Supporting Numeracy at Home – Early Level



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- Learning doesn't just take place in the classroom, it can happen anywhere.
- A child or young person's everyday routine offers many opportunities and experiences to practise and apply their numeracy skills in real and meaningful ways.
- There are many ways that you can build learning activities into everyday routines to support
 your child's numeracy skills. The link below will give you access to related Education
 Scotland resources and links to help you support your child's learning with fun activities to
 do at home.

Education Scotland Supporting Numeracy at Home

Below are some simple ideas to build numeracy skills into everyday activities:

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- Look out for all numbers you see around the house.
- Count how many steps there are from the gate to the front door or around the garden and talk about the differences in the size of your steps.
- As you tidy up, encourage your child to arrange toys and books in order of size.
- Count how many things are in the fridge or the cupboard.
- Count how many star jumps or hops you and others in your household can do.
- Investigate different coins and talk about their value.
- Play board games which need the use of dice e.g. ludo or snakes and ladders.
- Point out the time on the clock, particularly at breakfast, dinner or bedtime.

Glossary:

This glossary has been developed for parents and carers of children and young people in the broad general education in Scottish schools. It defines some of the commonly used terms used across the different organisers in numeracy and mathematics.

ParentZone Glossary of Numeracy Terms

Education Scotland Glossary (various organisers)

Support for parents on numeracy and mathematics methods and approaches:

This page has links to eight videos which can help you to support your child's learning of numeracy and mathematics. The videos outline a range of methods and approaches. They cover the following topics:

- early numeracy foundations
- addition and subtraction
- multiplication and division
- fractions, decimals and percentages
- algebra and problem solving

Education Support Videos for Parents