



## Related Activities to Try at Home (page 1 of 2)

Dear Family,

The activities suggested below are related to the mathematics we are currently studying in school. Doing them with your child can enrich his or her mathematical learning.

**Tens Go Fish** The object is to find pairs that equal 10. Deal 5 cards (0–10) to each player. Leave the rest in a pile. (If a player has 2 cards that make 10, he or she puts them aside and draws 2 more.) Take turns asking each other for a particular card. For example, if you have a 3, you might ask, “Do you have a 7?” If your child has a 7, take that card, put them both on the table, and then draw a card from the deck. If not, “go fish” and draw the top card from the deck. Your turn ends when you cannot make a 10. The game ends when no one else can make a 10.

**Counting Feet** Read *How Many Feet in the Bed?* (see next page) and talk about the mathematics in the book. Pose questions such as: “How many feet are on this page? How did you figure it out?” Then ask your child to figure out how many feet are in your family. You can extend this conversation by asking about how many eyes, toes, ears, etc. Feel free to add more people and pets! “What if Grandma and her dog came over, then how many eyes would there be?”

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## Related Activities to Try at Home (page 2 of 2)

**More Counting by Groups** Find examples of things that come in groups and ask your child to figure out how many objects or items there are altogether. The book *What Comes in 2's, 3's and 4's?* (see below) can provide you with some ideas. You or your child can make up some problems to share. “There are 3 children riding tricycles in the playground. How many wheels in all?” or “There are 4 dogs on the street. How many paws?”

**Math and Literature** You can find the following books in your local library and read them together. The books focus on themes from this unit such as: combinations of 10, numbers to 100, things that come in groups, and counting by groups.

Aker, Suzanne. *What Comes in 2's, 3's, and 4's?*

Anno, Mitsumasa. *Anno's Counting House.*

Bogart, Jo Ellen. *Ten for Dinner.*

Crews, Donald. *Ten Black Dots.* (English/Spanish)

deRubertis, Barbara. *Count on Pablo.* (English/Spanish)

Hamm, Diane Johnston. *How Many Feet in the Bed?*

Harris, Trudy. *100 Days of School.*

Rockwell, Anne F. *100 School Days.*

Schlein, Miriam. *More Than One.*

Slater, Teddy. *98, 99, 100! Ready or Not, Here I Come!*

Sloat, Teri. *From One to One Hundred.*

Sturges, Philemon. *Ten Flashing Fireflies.*

