

One Before - One After Game

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Where are they now?

Students can recognize numbers to 10.



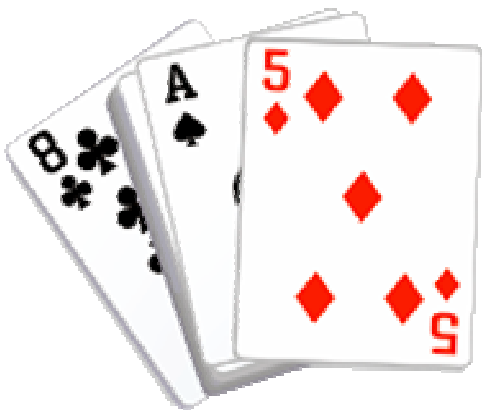
Where to next?

Students are fluent in recognizing numbers one before and one after a given number.



Why?

This activity provides an opportunity for students to develop knowledge of number sequencing and ideas of numbers immediately before or after a given number.



Materials:

- A pack of playing cards with the picture cards removed.
- Or made up card sets with different number sequences to adapt activity further.

How?

The game can be played by 2 to 4 players. The card set is shuffled and each player is dealt 5 cards. The remaining cards are placed face down on the table. The top card is turned face up and placed alongside the pile. Each player in turn puts out a card that comes either **one before** or **one after** the card that is face up, placing it on top of the card. If a player is unable to put out a card, they pick up a card from the face down pile and add it to the cards in their hand. The first player to dispose of all their cards or the player with the least number of cards remaining when play is unable to continue is the winner.

