

Numeracy Gr 3

FLUENCY ACTIVITY: Shut the Box

Materials Needed:

- Chart below; pair of dice

Play one at a time or alone.

Roll two dice. Add the total. Then cover up squares that also add up to the same total.

For example: if you roll a 2 and a 5, that adds to 7. Then you can cover up (using bingo chips, lego squares, pieces of paper, crackers...) 1 and 6 OR 2 and 5 OR 3 and 4 OR 1, 2 and 4 OR just 7. The same player keeps rolling, covering up numbers, until they cannot complete a turn. Add up the total of numbers that are NOT covered. Then the next player takes their turn to try to cover up all the numbers in the box. The LOWEST score wins. If you are playing alone, try to get the lowest score possible. What is your record? What is the best strategy for playing?

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