



Count & Match

Experience

Preparation: Using paper or plastic plates, cut in half using different cutting patterns, e.g. zig zag, wavy, circular. On one half of the plate write a number, on the other half of the plate draw the corresponding number of dots eg. the number 6 on one piece and 6 dots on the other.

Note: Make sure the plates can reconnect by matching the cut out shapes.

Mix up the prepared plates and spread on a flat surface. Invite your child to play 'Count & Match'. To begin, your child can look for the matching shapes and reconnect the pieces.

To extend: Adult can role model counting the dots and looking for the corresponding number.

Variation: Use coloured markers to support colour recognition. Draw shapes instead of dots to support shape recognition.

Learning benefits

- Number, shape and colour recognition
- Memory skills
- Development of attention span
- Supports turn taking and co-operation



3 - 5 mins



2 - 3 years

Materials

Paper or plastic plates

Black or coloured permanent markers

Hints and Tips

Older children can assist with plate cutting

Turn upside down and play memory type game