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Number Recognition

Why is it important? Recognizing numbers is one of the very earliest stages of math comprehension. When counting out loud, many children have a hard time grasping the concept that the last number said is equal to the amount of items counted (we counted to 10, therefore there are 10 items). Recognizing numbers and reinforcing this concept is a huge step toward bridging that gap.

Everyday tips: Number recognition can be as simple as pointing out speed limit signs to your child as you drive. As you're shopping for groceries, ask your child to read prices for you. They'll feel so important! Numbers are everywhere, and once your child starts to feel confident in recognizing them, they'll be happy to read numbers for you everywhere.

Activity 1: Writing Numbers

Ask your child to write down some of the important numbers in their life: how old are they? How many pets do they have? What's your house number? How many grandmas does your child have? Contextualizing the numbers will make them more fun to write!

Activity 2: Recognizing Numbers

Write some numbers on small pieces of paper and put them at the bottom of a muffin tin. Ask your child to use kid tweezers or their fingers to place the correct amount of beans/dry pasta/pompoms/whatever you have around the house into the muffin tin cups.