

Mathematical moments with 3, 4 & 5 year olds

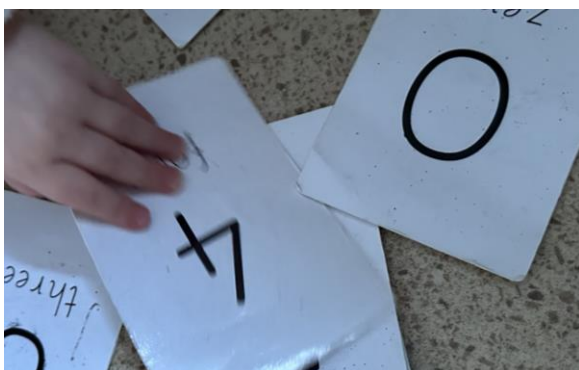
Number: counting and comparing

Story vote station

We have a story vote station set up in the playroom. When the children arrive it's part of the routine to take a token and vote for the story that they would like to listen to during snack time.



When it is story time a child will count the tokens in each pot then match the correct numeral card to the pot. We talk about which story is the winner and why? The towers of tokens in the pots allow them to see, for instance, that 4 is more than 2.



This is a great daily routine which promotes counting, subitising and making comparisons, as well as matching numbers to quantity.



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