



## COUNTING

This Read Together Kit contains stories that are fun to share with one or many children. Combine these stories with any of the suggested songs and rhymes to create a counting-themed storytime.

Titles in this kit include:

Toddler and older:

- *Grandma's Tiny House* by JaNay Brown-Wood
- *Juanito Counts to Ten: a Bilingual Counting Book/Johnny cuenta hasta diez* by Lee Merrill Byrd
- *My First Bilingual Book: Numbers (Farsi-English)*
- *Ten, Nine, Eight* by Molly Bang

Preschool and older:

- *Baby Goes to Market* by Atinuke
- *Counting on Community* by Innosanto Nagara
- *Just a Minute* by Yuyi Morales

Early Learning Ideas:

- Being able to count fingers, steps, or even bounces is a great first step to introducing numbers to your child. As your child gets older, you can introduce what each number looks like when written out.
- Try incorporating other math concepts into daily activities such as eating and dressing.  
More and less: Ask which bowl has more or less of something  
Large and small: Ask which is bigger, your sock or your shirt?  
Long and short: check to see whose hair is longer, or which toy is shorter
- Introduce the idea of sorting and grouping items, which are also early math skills. Try to find fruits and vegetables in the produce department that are the same color, or a similar shape. You can also identify what items in your pantry are the same or different.

We would appreciate your feedback on these Read Together Kits  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ReadTogetherKit>



### Storytime Songs and Rhymes:

#### Bubble, Bubble Pop!

One little red fish swimming in the water,  
Swimming in the water, swimming in the water  
One little red fish swimming in the water,  
Bubble, bubble, bubble, bubble...POP!

Other verses: Increase the number of fish and change the color

Watch a video of this song: go to the Jbrary YouTube channel and search for "Bubble bubble pop"

#### Clap 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

Clap 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 (clap hands)  
Shake 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 (shake fingers)  
Slap 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 (slap knees)  
Roll 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 (roll hands)  
Snap 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 (snap fingers)  
Tap 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 (tap toes)  
Clap 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 (clap hands)

Watch a video of this movement: <https://kcls.org/content/clap-two-three-four/>

#### 10 Little Race Cars

1 little, 2 little, 3 little race cars,  
4 little, 5 little, 6 little race cars,  
7 Little, 8 little, 9 little race cars,  
10 little race cars go zoom, zoom, zoom!

Make up your own verses with other kinds of vehicles

Watch a video of this song: <https://kcls.org/content/one-little-two-little-three-little-race-cars/>

#### Dos manitas, diez dedos (Spanish)

Dos manitas, diez dedos, dos manitas, diez dedos,  
dos manitas, diez dedos, cuéntalos conmigo.

Uno, dos, tres dedos,  
cuatro, cinco, seis dedos,  
siete, ocho, nueve dedos,  
y uno más son diez.

Watch a video of this song: go to the WCCLS Birth2Six YouTube channel and search for "Dos manitas"