

# Tables Cover Up to 5x5

*Tables Cover Up is a times table game which involve multiplying pairs of numbers between 0 and 5 together. It is a good game for developing quick recall of tables facts as well as strategic thinking.*

**Age range:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade+

**Number of players:** 2-3

**Learning:** Multiplication to 5x5, strategic thinking

## You will need

- Each player will need 10 counters of their own color.
- 2 small counters for the 0-5 grids.



## Instructions

- The first player to start places one of the smaller counters on each of the mini 0-5 grids at the top. The first player then multiplies the two digits together. If the first player is correct, they may place one of their counters to cover up the answer on the board.
- The second player now moves each of the mini-counters one place along the lines to two new numbers. If the second player wishes to leave a mini-counter (or both mini-counters) in the same position, then they can. The second player then multiplies the two digits together. If they are correct, they may place one of their counters to cover up the answer on the board.
- Play continues until a player manages to cover up 4 counters in a row.
- If a player cannot go, or gets an answer wrong, then play passes to the next player.
- The first player that covers up 4 in a row (horizontally, vertically or diagonally) is the winner!

## Variations

- Play the game for a set amount of time. Each time a player makes **3** counters in a row, they may remove one of their opponent's counters from the board. The winner is the player with the most counters on the board at the end of the time.
- A player must move both the mini-counters on their turn.

# TABLES COVER UP TO 5x5

3	2	0		2	1	4
4	1	5		0	5	3

12	10	5	8	2	0
15	4	12	3	1	9
6	20	8	16	5	10
25	9	6	2	20	12
0	6	16	4	15	1
12	10	20	9	25	8

