


Integer Card Game

- 1-6 player per game
- Each player is dealt 5 cards
- Black suits are '**positive**'; red suits are '**negative**'
- All face cards count as '10'; Ace counts as '1'
- You can '**add**' and/or '**subtract**' to get your desired outcome
- Flip the first card in the remaining deck over as the 'target outcome'; players can use as many cards in their hands to match the outcome. Used cards are counted as 'scores'; players can 'refill' their cards back to 5 at the conclusion of each hand
- Continue the game until the deck is empty; the player with the most cards wins the round or predetermine how many rounds are in the tournament, and tally the score

Game Variations

- For grade 8 could multiply and divide integers
- Use two cards for 'target outcome'

Game example:



I have 5 cards in my hand, they are:
(+1), (-1), (+9), (+8), and (-5)

If the 'target outcome' is (-7), such as a 7 of Spade.

I can either:

put down my (+8) and (+1), and claim that $(+1) - (+8) = (-7)$, which would give me **TWO POINTS** (use two cards)

OR

put down my (-5), (-1) and (+1), and claim that $(-5) + (-1) - (+1) = (-7)$, which would give me **THREE POINTS**

Materials

- Deck of Cards

What's the math?

- Mental Math
- Order of Operations
- Operations with Positive and Negative Integers