

# **Counting Book**

## Purpose:

You can help your children learn to read and write the numbers from one to ten.

## What you need:

- Newspaper, junk mail or old magazines
- Scissors
- Glue
- Plain paper (A4 copy paper or a writing pad)
- Pens

#### What to do:

This is a great way to use all the junk mail, old magazines and newspapers. Use the paper to make a simple booklet.

Make a counting book with ten pages.

Put one thing on page one, two things on page two and so on. Make all the things on each page the same, for example "1 boat, 2 cars, 3 people, 4 trees."

As you look through the newspaper together encourage your child to find and read numbers.

That's right, that's a number. What's the name of that one? Can we find any more sevens?" Write the number of items on each page into the book. Help your child to practice writing the number on the page as well. Write the number in lots of different colours for lots of practice. Write the number in English and in other languages.

## What to expect your child to do:

- Know the numbers from one to ten that they find.
- Write the numbers from one to ten.

#### He Kupu Māori

How many?	E hia?
one	tahi
two	rua
three	toru
four	whā
five	rima
six	ono
seven	whitu
eight	waru
nine	iwa
ten	tekau

#### He Whakawhitinga Korero:

- E hia ngā [manu]? (How many [birds] are there?)
- Tatauria ngā [manu]. (Count the [birds].)
- Ko te aha tēnei tau? (What is this number?)
- Ka pai, ko te [rima] tēnei. E rima ngā [manu]. (That's good, this is five. There are five [birds].)