Add & Enhance - "Numbers Help Me Count"

Enhancing the learning environment is easy! Here are a list of materials you may want to add to your learning areas to enhance the unit, "Numbers Help Me Count" as well as provide opportunities for both free and guided play. Please add other materials you feel would your children would enjoy as well. See our, "The Environment & the Gee Whiz Curriculum" for more information on materials you should have in your program in these areas.

ART AREA

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- Numeral stampers and washable ink pads
- Plastic numerals (for paint & tracing)
- Grocery store sale flyers
- Price tag stickers
- Number stencils
- Old license plates (cover all edges with masking or duct tape)
- Rulers

DRAMATIC PLAY/DRESS-UP

- Assorted clothing in all colors (men's, women's, children's) with numerals (e.g., sports jerseys)
- Grocery store sale flyers
- Old store loyalty cards
- Play paper money
- Toy cash register
- Calculators, old cellphones, computer keyboards, etc. (secure any battery compartments with tape)
- Bathroom scale and/or digital food scale

BLOCKS

- Assorted multicultural people figures
- Park the Cars game (see p. 21)
- Yardsticks, rules and/or measuring tapes
- Bathroom scale
- Toy vehicles with numerals on them (e.g., race cars)
- Cardboard boxes (for building)

LITERACY & WRITING

- Books about numerals & counting (see Book List in Teaching Guide for suggestions)
- Assorted writing tools (both thin & thick: markers, crayons, pencils, etc.) in a variety of colors
- Calculators (secure battery compartments with tape)
- Junk mail
- Working computer with keyboard (or laptop)
- Cookbooks, "how to" and other books that include measurements



GROSS MOTOR PLAY & MUSIC/MOVEMENT

(indoors and outdoors)

- Parachute (if you have one) or large bed sheet/blanket
- Songs about numerals & counting
- License plates (small) to attach to riding toys
- Numeral Path (p. 11)
- Stopwatch



MANIPULATIVE, SCIENCE, MATH

- Puzzles featuring numerals
- Bathroom scale, yardstick, tape measure, rulers
- Calculators, old cellphones, clock with hands
- Plastic numerals (add to water and/or sand)
- Numeral Exploration Station (p. 13)
- Make It! Sheet #2 (dog with bones) Use to make a learning center material
- Numeral cards

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