

# NUMBERS: LEARNING AT HOME

## NUMBER ACTIVITY IDEAS WHEN YOU ARE OUT AND ABOUT

### In the car

There are many games you can play in the car with your child to keep them occupied:

- Count the number of cars with your child. Make the game a little more challenging by counting cars of each colour. Keep a tally of the cars counted for each colour and at the end of the journey see which colour wins.
- Talk about directions using language such as: *left, right, north, south, east* and *west*.
- At the service station ask your child questions like: *How much does the petrol cost today?* and *How do you know?*

### In the neighbourhood

When walking around the neighbourhood with your child:

- count the number of houses in your street
- talk about shapes, for example: *The give way sign is a triangle*
- talk about directions while walking to a friend's house and the shops.

### Shopping

Keep your child occupied when shopping by getting them to:

- count the number of items in the trolley, basket or bag
- point out three-dimensional objects and say what the object is called, for example: *This can is a cylinder*
- work out how many of each item is needed, for example: *How many sausages do we need for everyone for dinner?*
- find and group the *heavy, light* and *tall* items when unpacking the shopping
- point out and look for numbers in the shop, for example on price tags and in shopping aisles
- discover and talk about money, for example the notes and coins you use to buy things, the change that is given and the total amount of the items bought.



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