

Key Stage 1

Suit sort

Use a complete deck, bar the Jokers. Select the Kings and place them in a row. Hold the remaining cards in a closed deck, face down. Turn over one card at a time and place it on the correct King. Say aloud the name of the suit/colour. Repeat until complete. **RRF!**

Extend to say the value and suit, eg 'the 6 of clubs', 'the 9 of diamonds' (Ace = 1, Jack = 11, Queen = 12, King = 13).

Odds/evens

Use a full, shuffled, closed deck and, turning over one card at a time, sort odds to the left, evens to the right, saying the value aloud and stating odd or even, eg '2 is even', '11 is odd'. **RRF!**

(Remember! Joker = 20)

Single digit recall/single digit +1

Using a closed digit deck, shuffle, then turn over the cards and say what they are.

For 'Single digit +1', turn over the cards and add one. Begin by saying the whole number sentence eg '4 add 1 equals 5'. Encourage children to use synonyms for add/equals.

Extension

The child simply calls out the answer (doing the calculation mentally). **RRF!**

Single digit -1

Using a closed digit deck, shuffle, turn over the cards and take away 1. Begin by saying the whole number sentence eg '4 minus 1 equals 3'. Encourage children to use synonyms for minus/equals.

Extension

The child simply calls out the answer (doing the calculation mentally). **RRF!**
