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Monster Squeeze

**Family Note**

Games are a wonderful way for children to practice mathematics skills. *Monster Squeeze* is a game that reinforces number recognition and the concepts of greater and less. Directions are provided below, but let your child take the lead in teaching you the game.

Materials Two monsters and a 1–10 number line

Players 2

Skill Compare numbers

Object of the Game To guess the mystery number

Directions

1. Player 1 places one monster at each end of the number line, facing each other. The same player chooses a mystery number between 1 and 10 and writes it on a piece of paper.
2. Player 2 guesses a number.
3. Player 1 says whether the number guessed is too low or too high and covers the number with a monster. (The left monster covers the number if the guess was too low. The right monster covers the number if the guess was too high.)

Example: If the mystery number is 6 and the guess is 3, the left-hand monster moves up the number line to cover the 3. If the guess is 8, the right-hand monster moves down the number line to cover the 8.

4. Players keep guessing and moving the monsters until the mystery number is guessed, or "squeezed," between the monsters!

Cut out the monsters and the number line.

Use them to teach someone in your family to play *Monster Squeeze*.

