

The Rules of Counting

Build the language and process of counting: count each object once, know the arrangement does not change how many, and that the last number counted answers “How many?” – say numbers in sequence while playing and moving.

1

Count each once

Touch or move each object one time as you say a number.

2

Arrangement doesn't change it

Move them around – the count stays the same.

3

Last number is how many

The last number you say answers “How many?”

Say each number as you move



Clap, jump or step as you count – the last number, five, tells how many.

Count & move

Count claps, jumps and steps aloud as children play.

Point as you say

Touch each object once, matching one number to each.

Freeze & tell

Stop counting and ask “How many?” – say the last number.