



Power up for Kindergarten!



Core 4 Skill



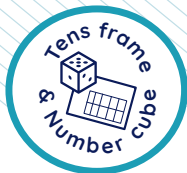
Counting and measuring

Early math helps children look for patterns and build counting skills. Shapes, counting and having number sense are key for later, more complex math skills. This Play Kit emphasizes measuring, counting and all things math!

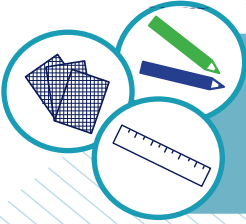
What's in this Play Kit?

Over the next three months, your kiddo can build math skills like counting, measuring and so much more! Each month we will highlight ways you can use these tools to support your child in learning these critical Kindergarten Readiness skills through play by connecting them to the Book-of-the-Month!

Ready to get started? See the other side of this card for more information!



Activities

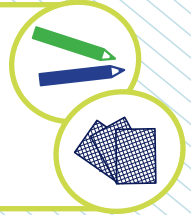


Invite your child to use these materials to explore drawing straight lines or tracing the lines on the graph paper. Not only does drawing with a ruler help draw straight lines, but it can also help build coordination since it requires using two hands!

Say: *How can you draw a rectangle with this ruler?*

Encourage your child to use the different colored pencils to color in the squares. See if they can make additional shapes using the lines on the paper or color in the squares with different colors to make a pattern. Remember - patterns can be more than just two colors repeated!

Say: *What patterns can you make? What colors will you use?*



Counting to ten and seeing "10" in your head is an important Kindergarten Readiness skill! This "tens frame" helps your child see what 10 looks like and can build the skill of one-to-one correspondence. Make up a game with your child using a number cube to find a way to *make 10!*

Say: *What are the ways we can make 10? How about 6 and 4?*

Sorting and making patterns helps kiddos see different parts of the same thing. These buttons can be sorted by color OR shape! Help your kiddo sort the buttons or encourage them to make patterns too.

Say: *How can you sort these buttons? Can you sort them another way?*



Just like with the ruler, the tape measure is a great tool for seeing how numbers work (starting with 0 and moving up higher!) and building coordination as well. Ask your child to find things in the Play Kit they can measure and see what else they are inspired to measure too!

Say: *What do you think is bigger? The box or the paper? How do you know?*

Need more play ideas? Keep an eye on our social media pages for ways to bring the books - and the things in this box - to life!