



# Literacy and Numeracy

**Tips to Help Your Child Every Day!**

## Numeracy

**Helping your child develop their numeracy skills**

Numeracy involves understanding how numbers work in everyday situations. We see and use numbers daily. When reading there are numbers on the page, our house has a number and when we buy something we add and subtract numbers. Help your child develop a positive attitude towards numeracy. It's important to build numeracy skills in your home language.



### Numbers and counting

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An early skill children develop is counting.

Counting includes:

- saying and recalling numbers in the correct order
- matching number words to objects
- knowing that the last number counted represents the total number of objects.

### Words to use

- count forward, count backwards
- number before, number after
- more than, less than 22
- is the same as

# Counting with your child



Resources

⊕ Arc

⊕ Numeracy at home | Mathematics Hub

- Count when you do things around the house.
- Cook simple recipes together and get your child to count out the ingredients.
- Encourage your child to help set the table for a family meal. Ask them to count the people and the plates, cups, forks, and spoons needed for the table.
- Count with your child the number of buttons as they do up their school shirt.
- Ask your child to count how many items are in their lunch box.
- Count forward. Count everyday items such as cars, houses, shoes and bags.
- Count backwards. Going downstairs, then upstairs. 10, 9, 8 ....



## Counting songs

- Here is the Beehive
- Five Little Ducks
- The Ants Go Marching
- One, Two, Buckle My Shoe
- Five Cheeky Monkeys Jumping on the Bed 26
- Ten Green Bottles