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Activity 1: Balancing Act

Materials Needed:

- the book *Balancing Act* by Ellen Stoll Walsh or listen to the digital read aloud [here](#); for this activity you will also need an empty egg carton, and a funnel or some other way to use the egg carton as a balance and several similar items to use for balancing.

Task Instructions:

Read the book or watch the video link above.

Take an empty egg carton and make a balance as shown in the image below. Have your child practice balancing which numbers are equal and which are not. This teeter totter is just the bottom of an egg carton balanced on an upside-down funnel.



Have your child place objects on the different sides...what balances? What doesn't?

Take a look at more activities in this [video](#).

Parent tips:

The concept we are trying to teach here is the idea of equality as being a form of balance. Use this [excellent guide](#) to accompany the book/video, that will give you lots of the vocabulary needed and ideas for more activities.