

NUMBERS: LEARNING AT HOME

NUMBER ACTIVITY IDEAS WHEN YOU ARE OUT AND ABOUT

In the car

There are many games you can play in the car with your child to keep them occupied:

- Count the number of cars with your child. Make the game a little more challenging by counting cars of each colour.
- Look out for and point out numbers when you are out and about, for example on signs, number plates and front doors.

In the neighbourhood

When walking around the neighbourhood with your child:

- count the number of houses in your street
- talk about *shapes*, for example: *The give way sign is a triangle*
- read and say the numbers on letterboxes.

Shopping

Keep your child occupied when shopping by getting them to:

- count the number of items in the trolley, basket or bag
- point out and look for numbers in the shop, for example, on price tags and shopping aisles
- find and group the *heavy* and *light* items when unpacking the shopping.

Ask your child questions while you are doing everyday activities so they begin to think and talk about maths from an early age.

Ask questions such as: *How many are there? Which way is it? Will it fit in there? Is there enough for all of us? and How big is it?*



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