<u>What's Before?, 100-1000</u>

> **I am learning to say the number words in backward sequence, starting at any number (1-1000) and name the number word just before a given number in the range 100-1000.**

Materials:

At least one set of 20 consecutive numeral cards within the range 100-1000, not necessarily starting with 100; enough so each student will have 5 cards (e.g. for 4 players use 20 cards with any range such as numbers 181 to 220; for 3 players use 15 cards with any range such as numbers 737 to 751, etc.)

Directions:

1. Deal all the cards to the two to five players so each player will have 5 cards within the range 100 to 1000 (in the range 181 to 220 player one may have 184, 195, 216, 203, 192 and player two may have 193, 201, 210, 188, 219, etc.).

2. Each player studies the cards in his/her hand and lays down the largest numeral card. The teacher checks each player's decision.

3. Looking at the cards on the table, the group decides which card is the largest. The largest card on the table stays, while the other cards are returned to the players' hands from which they came.

4. Play now continues as the students place the remaining numeral cards in backward sequence, one by one, on top of the numeral card showing, until all of the cards are played. The player with the last card in the sequence is the winner.

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