

# Elementary Math -Counting

Children from an early age are already being exposed to early math skills as they play with their toys (i.e. counting their toy cars, counting the lego blocks, etc) and these skills will help and guide them as they enter the school system. In this activity the children will learn the skills on how to organize numbers, one to one correspondence, and the ability to understand about quantity without counting. So save those popsicle sticks during the hot days, because they can be used for a fun math activity.

## What you need:

- Popsicle sticks (coloured sticks are better for this activity. You can have the children colour the sticks as well)
- Magnet strip
- Number stickers (bought at Dollar stores)
- Paperclips (around 40 clips)
- Hot glue gun
- Zip lock bag



## What to do:

1. Cut out a magnetic strip for each popsicle stick you will be using and hot glue it onto the popsicle stick
2. Stick on the number stickers at one end of the popsicle stick
3. Place the popsicle sticks and the paperclips inside a zip lock bag
4. Give a brief simple instruction to the children about the activity and let them start learning about math

You can extend the activity by teaching the children about addition and subtraction

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