

# SMASH Game

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**SMASH Games are interactive PowerPoints.**

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## Author Bios



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*Frenzy*, *READY-X*, and the *SMASH Game*, all of which are distributed by the Center for Mathematics and Teaching, as well as serving as senior author of the *Facasumi Puzzle Book*, which was distributed by the Arizona Association of Teachers of Mathematics.

# SMASH Game

The **SMASH Game** is a two-team game designed to capitalize on player's knowledge of:

SCIENCE    MATHEMATIC    ARTS    SPORTS    HISTORY

## Materials:

- For each game, there are 25 questions (5 per category). In each category, questions range in difficulty as indicated by their point values: 100 for least difficulty to 500 for most difficult.
- Scoreboard (user provided)
- Timer (user provided)
- Coin (user provided)

## Game Leader:

- Flips coin to determine which team plays first.
- Clicks on questions and solutions.
- Keeps track of time.
- Records scores.

## Teams:

- Teams may range in size from 5 to 8 players.  
If played in a classroom, half the class may be on each team.
- Each team chooses a captain. The Team Captain consults with the team to select a category and difficulty level. Then, when team members agree on the answer to the question, the Captain announces the answer. Team Captains change with each new game.

## Game Play:

- The team that asks the question is the first team to respond. The team is given 45 seconds to answer the question.
- If the question is answered correctly, that team scores points and can choose the next question.
- If the question is answered incorrectly, the other team plays. The other team can choose to answer the previous question or choose a new question.
- When all 25 questions have been played, the game is over. The team with the greater score is the winning team.