

Dice Games

Can I count and identify numbers?

Skills to Develop

- + Counting
- + Number identification

Materials

- + Printable dice [PDF]
- + Animals printable [PDF]
- + Glue

WHAT TO DO

Prepare Before the Activity

- 1. Print animal printable [PDF] and cut out individual animals
- 2. Print printable dice [PDF], cut, and assemble with glue
- 3. Hide printable animals around the room

During the Learning Activity

- 1. Explain that each number on the die coordinates to a certain animal from the Anchorage Museum and that you have hidden these around the room.
- 2. Children will roll the die and identify the number.
- **3.** Children will then search for the animal labeled with the corresponding number. When they find an animal, encourage them to re-hide the animal in a new place for the next turn.
- 4. Continue rolling and finding animals until you are ready for a new challenge.
- **5.** For a competitive version: take turns rolling the die. The person who finds the animal first gets the point and re-hides the animal in a new location. Play continues until a player reaches 10 points.

Extend the Fun

- + The player who rolls the larger number searches for the animal.
- + Roll multiple dice and add the numbers together to get the total. The first digit of the number tells you which animal to search for.
- + Research to learn more about the animals from dice games.

