

## Rational Counting

**\*\* Parent Note:** When you are counting objects always repeat the last number said and say Yes, there are \_\_\_\_\_. Also, experiment by saying, what would happen if we counted starting with this end first. Would it be the same amount? If you are counting small objects after counting them, cover them up and say "How many are under here?" Uncover and have them recount to see... Or... rearrange the objects after they have counted and ask "How many are there now?" Have them guess and then recount. Children need to discover that the order or arrangement does not affect how many there are and that the count doesn't change.

Count how many coins were in my pocket.

Count how many doors are in the house.

Count how many cars are parked in the lot.

Count how many bowls are on the table.

Count how many shoes are by the door.

Count how many motorcycles you see on the way to \_\_\_\_\_.

Count how many fish are in the tank.

Count how many pieces of pizza are on the pan.

Count how many apples are in the bag.

Count how many toothbrushes...

Count how many cups are in the cabinet.

Count how many chairs are in the house.

Count how many trees are in your yard.

Count how many hops it takes to get from the front door of the house to your couch.

Count how many mirrors are in your house.

Count how many cars are at the gas station.

Count how many are in line at McDonalds.

Count how many buttons are on the shirt.

Count how many ice cubes are in the tray.

Count how many eggs are in the carton.

Count how many crayons are in the box.

Count how many pictures are on the wall.

Count how many clocks are in the house.

Count how many letters are in your first and last name.

Count how many toes you have.

Count how many fingers you have.

Count how many feet are in your house.

Count how many times mom or dad claps their hands. (clap anywhere between 3 and 10).

Count how many windows are in the house.

Count how many bites does it take to eat your \_\_\_\_\_. (apple, sandwich, french fry..etc.

Count how many times mom or dad knocks on the door. (anywhere from 3-10)

Count how many pillows are in your house.

Play a board game that involves rolling a dice or using a spinner and move that many spaces.

While preparing dinner, please give me (a number less than 10) \_\_\_ carrots from the bag, (a number less than 10) \_\_\_ potatoes from the bag, etc.

Get \_\_\_ cookies from the jar to share with your friends.

Line up \_\_\_ (any number less than 10) of your stuffed animals to watch the movie with you.

Get \_\_\_ (any number less than 10) pennies from the pile to put into your piggy bank.

Pass out \_\_\_ (any number less than 10) napkins to help set the table.

Show me \_\_\_ (any number less than 10) crayons from the box.

## Seed Observations

**Activity:** Draw/Write observations about your germinating seedlings.

**Items needed:**

Sprouted seed activity from earlier in the week

Paper

Crayons/Markers/Pencils

Ruler/Measuring Tape

**Instructions:**

Observe your greenhouse seed that you are trying to germinate. Draw a picture of what it looks like and anything that you notice happening. Write down observations, or dictate to someone else. Include items like: colors, shapes, condensation, measure the seedling. Have children write letters or help you with the sounds those letters make. Do this every other day. \*When your seeds have sprouted and have leaves emerging they can be moved into soil and will continue to grow.

## Cloud Picture

**Activity:** After reading/watching Little Cloud by Eric Carle make a cloud picture.

### **Items needed:**

Book (watch an EEC teacher read it on Facebook or find on YouTube)

Paper

Glue/Tape

Cotton Balls (or tissue paper)

Pencils/Crayons

### **Instructions:**

Read/Listen to the book Little Cloud (if it's nice take the book outside lay down and hold it above your head). If you don't own the book, listen to an Eastside Educational Teacher read the book on Facebook or find a reading of it on YouTube.

Observe the clouds in the sky, what do you see? Then make a picture of your own cloud using torn up pieces of cotton balls or tissue paper.