

Maths Mastery Home Learning Challenge

Adult Guidance

What Are We Learning?

We are learning to compare quantities to five.

How to Set up the Challenge

- With your child, practise counting to five using your fingers as a guide.
- Explain the game; you both put one hand behind your back and say, "Ready, steady, go!"
- Then, each person reveals the hand hidden behind their back to show a number of fingers.
- With your child, count and compare the number of fingers you are each holding up. Who is holding up more/fewer fingers?
- Play the game again. Each time, hold up fingers to count and compare.
- You could try showing different arrangements of fingers too.



How to Get Your Child Thinking

- How many fingers are you holding up?
- How many fingers am I holding up?
- Who is holding up more/fewer fingers?
- Can you hold up more/fewer fingers than me?
- I think I am holding up more fingers than you. Am I correct? How can we check?
- Can you show me zero fingers?
- Can you find another way to hold up three fingers?
- Can you hold up the same number of fingers as me?

Finger Count and Compare



- Play a counting game with a grown-up.
- Hide one hand behind your back and hold up a number of fingers.
- Say, "Ready, steady, go!" and show your hand to your grown-up.
- Who is holding up more fingers?
- Play the game again. Can you show a different number of fingers? Who is holding up more fingers this time?