

# ACTIVE LEARNING

## DODGING EQUATIONS

Dodging Equations is a quick, exciting and competitive game which can be applied to a large number of different learning skills and revision. Students have to dodge and catch balls while exchanging number facts. This game adds the competitive rush for an element of fun, but creates a more relaxed approach to revision.

### Players

Whole class or small groups

### Equipment

A soft spongy ball (preferably more than one)  
Basic number facts question cards

### How to Play

1. Students line up against a wall. One thrower is chosen.
2. Each student in the dodging line has a question card and the thrower has their own set of question cards.
3. The thrower must try to get a student 'out' by aiming to hit them with the ball from the shoulders down. The students lined up need to dodge or catch the ball with their hands.
4. If the thrower successfully hits a dodger, the dodger needs to present their question. If the thrower says the correct answer, that dodger is out. If the thrower is incorrect, they have to swap with the dodger.
5. Alternatively, if the dodger catches the ball, the thrower will ask a question from their set of cards. If the catcher says the correct answer, they swap places with the thrower. If they are incorrect, they are out.

Tip: If a dodger answers a question correctly and has already been a thrower, they could nominate someone else to go in their place.

### Variation

This game does not have to be limited to basic number facts. It could be adapted as a fact building game for concepts in Geography, History, Science and Literacy.

