# Really Good Tug-of-War — Subitizing

## This Really Good Stuff® product includes:

- 56 Really Good Tug-of-War Subitizing 0–5 Playing Cards
- Storage Box
- This Really Good Stuff® Activity Guide

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### Meeting Common Core State Standards

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Tug-of-War — Subitizing O-5 is aligned with the following Common Core State

Standard for Mathematics:

### Counting and Cardinality

dentify whether the number of objects in one group is greater than, less than, or equal to the number of objects in another group, for example, by using matching and counting strategies.

Congratulations on purchasing this Really Good Stuff® Really Good Tug-of-War — Subitizing O-5—an enjoyable and familiar way to help develop and practice identifying and comparing numbers.

## Introducing Really Good Tug-of-War — Subitizing O-5

Before introducing **Really Good Tug-of-War** — **Subitizing 0–5**, make copies of this Really Good Stuff® Activity Guide, and file the pages for future use. Or, download another copy of it from our Web site at www.reallygoodstuff.com. In order for the game to be played independently, make at least one extra copy of the Answer Key on the back of this Activity Guide, and store it with the *Cards* so that the players can access it easily.

Decide which "books" you want to use to demonstrate Tug-of-War, and choose a couple of students to play with you for the class. While you shuffle the Cards, explain the object of the game and how to play to the volunteers. With the rest of the class gathered, model playing the game.

Playing Really Good Tug-of-War — Subitizing 0-5

Number of Players: 2 to 5

Object: To be the player who wins all of the Cards in the deck

#### How to Play:

- 1. Decide who will be the first dealer. For instance, perhaps the first dealer is the person whose birthday is closest to January 1<sup>st</sup>. (If you play more than one game, the deal then moves counterclockwise among the players.) The dealer shuffles all of the *Cards* and deals them out evenly among the players. If there are any extra *Cards*, set them aside.
- 2. Each player places his or her Cards in a pile facedown in front.
- 3. Each player turns his or her top *Card* faceup. The player to the right of the dealer identifies the number represented. Play continues around the circle with each player identifying the number represented.
- 4. The player with the *Card* showing the largest number wins all of the *Cards* from that round. If during the round, two or more players turn over *Cards* with the same number represented, those players play a *Tug-of-War* round.
  - Each Tug-of-War player places three more Cards facedown, then he or she places another Card faceup on the other Cards that are in play.
  - The Tug-of-War players each read the number represented on their top Card.

    The player with the largest number wins all of the Cards that have been played.
  - If any players during the Tug-of-War round have Cards with the same numbers again, they play another Tug-of-War round until one Tug-of-War player finally wins and takes all of the Cards.
- 5. Play continues until one player has won all of the *Cards* in the deck. (**Note:** As each player runs out of *Cards*, he or she shuffles the *Cards* that he or she has won and continues to play with them.

#### Variations:

- Play Tug-of-War as outlined, but have the player with the lowest number win the round.
- If time is limited, create a shorter version of the same game by removing a few "books," or Cards representing the same numbers, from the deck.

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Tug-of-War—Subitizing Answer Key

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