

Skip Counting

Purpose:

You can help your child learn to count in twos, fives and tens.

What to do:

- Rote count in twos, fives and tens with your child. You can do this anytime: as you drive in the car, walk to school or wait for the movie to start.
2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12...
5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30...
10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60...
- Start your counting in different places
15, 17, 19, 21, 23...
33, 43, 53, 63...
- Count forwards and backwards
60, 50, 40, 30...
32, 30, 28, 26, 24...

There are lots of opportunities to practice counting in twos, fives and tens. These include:

- Look at the numbers on letter boxes as you walk.
What number will be on the next letter box you pass?
What about the one after that?
- Counting money to help develop counting in tens.
- Count the fingers in your family in fives.
- Count the eyes in your family using twos.

What to expect your child to do:

- Start from any number in the counting sequence
- Count forwards or backwards

He Kupu Māori

skip count	tatau māwhitiwhiti
skip count in two's	tatau mawhiti-rua
skip count in five's	tatau mawhiti-rima
skip count in ten's	tatau mawhiti-tekau

He Kōrero Māori

- Tēnā, tatau mawhiti-rua. Timata i te rua. (*Count in two's. Start at two.*)
- Tatau mawhiti-rima. Timata i te rua tekau. (*Count in five's. Start at twenty.*)
- Tatau mawhiti-rima whakamuri. Timata i te ono tekau. (*Count backward in fives. Start at 60.*)
- He aha te tau o tēnei pouaka reta? (*What is the number on this letter box?*)
- He aha te tau e whai mai ana i tērā pouaka reta? (*What is the number following on that letter box?*)
- Tatauria ngā matimati katoa o ngā tāngata i tō tātou whānau. Tatau mawhiti-rima. (*Count the number of fingers of the people in our whānau. Count in fives.*)
- Tatauria ngā karu katoa o ngā tāngata i tō tātou whānau. Tatau mawhiti-rua. (*Count the number of eyes of the people in our whānau. Count in two's.*)