DOT-BINGO

Material: Two number cubes

One bingo card for each player

Counters

Players: Two to four

Rules: Each player chooses a bingo card. The first player

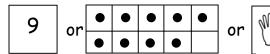
rolls the cubes. The players add the numbers

represented on the two cubes. Each player checks to

see if this sum is on her bingo card. If the sum

appears more than once, the player chooses which one to cover. Only one square may be covered at each turn. For example, if a five and a four are rolled a player

may cover one of the following:



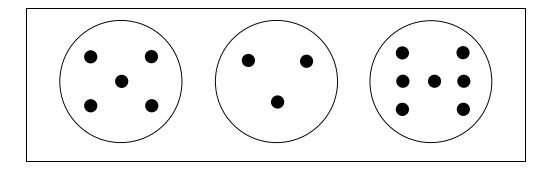
The second player than rolls the cubes and play continues until one of the players has covered the four corners and one line (horizontal, vertical, or diagonal).

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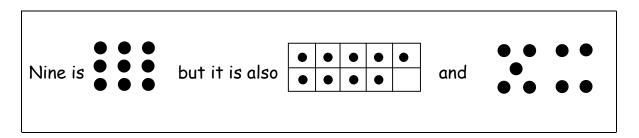
Note to parents:

Dot Bingo is a game which relies on subitizing and the concept of addition. Subitizing is "instantly recognizing how many dots there are in a group". For example, a child who is subitizing can instantly state without counting how many dots are found in each of these figures.

This game and other dice games help students to subitize dot patterns.



Subitizing helps a child form mental pictures of numbers and to realize that a number can be representing in many ways.



In the last example, a child may say there are nine dots because "it's as if you have five twice with one less". The ability to see the components of numbers and the relations between numbers will allow children to develop addition strategies and to learn and remember basic facts.



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