

# The Number Before

**Materials:** 2-digit numeral cards, hundred chart (optional), recording template (optional)

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1. Work with a partner. Place the cards facedown in a pile.
2. Take turns to flip over the top card in the pile and read the number. Tell your partner the number that comes before the number on the card.

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The number before  
\_\_ is \_\_.

3. Record your thinking.
4. Repeat with other cards in the pile.

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The number before  
\_\_\_ is \_\_\_.

The number before  
\_\_\_ is \_\_\_.

One less than \_\_\_  
is \_\_\_.

One less than \_\_\_  
is \_\_\_.

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