Wild & Wacky Workstations for K-2 Classrooms

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Goals of Session

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- Provide workstation ideas and activities for place value, number operations, and algebraic reasoning that can easily be incorporated into classrooms
- Meet the needs of ALL students while incorporating higher level thinking skills, problem solving, student accountability, and fun!

That's True About Me!

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- I flew to Nashville!
- I'm a 1st Grade teacher!
- I enjoyed live music last night!
- I'm a Pre-K/Kindergarten teacher!
- I'm a football fan!
- I'm a 2nd Grade teacher!
- This is my first NCTM conference!
- I'm an instructional coach or specialist!

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Research States Games...

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- Provide rich contexts for mathematical learning and thinking (Fosnot, 2001)
- Explore certain mathematical ideas (Fosnot, 2001)
- Help students use strategies to construct an understanding of numbers
- Learn to apply computational skills to problem-solving situations (Burns, 2007)

Research States Practice...

Van de Walle, 2006

- Provides opportunities to develop conceptual ideas and more elaborate and useful connections
- Provides opportunities to develop alternative and flexible strategies
- Provides greater chance for ALL students to understand
- Sends the message that math is about figuring things out and making sense

Manipulatives & Handout

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- Bottle Caps
- Deck of Cards
- Dice
- Egg Cartons

Bottle Caps

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- Matching
- Know My Number



Addition in Reverse

Players	Materials	Directions	Variations
1 or	• 2 sets	• Draw a digit.	• Use two digits to
more	of	• Use this number as	make the sum.
	bottle	the sum in a	
	caps	number sentence	
	labeled	and find all the	
	0-9	combinations of	
		numbers that make	
		up the drawn	
		number.	

Know My Number My Number is Is it odd or evo 1 More 1 Less 10 More 10 Less	2n? 100 More 100 Less		
Word Form	Expanded Form		
		Players	Materials
Hundreds Tens Ones	Picture form	1	1 set of bottle caps
			labeled with digits
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			Variations
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Deck of Cards

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- Salute



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Players	Materials	Directions	Variations
Players 2 to 4	•2 decks of cards per pair of players	 Directions Players take turns to show their 3 cards and add the value of the cards. If the total is 15, the player can keep their cards. If it is not 15 the cards are returned to the dealer and shuffled into the deck for 	Variations ?
		 shuffied into the deck for the next round. Play continues for a set time. The winner is the player with the most cards when play finishes. 	

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Salute

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Players	Materials	Directions	Variations
3	1 deck of cards (Jacks represent 11, Queens represent 12, Kings represent 13, and Aces represent 14)	 Two players will face each other and the cards are dealt evenly to them. The third person will sit where they can see the other two players. The third player will say "Salute" and the two players will turn over the top card, holding it to their forehead so the other person can see. The third player announces the sum and the other two players try to be the first one to guess their own number. The winner takes both cards. Players will rotate positions so everyone plays every position. 	 Students can write their own word problem using a set of numbers from the game. These could be put in another workstation for students to solve or be used as a warm up. Change operation to multiplication, subtraction, or division.

Dice

- Create a Problem
- Roll & Make



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Roll & Make

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My Number	In Picture Form
In Word Form	In Expanded Form
With Money	Represent It a Different Way
Make a Comparison Statement with a Number Greater than Your Number	Make a Comparison Statement with a Number Less than Your Number
Show Your Number	as a Number Bond
Show Your Number	on a Number Line
Show Your Number	as a Strip Diagram

Players	Materials			
1 to 4	6 Ones (0-9) Place			
	Value Dice or			
	regular dice			
	Directions			
•Roll to ma	•Roll to make 2 or 3 digit			
number.				
 Use the digits and one 				
symbol to create a number				
sentence and word problem.				
Variations				
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Egg Cartons

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- Number Shake
- Shake & Subtract



Number Shake

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Players	Materials	Directions	Variations
1	• Number	• Label each dimple with the	• Place three tokens in the egg
	Generator	words: word, picture, ten	carton to randomly select
	(Spinner,	frame, number line, number	three multiple
	Digit Cards,	bond, and tally marks.	representations at one time.
	Die, etc.)	• Students generate number	• After generating a
	• 6 dimple	using the number generator.	representation for 3 to 4
	Egg Carton	• Place the token in the egg	numbers, have students
	• Token	carton and shake to determine	order and/or compare using
	(Chip,	the representation that will be	the representations.
	Bean,	used.	 Make two or three digit
	Counter,	Continue shaking until the	numbers.
	etc.)	number has been shown with	• Draw representations on
		all the representations OR	index cards to make
		• Generate a new number and	Memory, Matching, or
		make one representation.	Concentration game.

Shake & Subtract

Players	Materials	Directions	Variations
1	•Egg	•Place 3 coins labeled with a	 Change
	carton	"10", "100" and "1,000" (one	the place
	•Pencil	each in the egg carton.	value to
	•Paper	•Shake carton, open, and record	two
		the number. Repeat, and	places.
		subtract the digits.	

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