

Numeracy Gr 1 Nov 16

Activity 2: Evens and Odds to 20

Materials Needed:

- items to count to 20 (lego blocks, beans, counters, pennies)

Task Instructions:

Talk with your child about the difference between EVEN and ODD numbers. Even numbers can always make two equal groups. So if you have a tower of lego, a tower made of an even number of blocks can be broken into two towers of the same height. Odd numbers, on the other hand, cannot be broken into two even towers.



Ask your child to determine whether the numbers between 1 and 20 are EVEN or ODD. Have them demonstrate this using the blocks or counters.

-ask how they will know if a number is even or odd?

-ask if you can make two groups of the same number?(future dividing)

-ask if they can skip count up to the number by 2's? (future multiplying)

Go up to 30 or higher numbers if your child is comfortable. Stick to 1-10 if your child is having difficulty.

Examples:

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EVEN, 2 piles of 7 beans or 7 blocks	ODD, cannot make two equal groups, one pile will always have one more

Parent tips:

If your child loves lego, you can strengthen the relationship between lego and math with [these activities](#)