

Cards for Counting

This activity explores



Shapes



Sorting



Counting

Learning Goal

Practice Sorting and Counting.



What You'll Need

- A deck of cards
- Counting chips

Steps

1. Sort the Cards
Sort by color; Sort by shapes; Sort by numbers
2. Count the Cards
Count how many cards are in a pile.
Try small groups (like 5 or 10 at a time).
3. Line Up the Numbers
Put the cards in order
Younger children can start with 1–5.
4. Make Numbers Real
Place chips on the cards (ex: 5 Cheerios on the "5" card).
Count the snacks together.

Watch Video



Talk Together

- What other ways can we sort the cards?
- What else can we count that is near us now?

Book Suggestion

Ten Black Dots
by Donald Crews

Online

Peg + Cat: Rock Art

<https://pbskids.org/peg/games/rock-art/>

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