



## Early Adding & Subtracting

Use everyday objects such as fruit to add one and take one away.

## Number Circles

Draw numbers and corresponding circles. Ask your child to add items to the circles to match the numbers, such as conkers and acorns that you have collected from the park.



## Duplo Dots & Numbers

Along with numbers on Duplo - add dots. If children don't recognise the number, ask them to count the dots to find out what it is.

## Grouping

Ask children to build pens/fields for animals and then sort them into their pens. Count the number of animals in each field.





## Number Cups

Write numbers in circles on a piece of paper. Write the same numbers on the bottom of paper cups. Call out a number - children find it on the cup and cover the number on the paper.

Then time them to see how long it takes them to cover all numbers with the corresponding cups. See if they can beat their time.

## Number Outlines

Gather together any numbers that you have. Draw around them and then ask children to match the number to the outline. Always say the number out loud as it is matched.



## Car Park Numbers

Label cars with numbers and create a car park in a cardboard box.



## Number Stickers

Write numbers your child is familiar with start with 0 to 3. Call out a number and your child sticks a sticker on the correct one. Also really helpful for their fine motor skills.

## Playing Card Numbers

Give your child sets of cards - start with aces, twos and threes and ask them to put them together in piles. Add more numbers as they become familiar with them. Ask them to line the cards up from 1 to 3 and so on.



## Numbered Dot to Dot

Create a dot-to-dot. Add numbers and encourage them to be followed in order. Encourage correct pen grip.

## Grouping by 2s and 3s

Support your child in instant recognition of groups of 2 and 3 items. Use food and clothing during daily tasks.





## Tidy-up Counting

Use everyday contexts to count. How many toys can your child hold in one hand? How many toys will fit in the bag/box? How many cars are on the floor?

## Counting Stairs & Steps

Support your child with counting like behaviour and count everything! Including stairs and steps.



## Playdough Calculations

Create simple addition calculations using playdough. Ask children to add beads or other small objects to each number. Add up all the beads/objects to find the answer to the sum.



## Number Smash

Make numbers out of playdough. Call out a number and that's the one they can smash! Don't forget zero and start with numbers they recognise, before slowly adding more numbers. Focus on 0-5 initially.

## Number Dice

Cover an empty cardboard box with brown paper and make a giant dice. Roll the dice and mark off that number on a piece of paper or card.



## Duplo Numbers

Draw numbers on Duplo or building blocks and ask children to attach them together in order.

## Colour By Numbers

Create (or print) simple colour by numbers.





## Number Recognition

Write numbers randomly on a piece of paper. Roll a dice (or 2) and children colour over the number that they rolled.

## Number Threading

Mark strips of paper with a number and tape the ends together. Tape to a piece of paper or cardboard and give children a shoelace. Get threading. Tell them the number they are threading through, until they can tell you instead! Start with 0-3 before progressing beyond. Include zero!

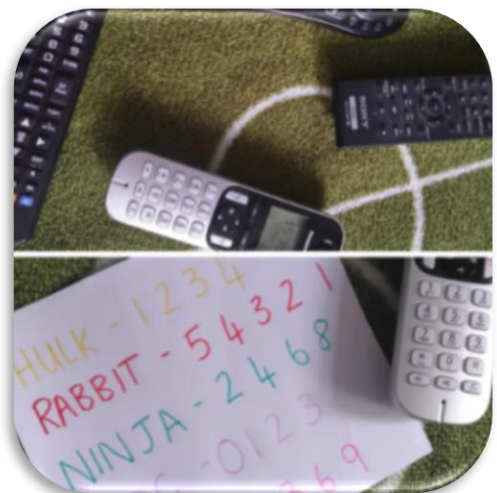


## Using Fingers

Encourage your child to use their fingers to support counting and representing numbers. Especially when singing number rhymes and songs.

## Remote Control Numbers

Use old remotes and/or telephones. Create codes for words or names, then ask children to tap the code into the remote or telephone using the correct numbers.





## Maths & Nature

Collect natural objects such as petals from a flower, stones, daisies, twigs and seeds. Sort them into separate dishes or containers. Count how many of each item you have and make a number label for each one.



## Number Shells

Write number on the inside of shells and turn them over. Let your child turn shells over and tell you the number inside. Can they match numbers together? Can they put them in order?



## Caterpillar Numbers

Along with numbers on Duplo - add dots. If children don't recognise the number, ask them to count the dots to find out what it is.