

Counts by numbers other than 1 not only help counting efficiency but help children develop number patterns which are beneficial in later grades.



Counting by 2s.

Look for things around the house that come in pairs (socks, shoes, mittens, and boots, for example). You can count the pairs by 2s.



Counting by 5s.

Count the fingers in your family. Count by 5s. How about toes?

Begin a nickel collection. Keep adding to it. Once in a while count how much money is in your nickel collection. Count by 5s.

