

## Doubling the Limit Game

**Prerequisite:** *Comfort counting to 10, some comfort counting to 20, add and subtract 1 and 2 easily*

Very gradually, introduce multiplication to your child by a small change in language - start referring to doubling a number as taking “two of it” or as “multiplying it by 2.”

Set a starting total, say 20. Let your child choose whether to go first or second. During the first turn, a player chooses to subtract 1 or 2 from the current total. After the first turn, a player may subtract any number from 1 up to twice the number used on the last turn. The first person to reach 0 wins (an alternative rule is they lose). Once children learn to play this without writing anything down, it is a fun travel game.