

Cover Up—One to One Correspondence

Activities for Families

- Use counting and one-to-one correspondence with young children during daily routines. For example, talk about how each foot needs one sock when dressing in the morning. At dinnertime, discuss with your child how many plates are needed to set the table (one plate per family member).
- Draw your child's attention to, and talk about number concepts in relation to familiar objects around your house and neighborhood (for example, how many wheels are on a car compared to a bicycle).
- Sing songs, recite rhymes and read books about numbers to expose young children to numerals, counting, and number concepts. Children love to hear the same books, rhymes and songs over and over. Good examples of books and songs include: "Three Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed", "One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish", "One, Two, Buckle My Shoe", and "The Ants Go Marching One by One."
- Play age appropriate board games that use spinners or dice to allow for one-to-one counting.
- Use boxes or other containers (fishing tackle boxes, jewelry boxes) to sort and organize toys, craft supplies, and so on to practice one-to-one counting.
- Have fun dropping and counting (one-to-one correspondence) objects into containers (pennies into a bank, plastic bottles into a recycling bin, blocks into a toy box).