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Suitable for students aged 7+

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Theme: Counting Age range: 7+

#### Context:

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### Preparation:

Print out the A4 sheets. Make up the A3 game board by cutting off the white border on the right hand side of the left panel, and gluing it to the right panel. If possible, laminate the Game Board and cover the card pages with 'clear pvc self adhesive film'. Then cut out the squares to make the Playing Cards.

### HOW TO PLAY CONNECT FOUR:

You need four people, one Game Board and two sets of coin cards (orange and blue). Work with a partner to make a team of two.

Shuffle your team's coin cards and place them in a pile face down.

Take turns to turn over your top coin card and decide where to put it on the board.

Everyone has to agree that the coin card fits with the square on the board.

The team with the first four cards in a line either horizontally, vertically or diagonally wins.

Try to build the connections, but don't forget you can block the opponents too!

### **Learning Outcomes:**

Students will be able to recognise and add up coins, and will have gained practice in mental arithmetic.

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(You can purchase a professionally printed, sound-enabled version of this activity with pre-cut cards from www.mantralingua.com. Students can use TalkingPEN to record and re-record aurally onto the pages and cards. Recordings can be saved and used for assessment, or shared with other classes and schools via "ShareLINK".)



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