Reception children are encouraged to learn through play and practical activities. They work with the numbers up to 10 to ensure they know the numbers well and use them in their play.

We encourage children to use a number track to help them count. Have them available at home if possible.

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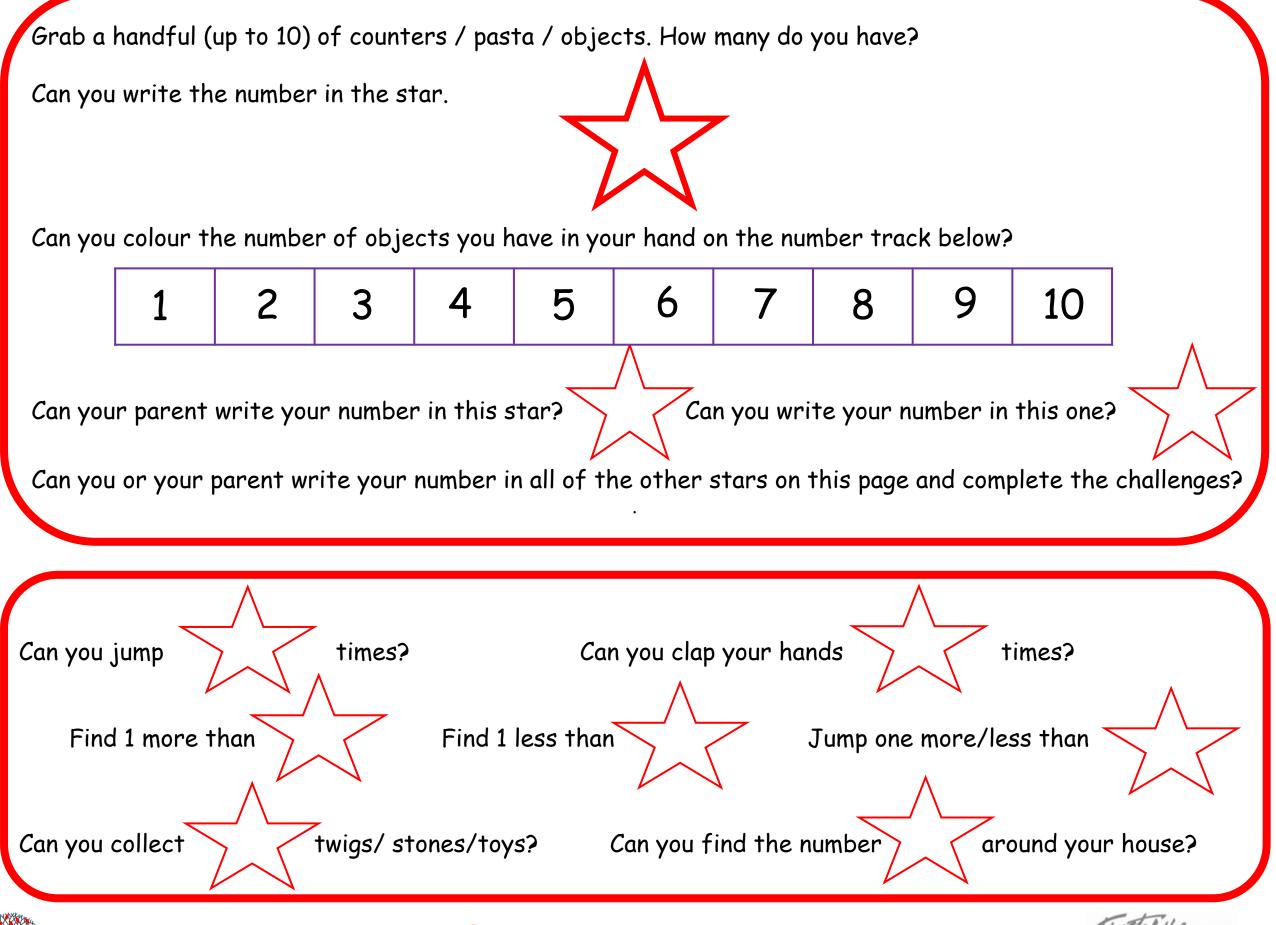
Suggested activities to do at home with your child.

- Encourage the children to count as regularly as possible e.g. whilst climbing the stairs, count toys.
   Ensure your children line to up the objects and point to each object whilst counting. Eggs boxes are also useful to help children count the objects. Put one object in each section and point as you count.
- · Count objects that can not be touched e.g. dropping coins into a tub, clapping hands, jumping.
- Roll a dice. Encourage your child to collect that amount of objects. Roll again. Can they see which group has more?
- Play number games e.g. Bunny Ears. Show me 6 fingers. Can you show me another way?
- Hide a number of small objects under a pot. Can the children count how many are under the pot?
  Hide the same objects under another container. Can they say how many there are without counting
  again? Add an object, how many now? Take an object away, how many now?
- Encourage the children to create and spot patterns. Can they make a fruit skewer using a pattern?
- We would recommend watching Numberblocks on BBC. Discuss the numbers and concepts in the story during/after the programme, see if you can use the ideas in your child's play.

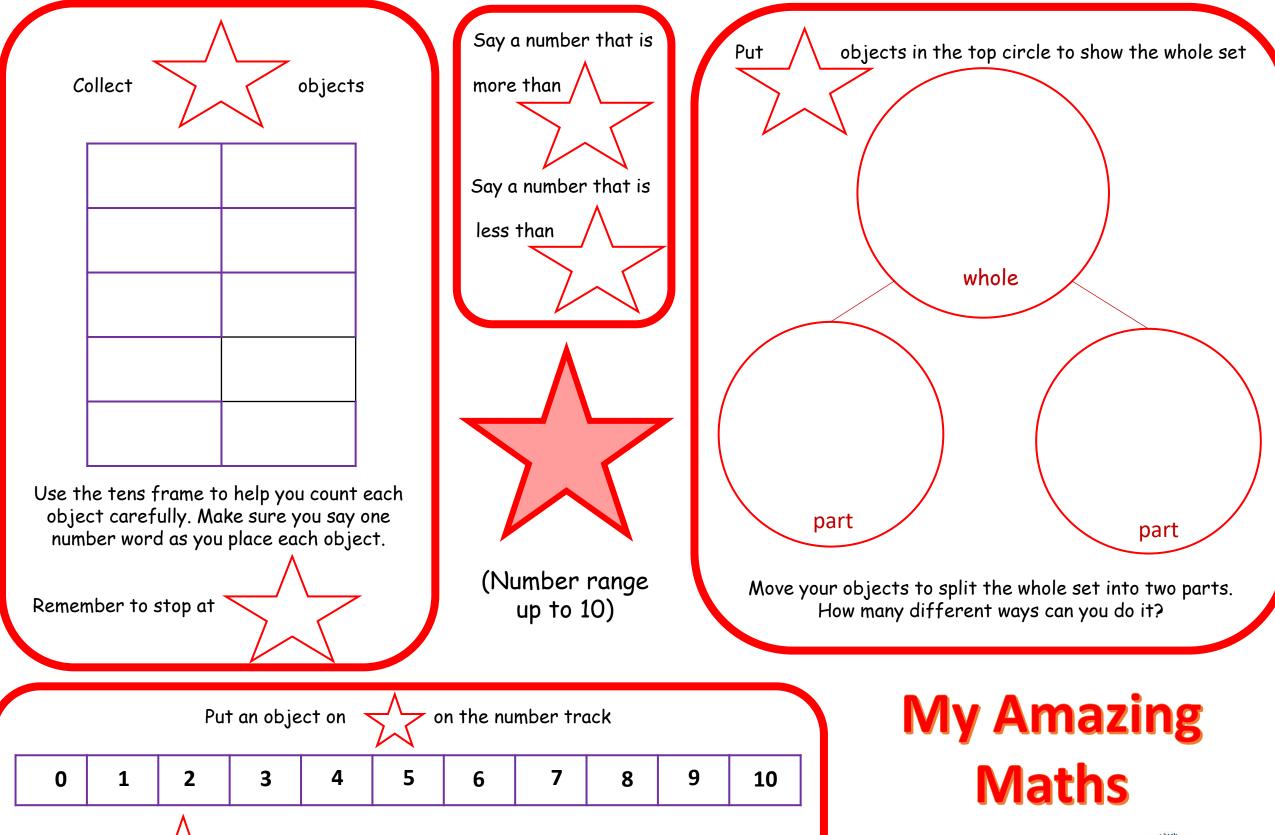
## **My Amazing Maths**











Starting at count forwards as you move your object along the number track

Starting at count backwards as you move your object along the number track

Can you count forwards and backwards from without looking at the number track?



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