## 1.NBT "Crossing the Decade" Concentration

## Task

This game is a version of the traditional memory or concentration game.

You will need to create a set of number cards for each of the pair of numbers that cross the decade, i.e., 19 and 20, 29 and 30, 39 and 40,49 and 50, etc.

Students place all the number cards that end with "_9" face down in an $3 \times 3$ array on the left and all the number cards that end with " 0 " face down in a $3 \times 3$ array on the right. Working in pairs or trios, students take turns. The first student selects a card from the left array, stating the number name and the counting number that follows ("I have 39, I need 40").


He or she then picks one card from the array on the right (the "_0" numbers), hoping to find the target number. If the student does not find a pair, both cards are replaced face down in their original spots. It is now the second student's turn to choose a card from the "_9" array and to try to find the appropriate "_0" card. Students should try to remember where each number is located. (The game is called "Concentration" not "Guessing.")
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When a student finds a matching pair he or she keeps that pair of cards. Play continues until all cards have been matched. The student with the most matched pairs wins.

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