## My Jellyfish

Ages 4 to 5 (Level 0)

| Description: | Learner will design his/her Jellyfish to grasp the concept of <br> counting and writing numbers 1 to 10. |
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| Leading question: | Can you count the number of legs your Jellyfish has? |
| Age group: | 4-5 (any children who cannot write or read numbers) |
| Subjects: | Math, Art |
| Total time required: | 6 days (1.25 hours per day) |
| Self-guided / Supervised <br> activity: | Medium supervision by parents or older siblings |
| Resources required: | Papers, tracing papers or any blank paper, pencil, colors, thread, <br> glue, scissors, ruler, any objects for counting (stones, sticks, <br> leaves), sand, rectangular container, clay, cardboard, circular <br> object |


| Day | Time | Activity and Description |
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| 1 | 10 minutes | Learners will understand the importance of numbers in their daily life and learn to write and read numbers (1-2) and also count objects using these numbers. <br> Introduction: <br> Experiment: Can you count any number of objects of which there are 1 or 2 ? <br> The purpose of this activity is to instill the importance of numbers and counting in our daily life by asking a few questions related to their daily lives. <br> - How many family members do you have? <br> - How many windows do you have in your house? <br> - How many sweets or slices of pizza can you eat? <br> - How many toys do you want? <br> Looking at the body parts on your head, what parts do you only find one of? What body parts do you find two of? Encourage the learner to critically think about the different body parts they have on their head. They can look at a photo of their own head or work with one of the other family members for this experiment. <br> Answer options: |



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Or trace it in the air. Also ask the learner to use his/her fingers to count.


Learners will now explore using objects to represent the numbers 1 and 2 .

- Ask the learner to find and collect 3-5 different items of which $s /$ he has 1 object e.g. 1 book, 1 doll, 1 spoon, 1 pencil, 1 water bottle.
- Ask the learner to find and collect 3-5 different items of which s/he has 2 objects e.g. 2 bowls, 2 towels, 2 plastic bags, 2 pieces of paper, 2 stones.

Learners can make their counting chart for the number 1. They will draw the object and write the number 1 in a circle next to it. E.g. draw a book and write the number 1 next to it to practice counting, etc.

Make a similar counting chart for the number 2. Draw the object and write the number 2 in a circle next to it. E.g. draw 2 bowls and write the number 2 next to it to practice counting, etc.

With the help of an adult, learners will cut 10 equal thin paper strips of approximately 30 cm length and 1 cm width. Each day, the learner will use two of those paper strips to create their jellyfish.

The learner will count and then color the first paper strip and on the bottom of the strip, the learner will write number one and on the top of it draw a circle.

The learner will count and then color a second paper strip and on the bottom of the strip, the learner will write number 2 and on top of it draw 2 circles vertically along the strip.

- Learners can choose the color for their jellyfish and/or they can use recycled colored paper/plastic.




| 3 | 10 <br> minutes <br> 30 <br> minutes <br> 30 <br> minutes | Today, learners will be able to write numbers 5 \& 6 and count objects using those numbers. <br> Introduction: <br> - Ask learners to count from 1 to 4. <br> - Ask the learner to practice writing numbers 1-4 twice each. <br> - Using some stones/straws/bottle tops or any other object,, ask the learner to take the numbers they wrote and place next to them the number of stones that is equal to the number. E.g. next to number 3, learners will place 3 stones. <br> - Literacy extension: Once the learner has placed the stones next to the number, have them write simple sentences about them e.g., I have 3 stones, there are 4 stones etc. For learners who do not know how to write sentences, the parent/adult could create the sentence for them with a space for where to fill in the appropriate number e.g. I have $\qquad$ stones, there are $\qquad$ stones etc. and then support the learners to read through these sentences. <br> Introduce, write and count the numbers 5 and 6. <br> - To write the number 5, draw a short line down, then a tummy/curve. Then on top of the first line, draw a short line across like a hat. <br> - Learners should practice writing the number 5 ( 10 times) then practice tracing the number 5 in a container or dish filled with sugar, salt or sand or soil or in the air. Learners can also use Play Doh, clay or mud to create the number 5 as shown below. Learners can practice using their fingers to count. <br> - To write the number 6, the learner needs to know that there are two curves: one forward and one backward. First start with the forward curve and without lifting the pencil, draw a smaller backwards curve until it joins the forward curve. <br> - Ask the learners to practice writing the number 6 the same way they practiced the number 5 (trace dotted lines, writing it 10 times, using sugar, salt or sand or soil to trace. They can also use clay or mud to create number 6). <br> - They will then count and put five stones next to the sheet where they practiced number 5 and do the same for number 6 . <br> Learners can trace the numbers 5 and 6 on dotted lines in the appendix (Day 3 |
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|  | 10 <br> minutes <br> 15 <br> minutes <br> 15 <br> minutes | worksheet), or parents/family members can draw the dotted lines for the numbers 5 and 6 and learners can trace them. <br> - Learners will trace the number 5 on paper 10 times. <br> - Learners will trace the number 6 on paper 10 times <br> If the learners have no paper, they can put salt, sugar, sand or soil in a rectangular bowl or they could write the numbers in the air. <br> Literacy extension: Introduce how to write the numbers 5 and 6 in words <br> Tips: learners may need more time to master writing numbers in words in addition to the activities listed above. Parents/teachers can help learners practice writing by writing the names in dotted lines for them to trace the words. You can introduce one or two words per day to manage the workload. <br> Use two more of the paper strips that were prepared on Day 1. <br> - Ask the learners to color one strip and on the bottom, write number 5 and at the top, draw 5 circles vertically along the strip. <br> - Color another paper strip and on the bottom, write number 6 and at the top, draw 6 circles along the strip. <br> - Ask the learner to keep those two strips with the two strips from Day 1 to make the jellyfish <br> Critique and revision: <br> Learners present all of the day's work to their parents or family members for feedback and suggestions for improvement. The parents or family members provide feedback using the following format: <br> - Praise: What did you like about the learner's work? <br> - Question: Do you have any questions or clarifications about the work? <br> - Suggestions: In what areas does the learner need to improve their work? |
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| 4 | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline 15 \\ \text { minutes } \end{array}$ | Today, learners will be able to write numbers 7 and 8 and count objects using those numbers. <br> Introduction: <br> - Ask the learners to count from 1-6. |



|  | 15 minutes | - Ask the learners to color one strip and on the bottom, write number 7 and at the top, draw 7 circles vertically along the strip. <br> - Color another paper strip and on the bottom, write number 8 and at the top, draw 8 circles along the strip. <br> - Ask the learner to keep those two strips with the two strips from Day 1 to make the jellyfish <br> Critique and revision: <br> Learners present all of the day's work to their parents or family members for feedback and suggestions for improvement. The parents or family members provide feedback using the following format: <br> - Praise: What did you like about the learner's work done? <br> - Question: Do you have any questions or clarifications about the work? <br> - Suggestions: In what areas does the learner need to improve their work? |
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| 5 | 15 <br> minutes <br> 20 <br> minutes <br> 30 <br> minutes | Today, learners will be able to write and count objects using the numbers 9 and 10. <br> Introduction: <br> - Ask learners to count from 1-8. <br> - Ask the learner to practice writing numbers 1-8 twice each. <br> - Using some stones/straws/bottle tops or any other object, as the learner to take the numbers they wrote and place next to the number of stones that is equal to the number. E.g. next to number 3 , learners will place 3 stones. <br> Introduce writing and counting the numbers 9 and 10. <br> - To write the number 9, first draw a circle (which can be called the "head") and then draw a "leg" down or a vertical line down from the bottom right part of the circle. <br> - Learners should practice writing the number 9 (10 times) then practice tracing the number 9 in a container or dish filled with sugar, salt or sand or in the air. Learners can also use clay to create the number 9. Learners can practice using their fingers to count. <br> - To write the number 10, first write number 1 and next to it draw a circle or an egg which is the 0 . <br> - Learners should practice writing the number 10 (10 times) then practice tracing the number 10 in a container or dish filled with sugar, salt or sand or in the air. Learners can also use clay to create the number 10. Learners can practice using their fingers to count. <br> Learners can trace the numbers 9 and 10 on dotted lines in the appendix (Day 4 worksheet), or parents/family members can draw the dotted lines for the numbers 5 and 6 and learners can trace them. |




| 25 <br> minutes | circles drawn match. <br> - Ask the learners to mix all the cards and stack them face down in a deck. Players draw one card at a time; when the cards run out, the player with the highest number of matching numbers and circles cards wins! In order to determine the winner, learners will also have to count who has the maximum number of matching card pairs. <br> Now, ask the learner to create their jellyfish to share with their family and friends. The jellyfish can be done in two ways. <br> Idea 1: <br> - Help and support the learners in using a circular item, for example, a small round plate, to draw a circle on cardboard. Then cut out this circle and fold it into two halves. <br> - On one half of the circle, draw two big eyes and color the outside part of the circle. <br> - Collect the number strips for numbers 1-10 and start to glue them one by one under the half circle. <br> - The learner can also make a small hole and use a thread at the top of the half circle to hang the jellyfish on the wall. <br> Idea 2: <br> - Draw two eyes on a paper cup and color the paper cup. <br> - Then, glue all the number strips for numbers 1-20 inside the cup so that they are hanging from the cup. <br> Finally, ask the learners to present their jellyfish to their family and friends explaining how they created it. |
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| 15 <br> minutes <br> 15 <br> minutes | Critique and revision: <br> Learners present all of the day's work to their parents or family members for feedback and suggestions for improvement. The parents or family members provide feedback using the following format: <br> - Praise: What did you like about the learner's work done? <br> - Question: Any questions or clarifications you have about the work? <br> - Suggestions: In what areas does the learner need to improve their work? <br> Overall Project Reflection: <br> Thinking about the activities from the entire week, can you tell us: <br> - Three things you have learned from all of the week's activities <br> - Two things you found interesting <br> - One thing that you still have a question about |
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| Assessment Criteria: | 1. Counting from 1-10 accurately. <br> 2. Learners write numbers 1-10 accurately. <br> 3. Creativity in designing numbered jellyfish |


| Topics/concepts covered | $-\quad$ Counting numbers 1-10 |  |  |
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|  | $-\quad$ Writing numbers 1-10 |  |  |
|  | $-\quad$ Counting in a sequence from 1-10 |  |  |
|  | $-\quad$ Represent numbers 1-10 with objects |  |  |
|  | $-\quad$ Writing short sentences |  |  |
|  | Through this project, learners will: <br>  <br> Learning outcomes: |  | Know numbers (1-10) and the count sequence. |


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|  | $-\quad$ Write numbers from 1 to 10 both numeric and in words |
|  | $-\quad$ Represent number (1-10) with objects |
|  | $-\quad$ Write short sentences connecting numbers and objects |
|  | $-\quad$Enhance the learners' creativity, critical thinking and <br> communication skills |
|  | None |
| Required previous learning: | None |
| Inspiration: | - Learners can design more games with counting 1-10 |
| Additional enrichment <br> activities: |  |

## Appendix 1

Day 1 Worksheet: https://www.preschool-printable-activities.com/number-worksheets.htm https://www.pinterest.com/pin/536350636847470267/?nic v2=1a6mlcGY2
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Day 2 Worksheet: https://www.preschool-printable-activities.com/number-worksheets.htm https://www.pinterest.com/pin/536350636847470267/?nic_v2=1a6mlcGY2


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Day 4 Worksheet: https://www.preschool-printable-activities.com/number-worksheets.htm https://www.pinterest.com/pin/536350636847470267/?nic v2=1a6mlcGY2


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Day 6 Worksheet: https://www.pinterest.com/pin/536350636847470267/?nic v2=1a6mlcGY2


