

Dates and Days Between

Content descriptor · Reading calendars to find dates

ELABORATION FOCUS

Identifying the date on a calendar and determining the number of days between two events by counting on from one date to the next.

LEARNING INTENTION I can find a date and count the days between events.

Calendar

Date

Count on

Days between

Check it

1

Read the Date

Step 1: find the month at the top. Step 2: read the day name and the number.

2

Mark the Two Events

Step 3: circle the first event.
Step 4: circle the second event.

3

Count the Days Between

Step 5: start on the day after the first event. Step 6: count on to the second.

MODEL · COUNTING DAYS ON A CALENDAR WEEK

One calendar week, with two events circled and the days between counted on.

One week from a wall calendar

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
6	7	8	9	10	11	12

1 2 3 4
From Monday the 6th to Friday the 10th is 4 days: 7, 8, 9, 10.

TEACHER MODELLING ROUTINE

I do → We do → You do

WATCH FOR

Counting the starting day itself, which gives one day more than the real answer.

REMEMBER

Say it to students as: "Start counting on the day after the first event."

MATERIALS

Wall calendars, month grids, diaries, counters, sticky dots, highlighters.