Notes for *Dominique*

Level: Grades 2-4

Recommended # of Players: 2-4

Materials: *Dominique* cards (44); paper and pencils for scorekeeping

Math Skills: Addition, multiple 1- and 2-digit numbers; spatial reasoning; logic

Mathematical benefits

Spatial Reasoning and Logic: *Dominique* gives children the opportunity to use their spatial reasoning and strategy. The players must evaluate the arrangement of colored dots on their cards and decide which card to place and where to place it to maximize the amount of points they will receive. They must consider every possible row of dots (horizontal, vertical, and diagonal) that connects to the cards they place.

Addition: There is a substantial amount of addition in this game. Children must add up the points from each turn as well as the points from each turn to the end of the game. To keep score, players can either keep a running total by recording earned points at the end of each turn and adding it to the previous score with paper and pencil. Or, they can add the total at the end of the game by only writing down the number of points scored in each round.