

## Benefits of Play:

Cognitive, Creative, Communicative, Social



## Focus Skills: Communication, Math

Grades: 7+

### Materials:

- Spinning Wheel
- Green Construction Paper and Yellow Tape for Field
- Dry Erase Markers for White Boards or Pencil and Paper
- Timer

### Set Up:

**STEP 1.** Create and customize a spinning wheel with the following: no gain, 10-yard gain, 15-yard gain, 25-yard gain, 10- yard loss, 15-yard loss, 25-yard loss, etc.

**STEP 2.** Clear a section of your classroom to create a football field using large pieces of green construction paper and yellow tape to mark the yards. Alternative: If you don't have space, simply draw a football field on the board.

**STEP 3.** Prepare subject questions in advance using questions either from one subject (i.e. Math, History, Science) or use multiple subjects for broader learning.

**STEP 4.** Explain the rules. Penalty for breaking the rules is a 10-yard loss!

**STEP 5.** Class should be divided into two teams. Each team should have dry erase markers to work out the problems on white boards or simply use pencils and paper.

### Game Time:

Teacher releases first question. The team that has the ball has only one minute to provide a response, but both teams must work all problems. Make sure students are communicating with one another. The team must agree on the final answer before it is given.

If time runs out, or they answer incorrectly, the other team "intercepts" the ball (question)

The team that gets the correct answer spins the wheel to see where they move on the field. (They can lose yards even if they get the right answer!) It keeps the suspense going!

Play until a team gets 5 touchdowns and has earned the "Championship"! (Modify the number of touchdowns to fit your available time.)

