A Place To Practice Your Math Skills

Plug It In



Players: two

Materials: 1 piece of paper, 9 index cards, scissors, marker

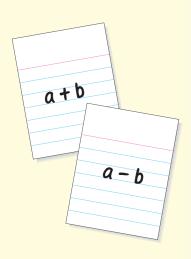


• Write the following fractions on a piece of paper.

$$-\frac{8}{9}, -\frac{7}{9}, -\frac{5}{9}, -\frac{4}{9}, -\frac{2}{9}, -\frac{1}{9}, \frac{1}{9}, \frac{2}{9}, \frac{4}{9}, \frac{5}{9}, \frac{7}{9}, \frac{8}{9}$$

- Cut the index cards in half, making 18 cards.
- Write one of the following expressions on each of the cards.

$$a + b$$
 $a - b$ $b - a$ ab $\frac{1}{2}a$
 $a \div b$ $b \div a$ $a + 1$ $b + 1$ $\frac{1}{2}b$
 $1 - a$ $1 - b$ $a - 1$ $b - 1$
 a b $1 \div a$ $1 \div b$



- The cards are shuffled and dealt facedown to each player.
- One player chooses the value for a from the list of fractions on the paper. The other player chooses the value for b from the same list.
- Each player turns over the top card from his or her pile and evaluates the expression. The person whose expression has the greatest value wins a point. If the values are equal, no points are awarded.
- The players choose new values for a and b. Each player turns over a new card. The play continues until all the cards are used.
- Who Wins? The person with the most points wins the game.