

Counting by 2s, 5s, and 10s

Family Note Counting by numbers larger than 1 can make counting more efficient and help children recognize and understand number patterns. These skills are beneficial in later grades. In school, we call this *skip counting*. Children are learning to skip count by 2s, 5s, and 10s. Look for opportunities to help your child practice skip counting.

Counting by 2s

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

**Counting by 5s**

Count the fingers in your family by 1s. Now count them by 5s. Count the nickels in your money jar by 5s, too.

**Counting by 10s**

You've had lots of practice counting fingers by 10s. Now count toes. Try to count dimes by 10s, too.

