Math Card Games Grades 1-2

Tens Go Fish - You need four sets of digit cards #1-9. (You can use playing cards with aces through nines or index cards with numerals written on them.) Play a traditional game of Go Fish but instead of looking for a match, you are trying to make the sum of ten. So if you had a six in your hand you would ask for a four.

Addition Top It - You need one deck of cards. (Aces = 1). Remove the jacks, queens and kings. Shuffle and then divide the deck into four piles, two for each player. Each player flips the top two cards and computes the sum. The person with the largest number for an answer wins the cards. (This can be played with three addends by using three piles of cards per player).

On/Off - You need 10 small objects and an index card or paper plate. The child puts the ten objects in his or her hand and then drops some onto the index card or paper plate. The child counts the object on the card and then tells how many objects must be in his or her hand. Next, the child counts the objects in his or hand to check if correct.