







A game to help remember which pairs of numbers make ten.

- 1. Count 10 counters/ beans. One player hides some of them under a cup.
- 2. The other player guesses how many are under the cup.
- 3. Write down the guess.
- 4. Check under the cup to see if it was right.
- 5. Swap and keep playing.
- 6. The player with the most correct guesses wins.

Out of cup	Guess - in cup	Check - in cup	Dot if
3	7	7	0
3	7	7	0
4	6	A	0
9		4	0
6	4	4	0
7	3	3	0
5	5	5	0



If you play again with a different partner, who will win?

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To make it more challenging: Once you can guess accurately without "counting on" all the pairs to ten, try playing with smaller numbers like 8, then 9, then 6. This ensures the game builds up more and more number bonds which can be automatically recalled within ten e.g. 4 + 4 = 8, 5 + 3 = 8. This can later help with problems in mental maths like $13 + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = 8$.