



It's critical that students learn their basic facts as these are the foundations of many mathematical concepts. I have created the tic-tac-toe task cards for students to practice their subtraction facts while having fun.

First print out and laminate the individual cards. Then place them in a center for students to practice with a partner. Using a Vis-A-Vis or dry erase marker, have students draw a card, then decide who will be the x and who will be the o. The first student to go should be youngest. He or she will choose a box and solve the subtraction problem. When solved correctly, this student can then place his or her x or o in the box. If it is incorrect, the partner can place his or her x or o in that chosen box (or you can eliminate this option).

When a student gets three in a row, he or she collects the card. Students then draws another card and the game repeats. If there is a tie, students will set those cards aside and not count them toward their collections.

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The student at the end with the most cards wins.

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