**What to do**

*IMPORTANT Parent or Carer –*

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

**1. Counting practice**

* + Take a tea-towel and some coins. These must be identical but it doesn’t matter what denomination they are. You need ten.
  + Lay out the coins on a table.
  + Ask your child to sit facing away from you and the coins.
  + Cover some of the coins.
  + The child turns round and counts the coins they can see.
  + Their aim is to tell you how many are under the tea-towel.
  + Repeat several times. Can they be correct three times in a row?

Make it easier or harder…

* Use only six coins to make this easier.
* Spread the coins out to make it harder!

**2. Working together**

* Do the activity on *Towering Differences*
  + You need Lego™, Duplo™ or other small bricks. Also, paper and pens each.
  + Follow the instructions on *Towering Differences* below.

**Try these Fun-Time Extras**

* Have a look at these fourteen famous towers. How different are they? Which ones do you like best? Which would you like to visit one day?

<https://www.touropia.com/famous-towers-in-the-world/>

Towering Differences

*Instructions*

You need: Lego™, Duplo™ or other small bricks, paper and pens.

**What to do**

* Take 12 bricks each.
* Find a person to work with.
* Each choose a number of bricks between 0 and 12 and make a tower.
* How many bricks in the shorter tower?



* How many bricks in the taller tower?
* Both write a number sentence like this one.

6 + = 8

* Put your towers together.
* How much taller is the taller tower?
* How much shorter is the shorter tower?
* Decide together what number should be

written in the empty box.

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* Both write the difference in the empty box to complete your own number sentence.
* Now start again and build another tower each. Work out the difference in heights and write a matching number sentence.
* Repeat this until you have written at least seven sentences!