

Yangamini: Groups in a Game

Elaboration 5 · Equal grouping in First Nations games

ELABORATION FOCUS

Modelling equal grouping and sharing in a First Nations Australian instructive game.

LEARNING INTENTION I can model a game with equal groups.

20 players

Groups of 5

4 groups

None left

Say it

1

Read the Game

Step 1: how many players in all? Step 2: how many in each group?

2

Make Equal Groups

Step 3: count out groups of 5.
Step 4: 5, 10, 15, 20 makes 4 groups.

3

Write and Explain

Step 5: write $20 \div 5 = 4$. Step 6: say it means 4 groups of players.

MODEL · 20 PLAYERS IN GROUPS OF 5

Yangamini is a Tiwi Island Peoples throwing game played in groups.



Group 1 — 5



Group 2 — 5



Group 3 — 5



Group 4 — 5

4 groups of 5 = 20 players

$20 \div 5 = 4$, so there are 4 equal groups of players, with none left over.

TEACHER MODELLING ROUTINE

I do → We do → You do

WATCH FOR

Making groups that are not the same size, or losing count of players.

REMEMBER

Equal groups means the same number in every group.

MATERIALS

Counters, hoops, bean bags, group cards, number sentence strips.

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