# Elevator Game (Grades K-2, Addition and Subtraction to 18)

In this game, players roll a die, go up and down an elevator, and collect counters.

Number of players: Two to four

What you need:

* Copy of the Elevator Game Board
* One 6-sided die
* 17 small counters for the players to collect from each floor (suggestions: 1 cm unit cubes, dried beans, Cheerios®, chocolate chips, small Lego® bricks or pony beads)
* One marker for each player—cut out, color and tape or glue together the people markers at the bottom of the page (print on cardstock?)

How to play: Before the game starts, put a counter on each floor of the Elevator Game Board except the first floor. Each player’s marker starts the game on the first floor.

***On each turn:***

1. The player rolls the die.
2. The player chooses whether his/her marker goes up or down.
3. If the player chooses to go up, the player says an addition equation, starting with the floor where his/her marker is currently placed and adding the number on the die. For example, if the player is on the 8th floor and rolls a 3, he or she would say, “eight plus three is eleven,” and then move the marker up to the 11th floor.
4. If the player chooses to go down, the player says a subtraction equation, starting with the floor where his/her marker is currently placed and subtracting the number on the die. For example, if a player’s marker is on the 8th floor and he or she rolls 3, he or she says, “eight minus three is five” and moves the marker down to the 5th floor.

In some cases, the player will only be able to go up or down, because there isn’t enough space in the building to go the other way.

1. The player takes the counter that is on that floor—if another player hasn’t already taken it.
2. Play continues for 10 rounds. The player who has collected the most counters wins.

Variation: If playing with more than two players, you may want to put two small counters on each floor (34 total) to make more opportunities for each player to collect counters.

## Elevator Game Board



Entrance

Ice Cream

**Bookstore**

**Games**

**Pizza**

**Clothes**

**Shoes**

18th floor

17th floor

16th floor

15th floor

14th floor

13th floor

12th floor

11th floor

10th floor

9th floor

8th floor

7th floor

6th floor

5th floor

4th floor

3rd floor

2nd floor

1st floor