

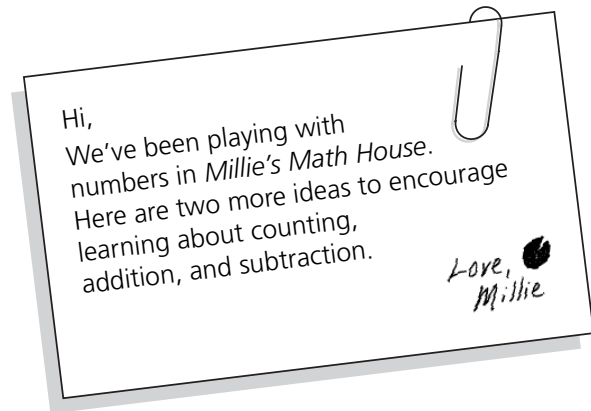


What's My Number?

Together Time

Marble Bag

Count out 3 marbles with your child and put them into a marble bag. Now say, "I'm going to add 1 more marble." Put another marble into the bag. Can your child guess how many marbles are now in the bag? Count them together to check the answer. As you continue, switch roles and/or try more difficult problems. You can also try subtraction problems, beginning with a simple problem such as: Put 4 marbles in the bag; remove 1; guess how many are left.



License Plate Search

The simple game helps time in the car pass quickly and teaches simple number skills as well. Ask your child to search license plates, looking first for a number 1, and then a number 2, continuing to number 9. Meanwhile, you look for number 9 and work down to number 1. See who finishes first. To practice simple addition, alter the rules to allow credit if the first two numbers on a license plate add up to the desired number. (For example, if your child needs a number 3, a license plate beginning with 21 would work because $2+1=3$). Or, to practice subtraction, allow credit if the difference between the first two numbers on a license plate equals the desired number.

