

Bath time:

Is there enough water in the bath?
How far does the water go?
Let's play sinking and floating.
Which toy do you think will float/sink?
How many toys did float/sink?
Did the largest toy float/sink?
How full is this bottle?
Can you make a big/small splash?
This towel is too small.
Is this towel big enough?



At the shops:

Try to encourage your child to buy small items, giving them the opportunity to handle real money.

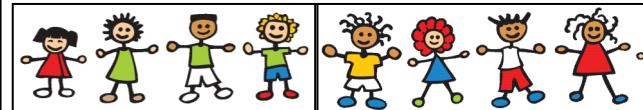
- ♦ Do we want a big carton of milk or a small carton?
- ♦ How many juices do we need?
- ♦ How many checkouts are there?



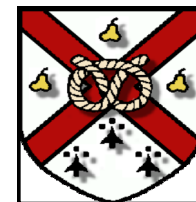
Useful websites

- Espresso
- Education City
- www.topmarks.co.uk
- www.mathszone.co.uk
- www.bbcnumeracy.co.uk

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Nursery Maths Activities at Home

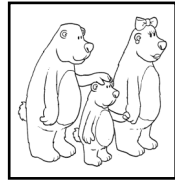


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Rhymes and Stories:

Rhymes and stories are a rich source of mathematical language and allow children to delight in repetition which also plays an important part in learning, for example:

- ♦ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Once I caught a fish alive
- ♦ 5 Currant Buns/ 5 Little Ducks
- ♦ Hickory Dickory Dock
- ♦ 1, 2, Buckle my Shoe
- ♦ Three Bears
- ♦ Three Little Pigs
- ♦ Three Billy Goats Gruff



At the table:

- ♦ How many knives do we need?
- ♦ Count them with me.
- ♦ How many more do we need?
- ♦ Do we have too many?
- ♦ Do we have enough?
- ♦ How many shall we take off the table?
- ♦ Can we match the cups to the saucers?
- ♦ How many big plates are there?
- ♦ What colour are they?
- ♦ What shape are they?
- ♦ How many parts shall we cut the cake into?
- ♦ How many pieces do we need?
- ♦ How many are left?



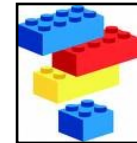
Cooking, using cups, jugs and spoons for measuring:

- ♦ Which is full?
- ♦ Which is empty?
- ♦ Which is half full?
- ♦ How many cupfuls?
- ♦ How many spoonfuls?
- ♦ How many eggs?
- ♦ Is it heavy or light?
- ♦ Do the scales balance?
- ♦ What shape is the tin?



Construction toys - building bricks:

- ♦ Which tower is the tallest/shortest?
- ♦ How many bricks make this tower?
- ♦ Which shapes fit together?
- ♦ Who can build a tower the fastest using five bricks?



In the street: Looking at houses

- ♦ How many doors?
- ♦ How many windows?
- ♦ Is there a square window?
- ♦ Is there a circle window?
- ♦ What other shapes can you see?

