

Subtraction Marathon

- Material :** Two 12-sided dice
A game board for each player
Counters
- Players :** Two to four
- Rules :** The first player rolls the two dice and finds the difference by subtracting the smaller number from the larger (ex.: if a player rolls an 8 and a 12, that gives $12 - 8 = 4$). The player uses a counter to cover the number representing the difference on his game board. If the difference is already covered on the game board the player loses his turn. The game ends when one player has covered all the differences on his game board.

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Note to parents :

An efficient strategy for learning subtraction facts is to "think addition". For example, to subtract $9 - 5$, think "What number added to 5 will result in 9?" or "5 + what is 9?"

You can encourage your child to use this strategy by modelling it for him - that is, as you do your calculation, say it out loud.

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