

Questions for Further Discovery

- 1 Based on the interval chosen for the cards, for example 1 to 25, what is the highest target number you could compute?

$$25 \times 24 \times 23 \times 22 = 303,600.$$

- 2 If the number cards only have odd numbers, what computations must you do to get an even result?

Some suggestions might be:
Add an even amount of your odd numbers
Subtract two odd numbers.

- 3 If the number cards only have even numbers, is it possible to get an odd result?

Yes, if you use division.

$$\text{Even} + \text{Even} = \text{Even}$$

$$\text{Even} - \text{Even} = \text{Even}$$

$$\text{Even} \times \text{Even} = \text{Even}$$

$$\text{Even} \div \text{Even} = \text{odd or even depending on the numbers.}$$

$$12 \div 6 = 2 \quad 12 \div 4 = 3$$

See "Teachable Moments" (page 133) for further study of odd and even numbers.