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Train the class by playing

- Today we start with a card Trick



Link to video: <u>Card Trick</u>



Your Guide for Today

Play with your Math!

Let go of your teacher-ness for the day. There will be time for that.

You are smart.

 Everyone will be respected – and expected to be problem solvers.

 Everyone is responsible to help their classmates learn.



Learning Goals for Today

<u>Learn how to:</u>

- 1. Focus on student engagement in a task.
- 2. Build Building Thinking Classroom principles into Learning Plan Tasks with a focus on flow.
- 3. Play a little and learn a lot!



Frame of Reference

Learning Math to Solve Problems

VS.

Solving Problems to Learn Math



Bag in a Bag

This is a bag and a bag and a bag and a bag.





This is a bag in a bag and a bag.





Solution for Six Bags





A 1, 2, 3... Seed Numbers!

Consider two whole numbers.

- These will be the first two numbers.
- The third number is the sum of the first two.
- The fourth is the sum of the previous two and so on.
- What do the first two numbers have to be such that the fifth number is 100?

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The Reason for a 'Thinking' Classroom:

"Thinking is a necessary precursor to learning. If students are not thinking they are not learning." If students are playing, they are





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