

Sandpaper Numbers

Purpose: To help a child associate the names of numbers 1-10 with their numeric symbols.

Directions: For this activity the child will take the Sandpaper Numbers off the math shelf and carry the box to the table using both hands. The child will remove the 1-card from the box and slowly trace the number with two primary fingers on their dominant hand from start to finish. The child will then name the number. They will trace and name each card three times before moving onto the next number. Once the child has been through all of the numbers they will then begin the recognition phase. A teacher will sit with the child and ask them to point to a certain number and the child will find the correct number, trace it and name it. When the child is finished working with the Sandpaper Numbers they can return the material to the math shelf and will be free to work with the Sandpaper Numbers.

Extensions:

"Please Bring Me" Game

The child will lay all the numbers on a mat and the teacher will ask the child to bring them a specific number. The teacher can also mix up the numbers on the mat to make it more difficult.

Putting the Sandpaper Numbers in Sequence

The child can place the cards into order on a mat.



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