

Reception Maths Vocabulary

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| <p>Counting</p> <p>number zero, one, two, three... to twenty and beyond zero, ten, twenty... one hundred none how many...? count, count (up) to count on (from, to) count back (from, to) count in ones, twos... tens... more, less, many, few odd, even every other how many times? pattern, pair guess how many, estimate nearly, close to, about the same as just over, just under too many, too few, enough, not enough</p> | | |
| | <p>Comparing and ordering numbers</p> <p>the same number as, as many as <i>Of two objects/amounts:</i> greater, more, larger, bigger less, fewer, smaller <i>Of three or more objects/amounts:</i> greatest, most, biggest, largest least, fewest, smallest one more, ten more one less, ten less compare order size first, second, third... tenth last, last but one before, after next between above, below</p> | |
| | | <p>Adding and subtracting</p> <p>add, more, and make, sum, total altogether score double one more, two more, ten more... how many more to make...? how many more is... than...? take (away), leave how many are left/left over? how many have gone? one less, two less... ten less... how many fewer is... than...? difference between is the same as</p> |

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| <p>Solving problems</p> <p>Reasoning about numbers or shapes</p> <p>pattern puzzle answer right, wrong what could we try next? how did you work it out? count, sort group, set match same, different list</p> | <p>Problems involving 'real life' or money</p> <p>compare double half, halve pair count out, share out left, left over money coin penny, pence, pound price cost buy sell spend, spent pay change dear, costs more cheap, costs less, cheaper costs the same as how much...? how many...? total</p> | <p>Measures</p> <p>measure size compare guess, estimate enough, not enough too much, too little too many, too few nearly, close to, about the same as just over, just under</p> |
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| Length | Weight | Capacity |
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| <p>length, width, height, depth long, short, tall high, low wide, narrow deep, shallow thick, thin longer, shorter, taller, higher... and so on longest, shortest, tallest, highest... and so on far, near, close</p> <p>Exploring patterns, shape and space shape, pattern flat curved, straight round hollow, solid corner face, side, edge, end sort make, build, draw</p> | <p>weigh, weighs, balances heavy/light, heavier/lighter, heaviest/lightest balance, weight, scales</p> <p>Time time <i>days of the week: Monday, Tuesday...</i> day, week birthday, holiday morning, afternoon, evening, night bedtime, dinnertime, playtime today, yesterday, tomorrow before, after next, last now, soon, early, late quick, quicker, quickest, quickly slow, slower, slowest, slowly old, older, oldest new, newer, newest takes longer, takes less time hour, o'clock clock, watch, hands</p> | <p>full half full empty holds container</p> <p>3D shapes cube pyramid sphere cone cylinder</p> <p>2D shapes circle triangle square rectangle star</p> |

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Patterns and symmetry

size
bigger, larger, smaller
symmetrical
pattern
repeating pattern
match

Position, direction and movement

position
over, under
above, below
top, bottom, side
on, in
outside, inside
around
in front, behind
front, back
before, after
beside, next to
opposite
apart
between
middle, edge
corner
direction
left, right
up, down
forwards, backwards, sideways
across
close, far, near
along
through
to, from, towards, away from
movement
slide
roll
turn
stretch, bend