# Multiplication and Division Fact Fluency! We Can Do It! 

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## Strategies for the Operations

1. Commutative Property (eliminates $50 \%$ of facts to learn)
2. Fven/Odd Rules of the Operation
(creates mathematical reasoning)
3. Properties of Zero
(identity element of addition and subtraction)
4. Properties of One
(identity element of multiplication and division)
5. Doubles-Doubles Plus/IMinus One (times 2$)$ (valuable connections to difficult facts)
6. Combinations that Make a Ten/Working with a Ten (facilitates place value and indepth computation)
7. Skip Counting Patterns of 2, 5, 10
(always 2, 5, 10, 0, 1, 11, 3, 6, 9, 12 then 4, 8, 7)
8. Patterns with Three, Six, and Nine
(tied to digital root patterns)
9. Patterns of Nines with All Operations
(connections to addition/subtraction visual check)
10. Inverse Operations (Triangular Relationship)
(always the four related questions)


## The Pattern Stick Game



## MATH TOOLS



- any pattern stick (2-12)
- double dice
- transparent chips
- partner(s)

This is a simple game to play for the "over and over" practice with the meaning of multiplication and decisionmaking regarding addition and the diffference between.

Each player needs a designated pattern stick (2-12), double dice, transparent chips and a partner. Players will take turns. The first player will roll the double dice. The player can deside to add or compute the difference between the numbers on the two dice. That answer is inserted into the meaning statement for multiplication, "___ groups of $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$ ." The player must state that complete equation. The product will be covered up. The objective is to be the first to cover the complete stick.

Let's say the teacher wants play to take place on the "two stick." For example, a player might roll a three and a four. Those two numbers can be added or the difference between can be computed. If the three and four are added, the player would say, "Seven groups of two equal fourteen." The fourteen would be covered. If the fourteen is covered, the player would say, "The difference between three and four is one, one group of two is two."
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## Drill Doughnuts






