

The Squarest Game On The Beach (Sam Loyd)

My chum and I were taking in the side shows the other day, when we struck what the man told us was the squarest game in the world. There were ten little dummies which you were to knock over with base balls. The man said take as many throws as you like at a cent a piece and stand as close as you please. Add up the numbers on all the men that you knock out and when the sum amounts to exactly 50, neither more nor less, you win a quarter.

Our money gave out before we learned how to win. Can you show how we might have made exactly 50 points and won a quarter?



The Numbers on the dolls
are

25 27

3 12 6

15 9 30 21

Answer: $9 + 16 + 25$