

Facts to 5 – Memory and Flash Cards

Purpose:

The purpose of this activity is to help your child to develop instant knowledge of basic addition and subtraction facts to 5.

Link to Number Framework:

Number Facts, Stages 0 - 3

What you need:

- Game cards. You can print these or make your own.

What to do:

Use the facts to 5 cards to play memory. The aim of the game is to find as many matching pairs as possible by remembering where the cards are.

- Spread out all the cards face down.
- Turn over 2 cards. If the 2 number facts have the same answer they match and players get to keep the pair. For example “5 – 1” and “3 + 1” are a matching pair. If the number facts don’t match, players replace the cards face down.
- Take turns to try and find a matching pair.
- The winner is the player with the most pairs at the end of the game.

You can also use the game cards as flash cards.

- Put the cards in a pile face down.
- Ask your child to turn over the top card and call out the answer to the number fact as fast as possible.

What to expect your child to do:

Children might use their fingers to help at first, but with practice they should be able to give the answers to the addition and subtraction facts instantly.

Related Māori vocab:

basic addition facts	meka tāpiritanga matua
basic subtraction facts	meka tangohanga matua
matching pairs	takirua taurite

$1 + 4$	$4 + 1$
$3 + 2$	$2 + 3$
$5 - 0$	$5 + 0$
$3 + 1$	$1 + 3$
$2 + 2$	$5 - 1$
$2 + 1$	$1 + 2$
$3 + 0$	$5 - 2$

$4 - 1$	$3 - 0$
$1 + 1$	$5 - 3$
$4 - 2$	$3 - 1$
$5 - 4$	$4 - 3$
$3 - 2$	$2 - 1$
$0 + 0$	$4 - 4$