

CTOM SPON ZONE Problem  
**Creating Numbers That Count**

**Judge: Preparation:**

- Set a table with five chairs for competing team members.
- Provide a copy of the problem instructions on the table for the team members.
- Place 25 playing cards in the center of the table

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**Judge Instructions:**

*(Judge: When team members enter the room, tell them)*

This is a verbal challenge. You have 1 minute to select the five team members who will compete. The others must sit in these seats and watch or be escorted from the room. They may not assist in solving the problem and may not talk.

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*(Judge: After 5 Team Members Chosen and seated, Read all the instructions, repeat, then Start the Time)*

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2. Once time begins, it will not be stopped, even if a judge asks you to repeat a response, clarify it, or give a more appropriate response. Speak loudly and clearly.
3. Your team will respond in the order that you are seated. You may not skip your turn, repeat an answer or pass. If one member of your team is stuck, then the others must wait for that team member to answer.
4. **Before each team member responds you must pick a card from the table and keep it. Once all the cards have been removed from the table time ends and there will be no more responses.**
5. Your challenge is to say a sentence with one, two, or three numbers. For example you might say “I laughed all day on **Tuesday**”. Or you might say “**Two** score and **seven** years ago Dr. Sam brought **fourth** a new era of creativity”
6. You will receive 1 point for sentences with 1 number, 3 points for sentences with two numbers, and 6 points for sentences with three numbers. Highly creative responses will receive an extra two points.
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