



Bookbug Session template – Maths Week

Template		Resource	Notes
Introduction	<p>Welcome families and explain what happens in a Bookbug Session.</p> <p>Let them know this will be a special session for Maths Week and will involve songs and rhymes with elements such as counting, size, and shape – all of these things helps children to develop early maths skills and numeracy.</p> <p>Remind parents this is a time to have fun together, and join in as best they can with their child.</p>		
Hello Song	Hello Everyone		<p>Clap or tap along to the beat</p> <p>Encourage interaction between parent/carer and child throughout the session.</p>
Songs and Rhymes - counting	<p>One, Two, Three, Four Five</p> <p>Five Fat Peas</p> <p>Ten Red Apples</p>		<p>Include lots of repetition to help families join in. This gives children the chance to practise counting too.</p> <p>Use your fingers in these songs and rhymes to count and show numbers.</p>
Songs or rhymes with movement	<p>Five Little Ducks</p> <p>Three Little Speckled Frogs</p> <p>One Little Teddy</p>	Lycra Puppets	<p>Bounce puppets on Lycra. When doing songs that count down from 5 to 1, count each remaining puppet after one has fallen off and then reinforce this by showing the appropriate number of fingers. Encourage parents and older children to do this with you.</p> <p>Include songs that count up from 1 as well e.g. One Little Teddy</p>
Action songs or rhymes	<p>A Big Red Bus</p> <p>One Potato, Two Potato</p> <p>Three Little Men in a Flying Saucer</p>		<p>Use actions to emphasis the size of the vehicles in A Big Red Bus – big and small.</p> <p>Try varying the vegetable when you repeat</p> <p>Start counting songs and rhymes by asking everyone to show you the number of fingers they need for the song or rhyme</p>



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Book	<i>The Very Hungry Caterpillar</i> by Eric Carle <i>One Mole Digging a Hole</i> by Julia Donaldson <i>One to Ten and Back Again</i> by Nick Sharratt and Sue Heap <i>How Many Legs?</i> by Kes Gray	Book	We've included a range of book suggestions which include elements of counting or numbers. Look for the 'Books About Numbers' booklist on our website: scottishbooktrust.com/book-lists
Finger songs and rhymes	Tommy Thumb Five Currant Buns; Two Little Dickybirds		Repeat each song or rhyme a few times. Encourage parents with babies and young toddlers to do the actions themselves so their little one can see, before repeating the actions on their child's hands and fingers.
Calming Song	Twinkle Twinkle Little Star	Bonding	Encourage cuddling, sing quieter and quieter then hum.
Goodbye Song	Goodbye Everyone		Thank families for coming; encourage them to borrow a book. Try making a themed book display with counting books and other books that include elements of maths.