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ROWS AND COLUMNS

This game, a favorite, calls for finding two or more cards in a row or column that total 15.

Objective: To practice adding three or four numbers.

Cards: The deck of basic number cards, without 0s or 10s.

Number of players: Two or three, but three may make the time between turns too long.

Object of the game: To collect the most cards.

Layout: Sixteen cards are laid face up in a 4×4 array. The remaining cards form the stock.

Play: During a turn, the player checks each row and column for two or more cards that total 15. The same card cannot be used for both a row and a column.

In the figure, the 7 and 8 can be collected from the first row. Also the 5, 1, and 9 from the first column and the 6, 7, and 2 from the last column can be collected. Alternatively, the 5, 3, and 7 from the second row and the 9 and 6 from the last row could be picked up.

After a turn, fill in the array for the next player. If a player cannot play, she skips her turn and replaces the four corners.

7 4	3 8	8 8	6 9
5 9	3 8	2 2	7 7
1 1	5 9	2 2	2 2
9 6	3 8	6 9	5 9

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