

Fifteen Number Cross-Out

You need:

A partner and two dice

Rules:

1. Each player makes a list of fifteen numbers. Five numbers must be 5's; the other ten numbers can be any numbers from 1 to 9. You may repeat any of these numbers as many times as you like, and you do not have to include every number from 1 to 9.
2. Player 1 rolls the two dice; both players add the numbers and agree on the sum.
3. On his or her list, each player crosses out either the sum or a combination of numbers that makes that sum. For example, if the sum of the dice is seven, a player might cross out a 7, or a 3 and a 4, or a 5 and a 2, or a 3 and two 2's. For each roll of the dice, a player can make the sum only one way.
4. Player 2 rolls the dice and, again, both players add the numbers, agree on the sum, and cross out numbers on their lists.
5. If a player cannot make the sum that comes up with any numbers on his or her list, that player waits for the next roll of the dice to try again.
6. The game continues as long as one player is able to cross out numbers for the roll of the dice.
7. The game ends in one of two ways. If one player crosses out all of the numbers on his or her list, the game is over and that player is the winner. Or, if both players are unable to make a play, the game is over and the winner is the player with the fewest numbers left on his or her list.