

Comparing Dots

Object of the Game

To compare the number of dots on cards and to collect the most cards.

Materials

Deck of Dot Cards (select from Set A, B, C, or D)

Math Concepts

- Comparing numbers
- Subitizing numbers

How to Play

1. Deal all the cards in your set facedown. Each player should have the same number of cards.
2. Both players turn over their top card.
3. The player with more dots says “I have more dots. I know because ____.” Then the player with more dots takes both cards. If the cards are the same, each player turns over another card.
4. Continue turning over cards. Each time, the player with more dots uses the sentence frame to explain how they know they have more dots.
5. The game is over when there are no more cards to turn over. The player with the most cards wins.

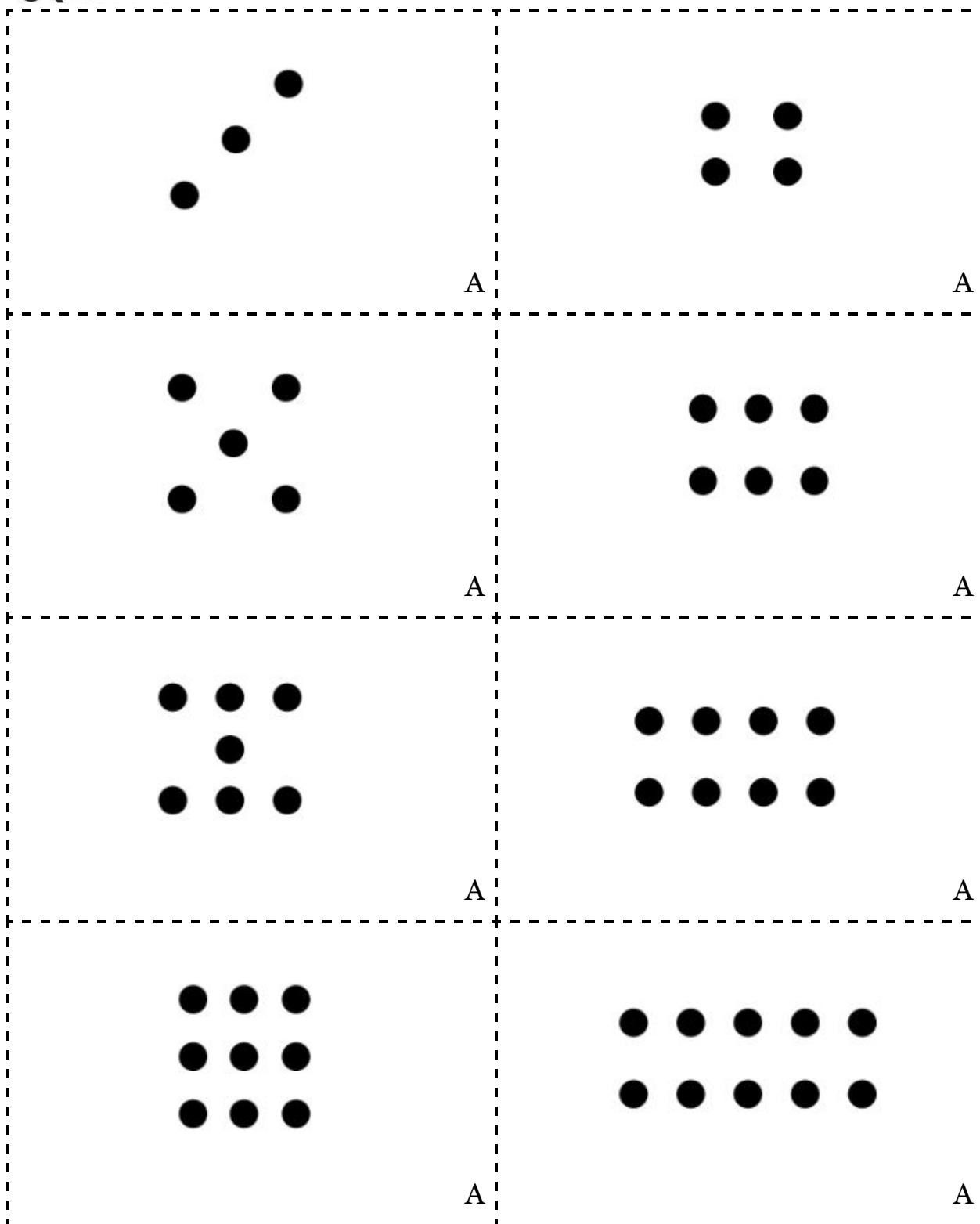
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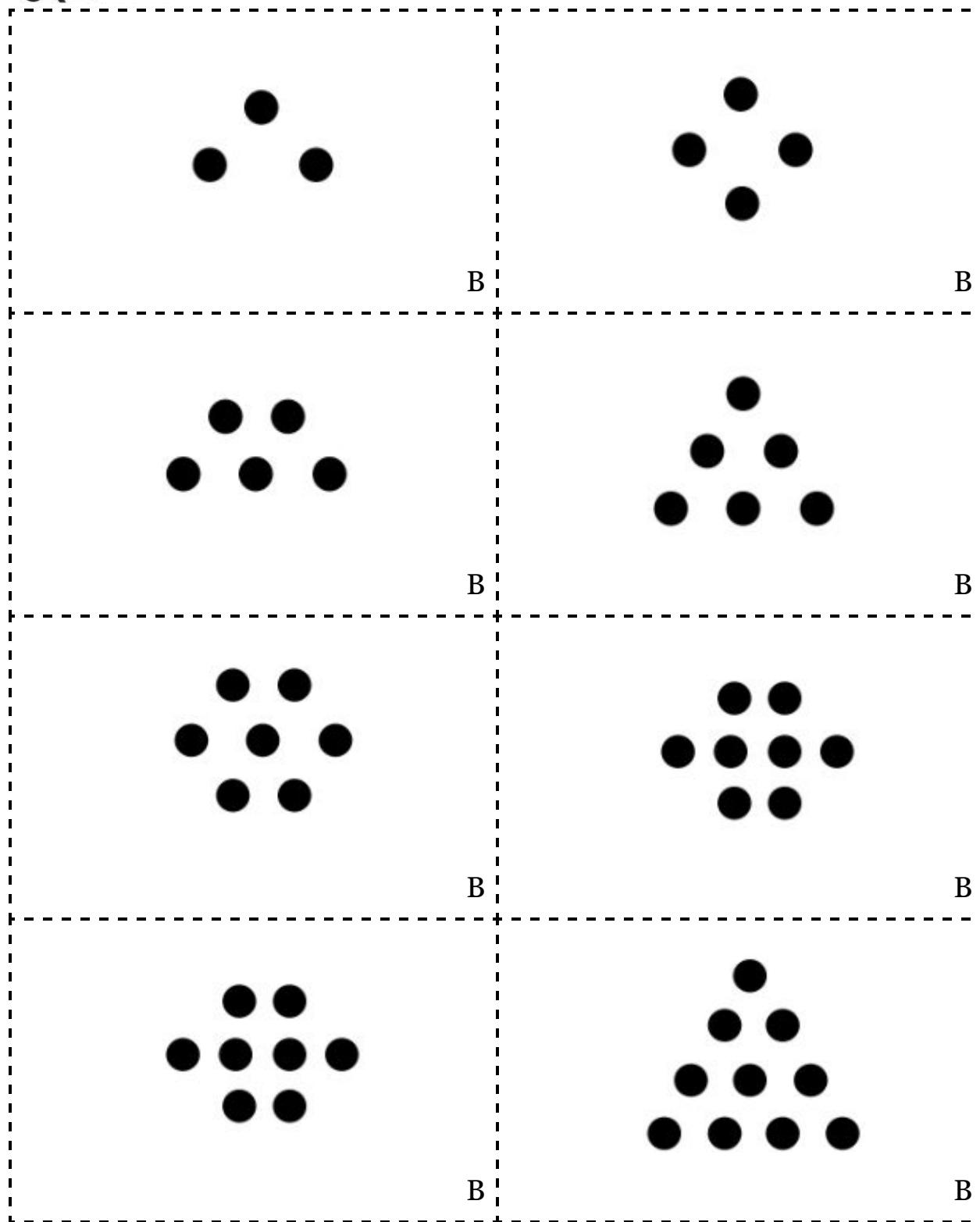
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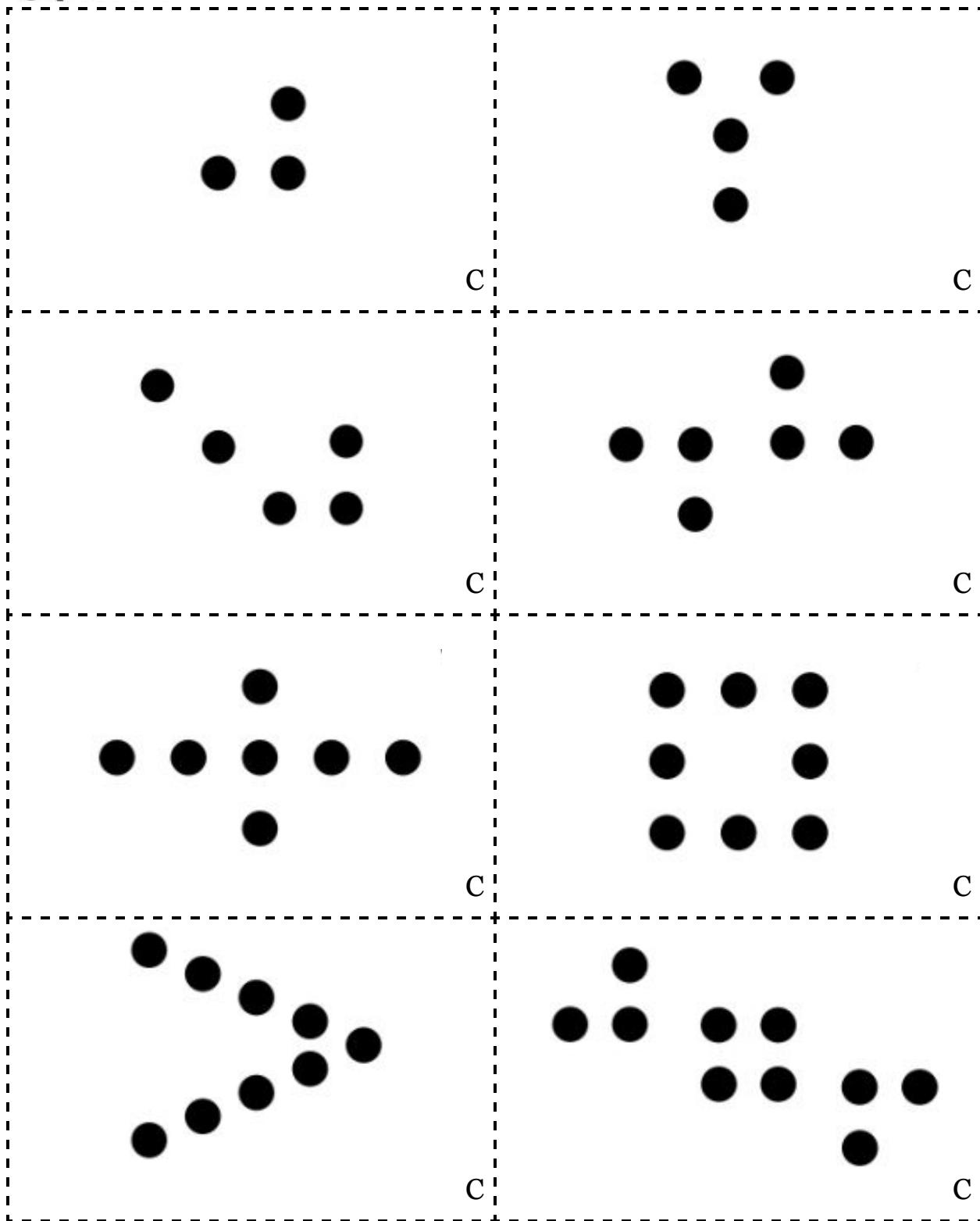
Variations

- The player with the fewer dots wins.

- Play with 3 players.
- Play “Comparing Double Dots” where each player turns over two dot cards at a time and then the players compare the sums of their two cards.

Dot Card, Set A

Dot Card, Set B

Dot Card, Set C

Dot Card, Set D