

Traditional Dominos game

Intended learning: using the traditional game of dominos to assist students to become familiar with the domino or dice patterns to 6.

Materials:

- Traditional domino blocks.
- Tiles can be purchased or made up from cardboard.

Description:

- Individual, pairs or threes.
- The dominoes are placed face down in a box.
- Each player selects five tiles and places these in front (so they can't be seen by other players).
- Players in turn place tiles on the table. Tiles next to each other need to have matching arrays (e.g. a five pattern must be next to another five pattern).
- If a player can't place a tile on the table he/she selects one from the unused pile.
- The game proceeds until a player has no more tiles.

Notes: once children are confident with this game, it can be used in other situations, e.g. matching dots and numerals or numerals that add to 5 or some other number.