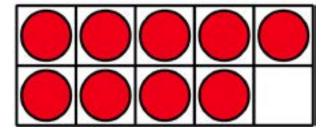
Math Moments that Matter

Kindergarten: Numbers to 10

Kindergarten is all about building strong number sense. One of the key ideas your student will work on is recognizing numbers to 10. Your student will learn to count, recognize, and write numbers to 10. This lays the foundations so that they can extend this key idea to numbers to 20 and beyond in 1st grade.

EXAMPLE: Ten-frame



EXAMPLE: Math fingers



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Communicating in Math

In Kindergarten, students learn to talk about their math thinking and listen to others. This helps them grow as problem solvers! They learn to:

- · Explain how they solved a problem.
- · Listen to a friend's ideas.
- · Show their thinking with pictures, numbers, and words.
- Work together to solve problems.

These skills help students understand math more deeply – and learn from each other!

What You Might See in the Classroom:

Hands-on materials like counters or connecting cubes.

Math talk with sentence stems like "I see because..."

Students showing numbers in many ways (fingers, dots, drawings, words).

Teachers asking: "How do you know?" or "Can you show it another way?"

Students talking with partners or in small groups about their thinking.

What You Can Do at Home:

Ask: "Can you show that number a different way?"

Play board games that use dice and counting.

Use snacks for sorting and grouping (e.g., "How many grapes do you have? Can you make two equal groups?")

Ask: "How did you know that was 7?"

Play "I Spy" with numbers: "I spy a group of 4 things."

Make it a Math Moment!

Everyday moments are math moments—when your student explains their thinking, they're doing powerful learning!

