

Numeracy Gr 1 Nov 16

Activity 1: Getting to 11

Materials Needed:

- computer to look at links; two or three different kinds of objects for counting (could be any household or natural objects—forks, spoons, beans of different kinds, pinecones, sticks, rocks)

Task Instructions:

Read the book **12 Ways of Getting To 11** by Eve Merriam or listen to the read aloud [here](#).

Developing flexibility with addition is an important skill. Have your child re-enact the book with objects from around the house or in nature.

Then give them other numbers to find different addends.

Try to work up to 20, as the grade 1 curriculum involves numbers up to 20, but if your child needs it, move down to numbers between 1 and 10 (because it is a long year and they have plenty of time to get there; just work at the level they can understand). If this activity is easy for your child, go to numbers beyond 20.

Examples:

5	13
1 red bean and 4 white beans	2 pinecones + 11 rocks
2 forks and 3 spoons	6 sticks + 4 pinecones + 3 rocks

Parent tips:

Find an excellent guide to accompany the book/video [here](#), that will give you lots of the vocabulary needed and ideas for more activities.