Beat the Calculator

Addition or Subtraction

Materials:

* number cards (4 sets of 0–9)
* calculator
* whiteboard, marker, and eraser (for keeping score)

Players:

* 3 (Caller, Brain, Calculator)

Directions:

1. Determine whether you will be playing Addition Beat the Calculator or Subtraction Beat the Calculator.
2. The Caller flips over two cards. The Brain computes the answer mentally while the Calculator computes the answer on the calculator. The Brain and the Calculator call out the answer as soon as they know it.
3. The Caller determines who called out the answer first and gives that student a point.
4. Once either the Brain or the Calculator reaches 5 points, switch roles.

Extension:

* The Caller flips over four cards and forms two 2-digit numbers.
* The Caller flips over six cards and forms two 3-digit numbers.