## Weekly Planning Suggestions

Introductory Activity: Number Talk	Introducing New Game(s)	Centers.	Summary Discussion
about 10-15 minutes	about 10-15 minutes	about 40 minutes	about 10 minutes
<ul> <li>Choose a fluency focus (+ or – within 5 / 10 / 20 / 100)</li> <li>Choose a visual model         <ul> <li>ten frames</li> <li>rekenrek</li> <li>dot patterns</li> <li>100 bead string</li> </ul> </li> <li>Decide on a problem or sequence of problems <ul> <li>Rekenrek example:             <ul> <li>Making 11</li> <li>(problem sequence)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Upper: 5   8   4</li></ul></li></ul>	Choose from one to three new games to introduce Decide how you will introduce each game:  Is there one that you can introduce to the whole group?  Is one of the games best introduced in a teacher-led small group? (this one could be introduced during centers time)  Make sure you are familiar with the rules for the games  Organize the game materials that will be incorporated into the centers rotation	<ul> <li>Students play games that help them develop fluency in addition and subtraction (or other concepts of number)</li> <li>At first you will probably use all of the games you have introduced</li> <li>At some point you may decide there are too many games to have out all at once</li> <li>In this case, you will need to decide which games to include in the centers menu for each session, and which games to leave out</li> <li>In choosing games to include, consider which math concepts you have observed that your students need to spend more time developing</li> <li>Ultimately the number of games you have out is up to you; 4 - 6 is probably reasonable for a 40 minute session</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Closing each session with a summary discussion can help students deepen their learning</li> <li>Summary discussions can be general or specific</li> <li>General summary, content: What did you learn / figure out / discover while you were here today?</li> <li>General summary, celebrations: What would you like to celebrate today?</li> <li>Specific summary, content: How have your ideas changed about how to solve problems like 8+5 or 11-6?</li> <li>Specific summary, celebrations: What happened during the centers today that you would like to celebrate?</li> <li>During the summary discussion, teacher simply moderates the discussion; all reasonable responses to opening question are acceptable. You will want to introduce norms discussion circles in the first session.</li> </ul>