Match the Equations Bingo

Before you start: You can either have the children make up their playing cards or have premade cards available for the kids (see example below). Players will also need game markers such as coins, cereal, plastic discs, etc. Marking pens are needed for those making their own playing cards. Have eight problems available to dictate to the children. Problems will vary depending on the skill level of the kids. In addition, make up one answer card for each problem given to the kids plus some extra cards that do not match any of the equations.

How to Play: To begin, have the children pick a space as "free space" and mark that on their card. Any space can be a free space. Then, give the children the equations to mark in the squares on their cards (see example below). You can write the problems on a chalk board or orally dictate the problems. Kids can pick any square to write in any given problem.

Next, mix up the answer cards and place them flat on the table. Turn over the top answer card. If a player believes that she has the right problem to match the answer, she can put a marker on the correct problem square on her card. As in bingo, the first player to mark his card horizontally, vertically, or diagonally wins the game. Have the winning child call out her problems to verify that she has the correct matches.

Example cards using addition problems:

5+5	2+8	6+1
7+6	2+3	8+4
2+9	9+0	Free
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Player 1

6+1	9+0	2+3
2+8	Free	2+9
8+4	7+6	5+5
Player 2		