doubles facts and an emphasis should be placed on speed.

**Variation:**

Use a sand timer to impose a time limit per turn. If a student hasn't worked out the total in the given time, the turn passes to the other player.