Mathematical moments with 4- and 5-year-olds

Number and Measures (time): counting and recognising ordinal numbers on a calendar



Joshua and Beth were looking at the teacher's calendar. Debbie (the LSA) wondered how many days were left until Christmas. Joshua knew it was the 13th today, so Debbie suggested he circle it, which he did. She then circled the 25th explaining that would be Christmas Day.

Beth commented they could count the numbers between, so they did. Debbie suggested they could count down the days each day. Joshua wrote "12 days until Christmas" on the board.

Each day the children crossed off the days and wrote the number of days left, on the board.



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