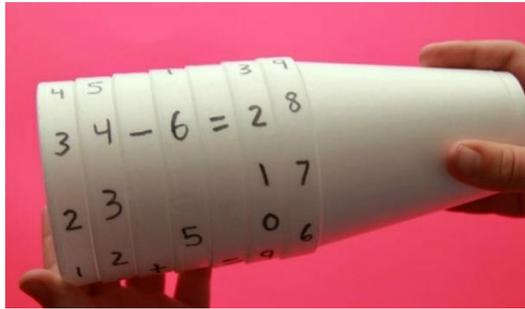


Spinning Calculator!



Simple Supplies:

- Styrofoam Cups
- Sharpie Marker (Black, Red & Green)

*Tip – Parents may want to help younger kids write the numbers and symbols to make it easier for them to read.

Why A Spinning Calculator:

Math is one of those things that requires a lot of repetition for kids to get a firm grasp on and even today, some adults still struggle with it. But this activity will help take the monotony out of math, and make it a little more fun making it simple and easy to learn. This activity will help children repeat and review math facts and skills that they need to be successful.

How To:

1. Gather a few Styrofoam cups with a lip or rim.
2. Use a Sharpie marker to write with. Use black for the numbers, red for the operation symbols (+, -, x, /), and green for the equal symbol (Color use is optional).
3. In black, write the numbers 0-5 around the lip or rim of 2 cups and 0-10 on the lip or rim on another cup. Try to make them as neat as possible.
4. In red, write an addition, subtraction, multiplication, or division symbol on the lip or rim of the fourth cup. Make sure to space them out evenly.
5. In green, write a single equal symbol on the lip or rim of the fifth cup.

6. Stack the cups as follows:
 - a. First, a 0-5 cup.
 - b. Second, addition or subtraction symbols cup.
 - c. Third, the other 0-5 cup.
 - d. Fourth, the equals sign cup.
 - e. Finally, the 0-10 cup.
7. Spin the different cups to make true equations.

More Fun:

Here are some other options you can do to make it more challenging for older students:

- In the numbers 0-9 on all numbered cups replacing or adding to the 0-5 cups.
- Make and use additional operation cups to make longer and more complicated equations.