

Home Support Tips

Early Level (P1)

- Play 'how many' games. "How many apples are in the fruit bowl? How many are left if I eat one?"
- Play sorting games – "Put all of the oranges into this bowl and the apples into this one. How many are in each?"
- Ordering objects – "Put these tins in order, the smallest here and the biggest here."
- Play board games with dice - such as snakes and ladders.
- Ask children to set the table and let them collect the right number of knives & forks.
- From a pack of cards (without the tens, Jacks, Queens and Kings) play a game of pairs where you try to turn over two of the same, or turn over two cards that add up to ten.
- Talk about what numbers mean when they appear in everyday situations such as signs, adverts, on a clock face, a flat or a house number. For example, counting out odd and even house numbers.
- Talk to your child about their school homework and ask them to explain what they're doing and how they do it.



First Level (P2 - P4)

- Play board games with dice - such as snakes and ladders.
- Practise writing numbers using flour, salt, paint, shaving foam – the messier the better!!
- Talk and ask questions about common fractions; half, quarter, third whenever you are cutting pizza.
- Use a calendar to plan out some family events throughout the year. How many days or weeks are between events?
- Budgeting - Imagine you have £10. Choose three sweets to buy. Work out the total cost and/or how much change you would have.
- Practise number bonds to 10 (2 numbers that add up to 10) and times tables (from P3 upwards).
- Practise counting in patterns – in 10s, 5s and 2s.
- Talk to your child about their school homework and ask them to explain what they're doing and how they do it.

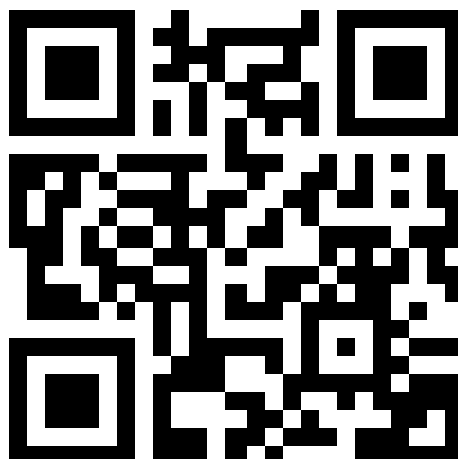


Second Level (P5 - P7)







- Play board games with dice - such as snakes and ladders. If you're feeling really competitive dig out the Monopoly board!
- Include your child in decisions around household finances - "Which one is best value?", "How much is the window cleaner per year?"
- Ask them to read the dietary information on various foods and ask "How many grams of fat in 100 grams of...?"
- Give your child responsibility for their own money. Open a bank account for them allowing them to track their savings.
- Get your child involved in any DIY projects you're doing - you can secretly check their measurements!
- Don't miss any opportunities to talk and ask about fractions and percentages when out shopping, or even when serving dinner.
- Talk to your child about their school homework and ask them to explain what they're doing and how they do it.



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