

COUNTING CATERPILLAR

How many things can you think of?

HOW TO PLAY

- Print out the pages onto card or firm paper and cut out as required
- Choose a category card and see how many things you and your child can think of that fit the theme.
- H is not necessary to reach all the way to 10, but rather just to see what number you can get to.
- Offer help to your child whenever it is needed with reminders and clues.
- Place a counter of your own choice (or cut out and match a numeral card) underneath the counting caterpillar to record how many things you can think of.
- ullet Placing a small treat over the number is also a fun way to play.

Make up your own category cards to suit your child's kn and interests.

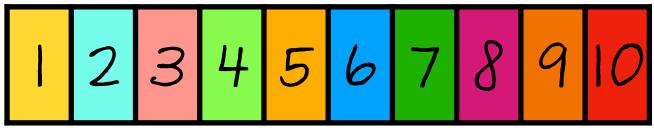
WALKING AND TALKING

- Rlay this game while you are out on a walk
- * Ask your child to keep count on their fingers
- * See if your child can think of a challenge for you to do 12345

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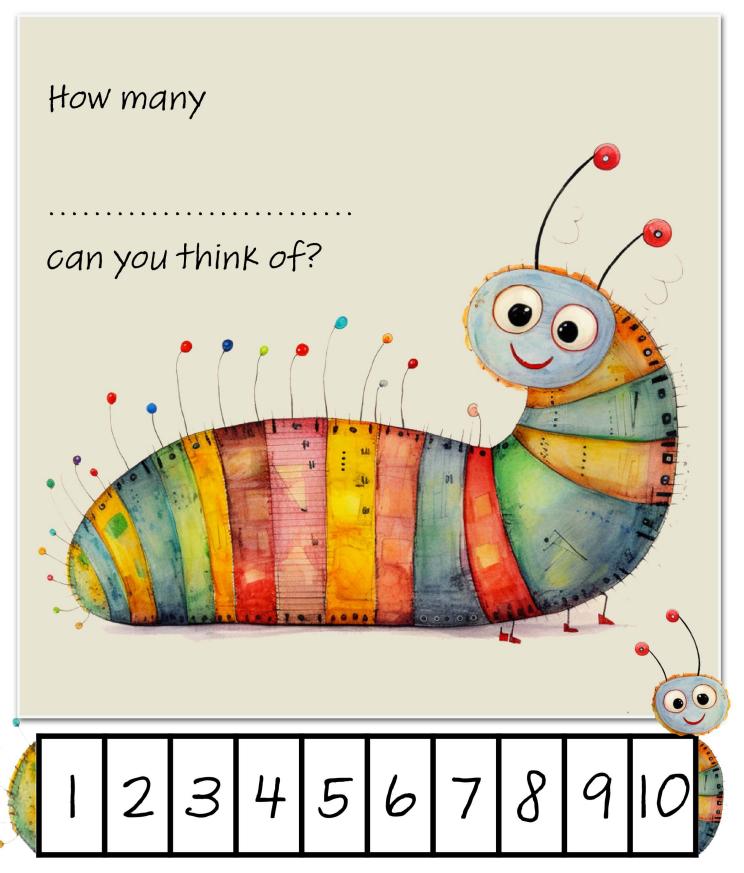
This game can help to strengthen your child's focus and attention, extend their vocabulary and general knowledge, exercise memory and recall and also build simple numeracy skills.

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CATEGORY CARDS TO CUT OUT

farm animals	people we love
names of different fruit	things in the playground
people who help us	things we can wear
names of different vegetables	things that make us feel happy
things that go fast	different spooky or scary things
things that go slow	different feelings (emotions)
TV programmes	favourite cuddly toys
favourite books	different places we visit
friends	things we find in the kitchen
different drinks	things we find in the bathroom
round things	different sorts of weather
square things	different super powers
things with wheels	things to do in the morning
things you see in the sky	things to do for a birthday
things you find in the sea	things to do at nursery/school
different dinosaurs	things to do at bed time
different zoo animals	different songs we like
names in our family	different names of colours
different things that are cold	different musical instruments
different things that are hot	different games we play