

Number Matching 2-3 years

You will need:

- 10 wooden spring clothes pegs numbered 1-10 (you could use a marker or felt tip pen)
- 10 pieces of card numbered 1-10

The Activity:

- Encourage your child to select a peg and say the number name.
- Ask your child to find the matching number on the cards and pop the peg on.
- You could hide the number cards around the room so that your child must find them first.

How this supports knowledge and development:

This activity helps your child learn and recognise numbers and their names up to 10. Hunting for the numbers and selecting the correct one helps with attention and concentration.

Hand eye co-ordination and fine motor skills are supported by attaching the cards to the pegs, these are skills that will help with mark making and early writing.

EXTEND THE ACTIVITY

- Drawing the number of objects on the card will help with counting, or
- ask your child to find the correct number of items around the house, for e.g. bring two teddy bears

Keeping Everyone Safe

Supervision with clothes pegs due to small parts such as springs



**Enrich vocabulary development
with related words and phrases:**

More	Add
Less	Subtract
Most	How many?
Least	One, Two, Three...



TOP TIP

You could adapt the activity on a larger scale outdoors, using chalk numbers on the ground and finding items in the garden, such as leaves and twigs

Notes:

Make your own number wheel or cut out this one and match the pegs to the correct number of bugs on each orange segment.

