Feed the Monkeys

Introducing the activity

Discuss the way monkeys like to eat bananas. Pretend you are a zoo keeper. Each monkey likes to eat a specific number of bananas each day.

Outcomes

Compares and orders sets of objects using one-to-one correspondence.

Represents numerals using objects or drawings.

Counts collections up to nine.

Identifies more or less than a given number.

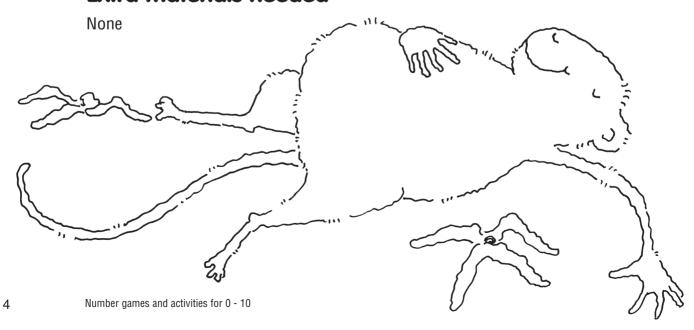
Demonstrates understanding of simple addition.

Counts on mentally to add small numbers.

How to make the game

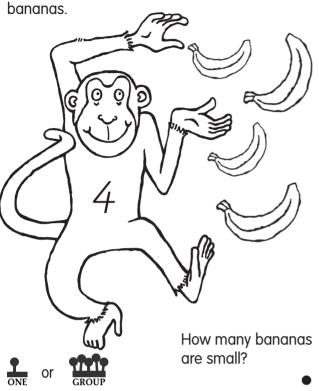
- ◆ Make one copy of all the monkeys numbered 1 10 so that you have 10 monkeys. Colour each one, laminate and cut into individual monkeys.
- ◆ Make four copies of the bananas onto yellow paper (or copy and colour the bananas). Laminate and then cut out each banana.
- ♦ Copy, laminate and cut out the four activity cards.
- ◆ Place all the equipment into a storage container and label clearly. Use the label provided on page 72.

Extra materials needed



Feed a monkey

Pick a monkey. Look at the number. Feed the monkey the matching number of



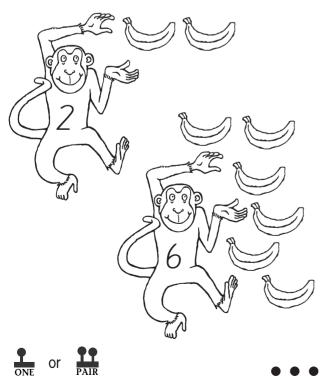
Feed all the monkeys

Feed all the monkeys the matching number of bananas. Then turn each monkey over.
Guess the monkey's number by looking at



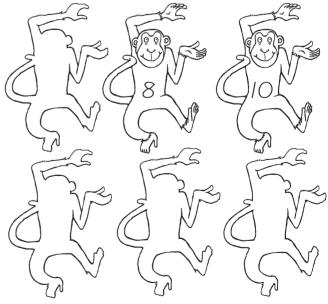
Feed two monkeys

Take two monkeys. Match the bananas. How many bananas altogether? Guess first, then check.



Bigger and smaller

Turn all the monkeys face down. Pick two monkeys. Which number is bigger?



Pick one monkey. What is the next number? What is the number before? How do you know?



