**What to do**

*IMPORTANT Parent or Carer –*

*Please check that you are happy with any weblinks or use of the internet.*

**1. Counting practice**

* + Together, count to 20.
	+ Now you are going to take turns to repeat this BUT you give each other a number they mustn’t say, e.g. Padma tells Mum she can’t say ‘six’…
	+ Mum says, ‘one, two, three, four, five, , uh-oh, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, uh-oh, seventeen…’, etc.
	+ Now Mum tells Amit he can’t say four.
	+ Play several times. Do you get good at not saying one number?

Extension

* Repeat the same activity but count from 30 to 50 not saying ‘six’, or from 70 to 90 not saying ‘five’, etc.

**2. Working together**

* Make a *Do this number of actions!* ‘fortune teller’ as outlined below.
	+ You need a square piece of paper and fat felt-tip pens. A thin pen would be good as well.
	+ You need follow the instructions below on *How to make a fortune teller*.
	+ Use this to *count* different actions, matching these to the spoken numbers.

**Try these Fun-Time Extras**

* Help someone else in your family make a fortune teller and have fun with it. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X1DArckNWdM> - *NB check this is suitable for your child – it is more grown up than the ones suggested below!*

Make a ***Do this number of actions!*** fortune teller

You need a square piece of paper, fat felt tip pens and a good pen for writing.

**How to make it**

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| * Fold your piece of paper along the diagonals.
* Press down so the creases are sharp.
* Open up the paper and then fold each corner into the middle.
* All four corners are now in the centre and you have a smaller square.
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| * Turn the smaller square over so the folds are underneath
* Repeat the above process, folding all the corners in to the centre.
* You should now have an even smaller square.
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| * Turn the square over so the folds are underneath
* Fold the square in half and press the fold down so it is a sharp crease.
* Fold the square in half the other way, and press the fold down.
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| * You should now have a fortune teller.
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Instructions continued

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| * Place it flat on the table.
* Write numbers on the squares.
* Turn it over and colour the triangles.
* Each one should be a different colour.
* Now lift each triangle and write an action underneath it. Each one should have a different action.
* See suggested actions below…
* Fold it all back as it was, insert your thumbs and ask someone to choose a number.
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| **Suggested Actions** Jump 3 times Clap your hands 5 times Do 4 bunny hops Do 6 wing flaps Stick out your tongue Wiggle your fingers Take 8 steps on tiptoe Do a head-over-heels Hop 3 times  Say your name backwards Write your name backwards *Some sites which tell you how to use these are suggested below.* *NB theirs are slightly different as they are used to ‘tell fortunes’.* *Ours is just use to suggest actions which we can count!* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A42wubu8pJA><https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BxyXk1sr2io> |