

Four Strikes

(single digit)

Materials:

Paper

Pencil

Counters (e.g., pennies, small Lego pieces)

How to Play:

Player one records a number sentence on their page without showing player two (e.g., $5 + 7 = 12$).

A gameboard is created as below:

$$\begin{array}{cccccccccc} & & + & & = & & & & & & \\ _ & & & _ & & & _ & _ & & & \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & \end{array}$$

Player two selects one digit at a time to try to complete the number sentence. Player one records correct guesses on the lines and draws a line through incorrect digits. Player two tries to complete the number sentence before making four incorrect guesses.

Variation: Players can vary the structure of the number sentence (e.g., $_ _ = _ + _ ; _ _ - _ = _$).

Variation: Play the game with more or fewer strikes.

Variation: Play the game with two digit numbers.