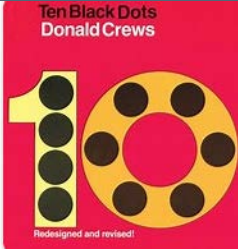


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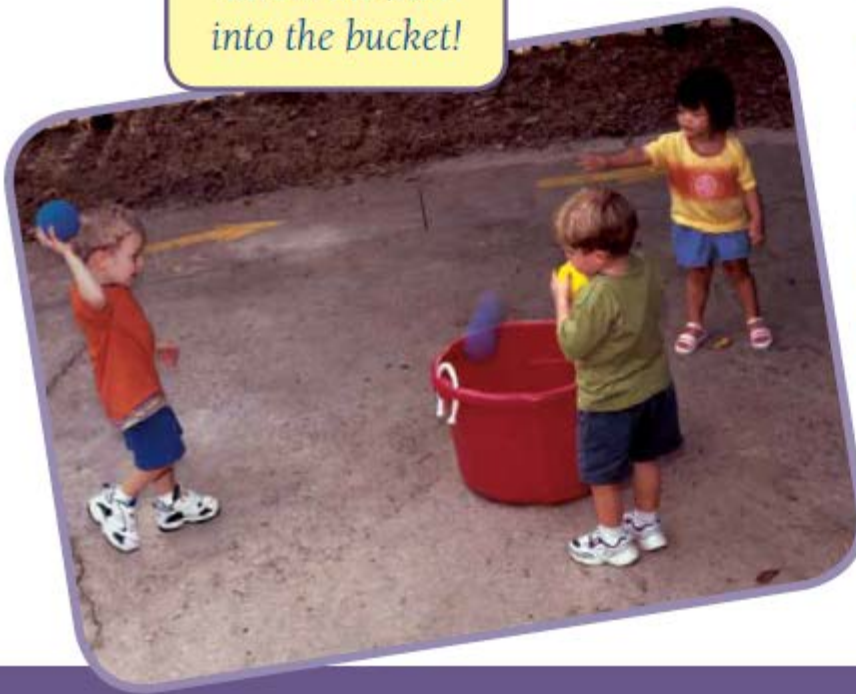
OVERVIEW:

Young children build school readiness skills through meaningful everyday play and authentic experiences. Use this activity guide for fun summer learning.

BOOK	Ten Black Dots https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uPJEqUB2CxA	 The image shows the cover of the book 'Ten Black Dots' by Donald Crews. It features a large yellow number '10' on a red background. The '1' has three black dots, and the '0' has seven black dots. The text 'Ten Black Dots' and 'Donald Crews' is at the top, and 'Redesigned and revised!' is at the bottom.
SONG	10 Little Dinosaurs https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TjmGTbNLj6Q	
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SOCIAL EMOTIONAL SUPPORT	Clearly State Your Expectations in Advance: Some undesirable behavior occurs because your child can't act differently, other times it occurs because your child simply doesn't want to act differently. Either way it helps for you to remember that your child cannot read your mind. Be sure to give your child one clear instruction so that he knows what it is that you want him to do. www.cainclusion.org	

Ball in the Bucket

*Wow! You
threw the ball
into the bucket!*



With your child, practice throwing a ball into a bucket. Increase the throwing distance as his skills improve.

Gradually, your child will gain more control in throwing.

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Why this is important

By this age, children are well aware that throwing is usually done with a purpose, as in basketball or other sports. Throwing a ball at a large target helps your child learn to control and direct his own body movements. He must control his body in order to perform this or other specific actions.

What you do

- Provide a container such as a box, basket, tub, or bucket, a ball for your child, and a ball for yourself.
- Invite your child to stand with you a few feet away from the bucket.
- Throw your ball into the bucket as your child does the same. *Watch me throw the ball. Can you do it, too?*
- Move the bucket closer to him if he misses, and encourage him to try again.
- Describe his accuracy when appropriate: *You're getting it right where you want it!*
- Change the game by adding water to the bucket.

Let's read together!

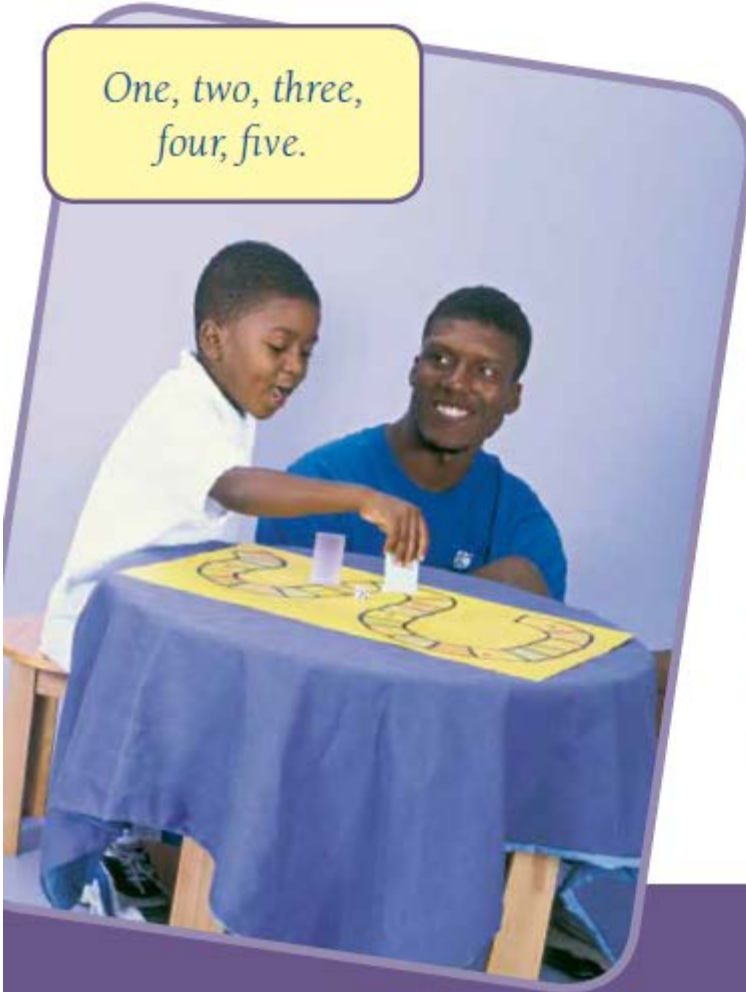
The Story of Red Rubber Ball
by Constance Kling Levy

Ready to move on?

You can increase the difficulty by moving the bucket farther away or finding a container with a smaller opening.

Move Up Five

*One, two, three,
four, five.*



Create an easy board game that lets your child move a marker as he counts from one to five.

Your child will remember and understand these basic numbers if he has a lot of enjoyable practice using them.

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Why this is important

Your child may already know how to count to five, but he may not understand that each number from one to five stands for a definite quantity. He will practice using the words for numbers up to five as he verbally and physically counts out five spaces on the game board. Numbers are used every day by your child, and he will continue to practice counting skills as he grows older.

What you do

- Make five cards that either have one, two, three, four, or five dots on them. Make the dots large enough for your child to point to and count them.
- Find or make a simple path game board with spaces large enough for a game marker to touch each square as your child advances the piece.
- Invite your child to join you in a counting game. Using your path game board and cards with dots to determine the count, the two of you will take turns moving your markers. Explain the game to him: *We'll take turns choosing a card. The dots on the card will tell us how many spaces to move our marker.*
- Practice choosing a card and counting the dots.
- Encourage your child to move the marker in a hopping motion as you play so that each space can be counted as it is touched.
- Emphasize differences in numbers by saying: *Five! That's a lot. Or, Two is a quick hop.*
- Stop the game when your child's interest ends, which may be before the game is over.

Let's read together!

Rooster's Off to See the World
by Eric Carle

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Another idea

Throughout your day together, invite your child to count out five objects when he sees them.