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2. The teacher selects a number (numbers 4-12) work best (avoid 5 or 10, they're too easy).
3. Students stand in a large circle, taking turns to say numbers in order.
4. Any number that includes the Buzz number (let's say it's 8) the student must say "Buzz" instead of nominating their number.
5. In 5G, students also say "Buzz" for multiples of that number (e.g. 16, 24, 32 etc) so it goes something like;  
"23, Buzz, 25, 26, 27, Buzz, 29..."
6. Students who make a mistake sit down and are out (but help judge).
7. If an error is made, the next student must correct the mistake, so if someone was supposed to say "Buzz" instead of "38", then the next person must say "Buzz" rather than continue with "39". This ensures students don't plan too far ahead and avoids confusion.
8. It often gets interesting when you reach the decade of your nominated number (e.g. the 80s = buzz, buzz, buzz etc!)



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