

14. Lego

Writing numbers onto the lego to create towers. If you child is building with lego, they can identify the number before they add the piece of lego to their building. You can also draw dots onto the lego to mix it up from numerals.



15. Any COOKING:

Can you chop food into pieces? How many pieces have you chopped?  
Can you mash the potatoes 10 times.  
Can you stir the soup 5 times for me.



Making cakes is a great way to get children using mathematical vocabulary! Balancing and weighing ingredients, pouring the mixture, counting out the cupcake cases. How many spoonful's of mixture do we need for each cupcake?  
Timing how long the cakes need until there are ready. You can also decorate your cakes with sprinkles after and count the different objects you add onto your cakes.

16. Paint and Fairy liquid: in a zip lock bag. (Acrylic paint works well on its own... but if it manages to escape the bag, it is tricky to clean up!) Add some paint into the bag and SEAL it with some selotape (just in case the paint comes out of the seal) Use a cotton wool bud to form different numbers/shapes/ letters. For an even better experience, you can selotape the bag onto a window or glass door. The children can see their mark making more clearly as the light shines through the bag.



19. Vegetable printing: Using paint or food colouring mixed with shaving foam. You can use a variety of objects or vegetables to create different repeat patterns.



You can also use old toilet rolls to create different shapes to print. You can also cut old sponges into different shapes and selotape them to sticks or old toilet rolls.



20. If you go to the beach/in the garden, you can get a blow up beach ball and write numbers (or letters/words) onto the ball. Every time your child catches or rolls the ball they must choose a number/letter to say out loud. Can you throw and catch the ball 10 times? Which numbers did you see?



17. PLAYDOUGH!  
You can create so many extraordinary creations with playdough. e.g. Can you create a short/long snake? Can you use pasta or beads to decorate your snakes? How many beads did you put onto your snake? Whose is the longest? Whose is the shortest?  
  
You can create a 'bakery'. You can design and make playdough cupcakes. Can you add 7 candles onto the cakes? I'm feeling really hungry, please can you make me 12 'cookies'?



18. Playdough- Subtraction Smash. The children LOVED playing this game. You can use a sheet of paper to create a grid with 10 (or 20) squares. The children create balls of playdough, and then when they subtract the playdough the smash the balls of playdough. To make this activity more challenging, you can write number sentences e.g. 7-3=.... (the children make 7 balls, squish 3.... How many are left?)

