

NUMBER RECOGNITION

1. Make flash cards of numerals 0-30. When working with your child start with 0-10 and add 11-20 and 21-30 as they are ready.
2. Put pile of number cards in center of table. If player can identify his card, he gets to keep it. Player with most cards is winner.
3. Concentration— spread two of each number cards face down on table. Players take turns choosing two cards. If the cards match, the player gets to keep them. Player with most cards when all the face-down cards are gone is the winner.
4. Put out a number card. Have child count that many buttons, beans, etc. to make a “set”.
5. Take the bottom of an egg carton. Write various numbers in each “hole”. Have child put that many beans in the “holes”.
6. Stack number cards on table. Draw number cards on table. Draw a card. Jump that many times. Dominoes or dice can also be used.
7. Make numbers from clay, cookie dough, etc.
8. Write numbers on sandpaper, sand and chalkboards. Paint numbers. Paint sets.
9. Paste beans down on paper over the configuration of any given numeral.
10. Make up a worksheet. Write the numerals on the left hand margin. Have the child cut out items from a magazine and glue on as many items as the number denotes.
11. Use your imagination and you'll come up with lots of ideas. Remember, young children learn best by manipulating materials. Use paper-pencil activities sparingly at this age.

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