

EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE

NUMBER

Number and place value

Number

zero

number

one, two, three ... to twenty and beyond
teens numbers, eleven, twelve ... twenty

none

how many ...?

count, count (up) to, count on (from, to),
count back (from, to)

count in ones, twos, fives, tens

is the same as

more, less

odd, even

few

pattern

pair

Place value

ones

tens

digit

the same number as, as many as

more, larger, bigger, greater

fewer, smaller, less

fewest, smallest, least

most, biggest, largest, greatest

one more, ten more

one less, ten less

compare

order

size

first, second, third... twentieth

last, last but one

before, after

next

between

Estimating

guess

how many ...?

estimate

nearly

close to

about the same as

just over, just under

too many, too few

enough, not enough

Addition and subtraction

add, more, and

make, sum, total

altogether

double

one more, two more ... ten more

how many more to make ...?

how many more is ... than ...?

how much more is ...?

take away

how many are left/left over?

how many have gone?

one less, two less, ten less ...

how many fewer is ... than ...?

how much less is ...?

difference between

Multiplication and division

sharing

doubling

halving

number patterns

Fractions

parts of a whole

half

quarter

MEASUREMENT

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

Length

metre

length, height, width, depth

long, short, tall

high, low

wide, narrow

thick, thin

longer, shorter, taller, higher ... and so on

longest, shortest, tallest, highest ... and so on

far, near, close

Weight

weigh, weighs, balances

heavy, light

heavier than, lighter than

heaviest, lightest

scales

Capacity and volume

full

empty

half full

holds

container

Time

time

days of the week, Monday, Tuesday ...

day, week

birthday, holiday

morning, afternoon, evening, night

bedtime, dinner time, 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

Money

money

coin

penny, pence, pound

price, cost

buy, sell

spend, spent

pay

GEOMETRY

Properties of shape

shape, pattern

flat

curved, straight

round

hollow, solid

sort

make, build, draw

size

bigger, larger, smaller
symmetrical
pattern, repeating pattern
match

2-D shape

corner, side
rectangle (including square)
circle
triangle

3-D shape

face, edge, vertex, vertices
cube
pyramid
sphere
cone

Position and direction

position
over, under
above, below
top, bottom, side
on, in
outside, inside
around
in front, behind
front, back
beside, next to
opposite
apart
between
middle, edge
corner
direction
left, right
up, down
forwards, backwards, sideways

across
next to, close, near, far
along
through
to, from, towards, away from
movement
slide
roll
turn
stretch, bend
whole turn, half turn

STATISTICS

count, sort
group, set
list

GENERAL

pattern
puzzle
what could we try next?
how did you work it out?
recognise
describe
draw
compare
sort