

Card Games

♠ Card games help children develop fine motor skills. When children hold playing cards they build dexterity, eventually building agility and eye hand coordination.

♦ Playing cards build number confidence. Card games change children's perception of learning about numbers in a positive way, help take the fear out of maths and allow them to build their number confidence without worrying about making mistakes.

♠ Playing means learning by experience. Children are learning without realising it and exercising a whole host of other skills too, from turn-taking and communication to problem solving and team work.

♠ A pack of playing cards offers endless possibilities. A simple pack of cards allows children to practise many different elements of maths, from core skills like addition and subtraction to more complex concepts like fractions.

♦ Playing cards will improve memory. Well-liked games like 'matching pairs' are a great way to enhance memory. Children learn how to retrieve information in a relaxed setting while developing patience and perseverance.

♠ Cards help develop quick thinking skills. Card-playing can speed up your child's maths thinking brain.

♦ Card games are a great alternative for learning times tables. Learning times tables by rote is no-one's idea of a good time but playing a game might just be!

♠ Cards encourage number talk. Cards provide a great talking opportunity for children to get to grips with mathematical language.

Cards can be sorted into suits.



Diamonds



Spades



Hearts



Clubs



Odd



Even



Sort cards into odd and even.



Cards can be sorted into the colours red and black.



Simple sorting activities can help reduce maths anxiety.



Less than 5



Greater than 5





♠♥ **PLAYING CARDS** **♠♥**

LI: We are learning to multiply quickly and accurately.

Put your mental maths skills to the test...

Turn over two cards.

Multiply the two numbers together.

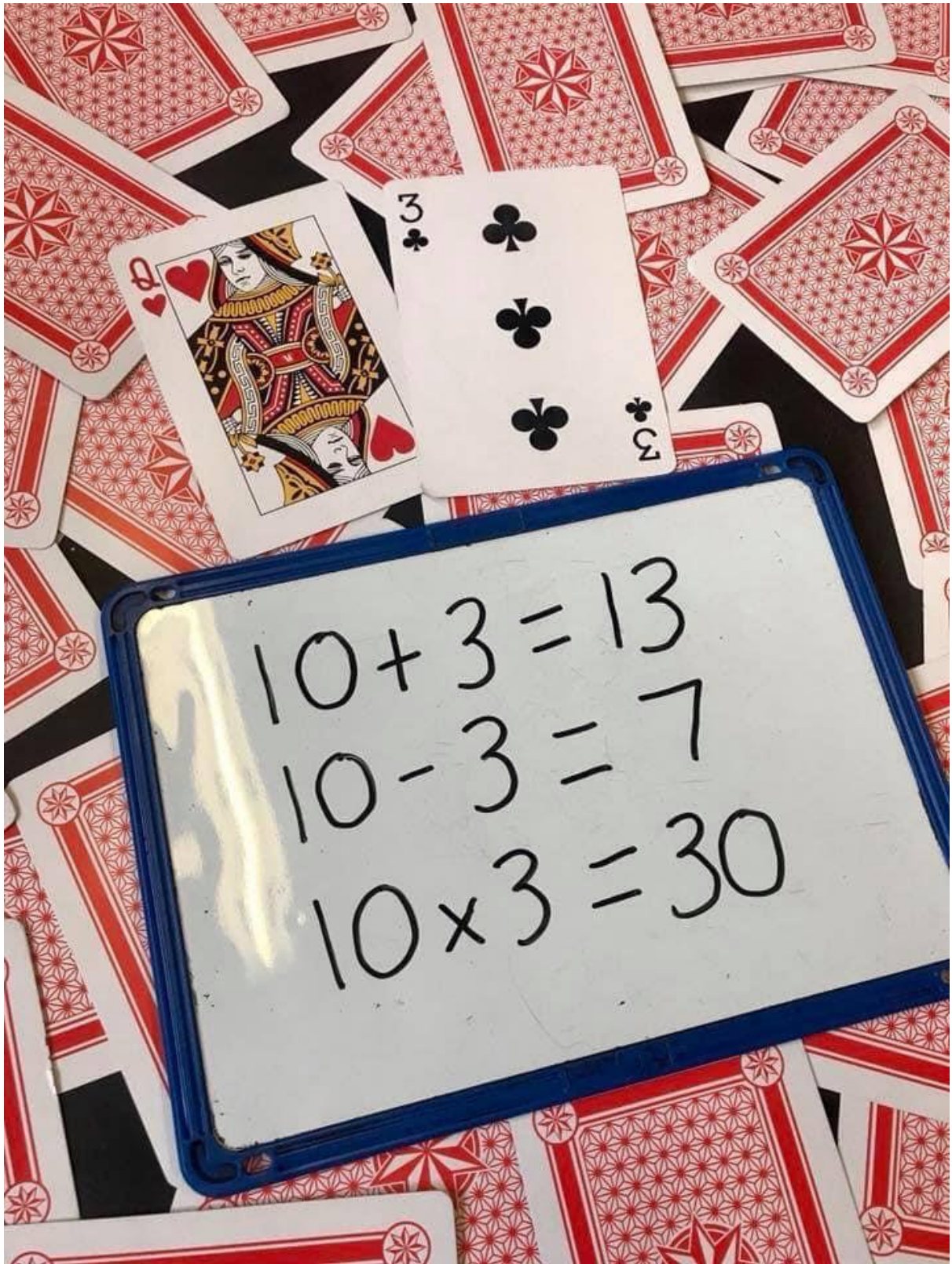
Answer the sum correctly? → KEEP YOUR CARDS!

Answer the sum incorrectly? → RETURN TO THE TRAY.

The player with the most cards at the end is the winner! 🏆

Remember...

A = 1 J = 10 Q = 10 K = 10



$$10 + 3 = 13$$

$$10 - 3 = 7$$

$$10 \times 3 = 30$$

