

## Find the Numbers

☆ KEY FOCUS  
Maths

### What you need:

- ▶ Natural objects threaded onto string representing numbers up to ten, for example, three fir cones, five conkers

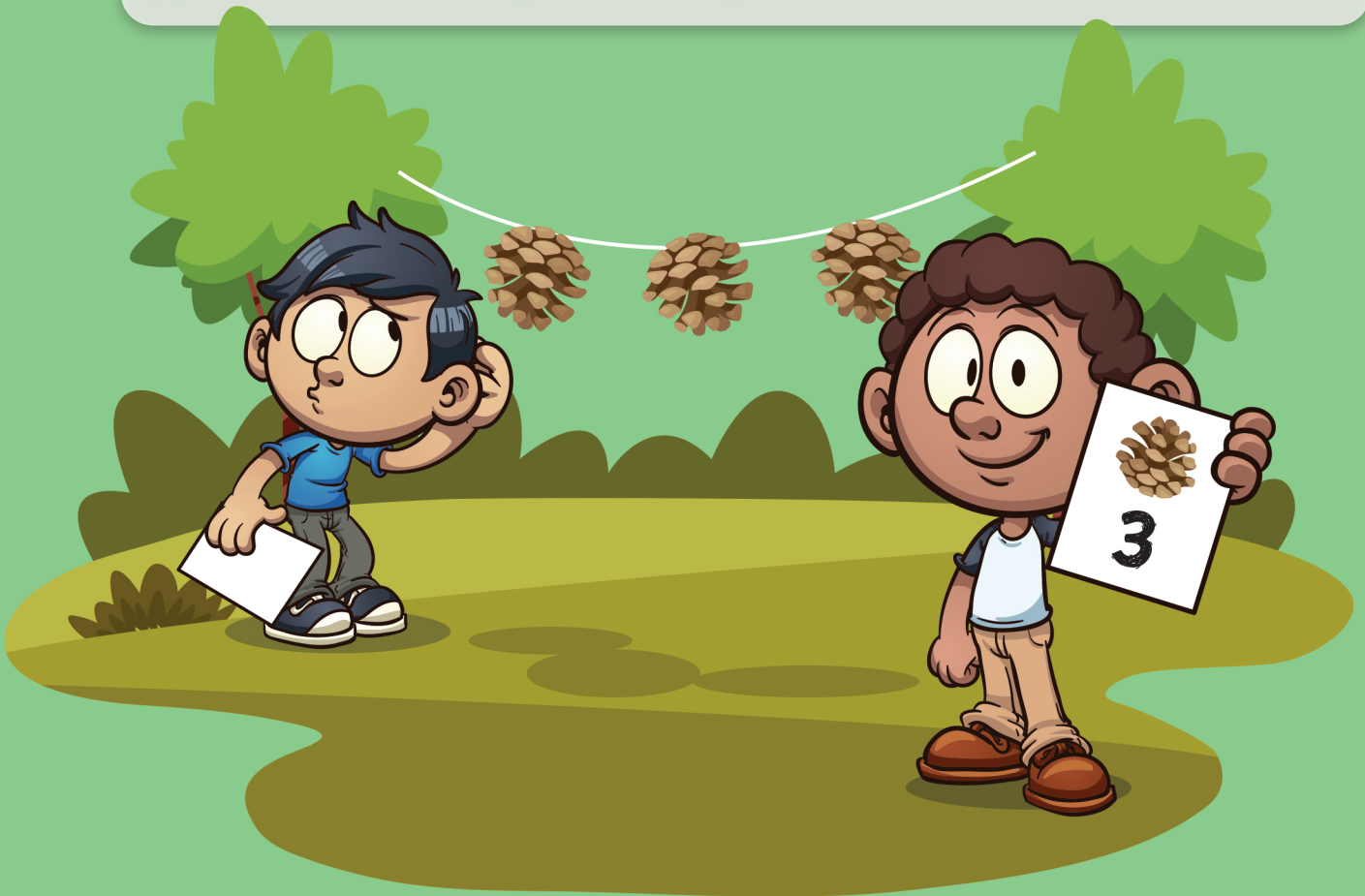
- ▶ Paper
- ▶ Clipboards
- ▶ Pencils

Where Can I Play:  
**Outdoors**

## Let's Play



Hang the string number lines around the area. Ask the children to look for them and draw on their paper each number and the objects on the string.



## Top Tips



- Encourage children to make their own number lines.
- Use different objects depending on the seasons. Take photographs and encourage children to talk about what they see.

## Questions



- How many conkers do we have?
- How many leaves?
- Where did you find the number line for 6?



## Why is this important?

Children need to be able to count sets of objects in many different situations.

### Prime Areas of Learning

- C&L** Teach the children some counting rhymes and songs.
- PSE** Encourage children to talk to each other about where the number lines are.
- PD** Hide the number lines in places where children need to climb or crawl to find them.

### Specific Areas of Learning

- Lit** Encourage children to mark make to record the numbers.
- EA&D** Use the natural materials to create a collage.
- U&W** Vary the natural objects used depending on the seasons. Take photographs of the different objects and how they are around in different seasons.



### Vocabulary

Count, number, numeral, how many, more than, fewer than

### Story Links



How Many Legs by Field & Gray  
Ten Black Dots by Donald Crews