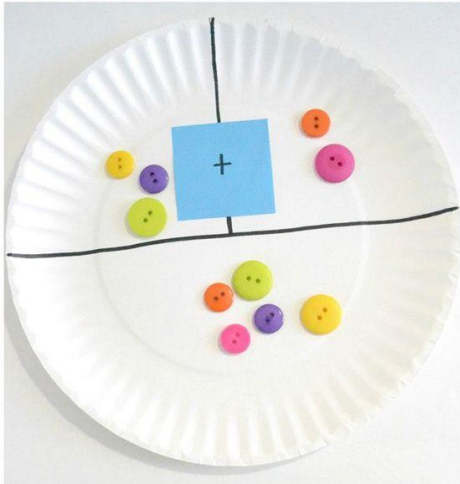


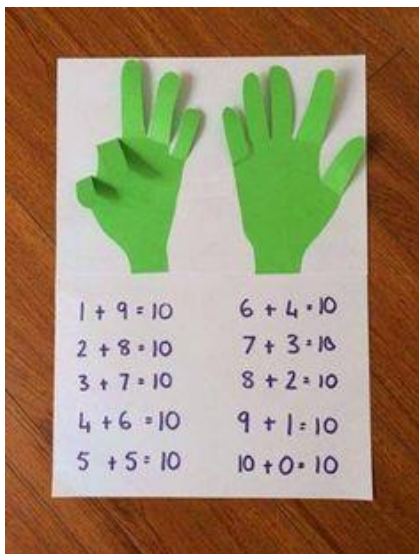
## Practical Maths



Paper Plate Addition-

Split the plate into 3 - you can use this for addition/subtraction. You can use buttons, sweets, pasta, lego, bricks - whatever you have to hand. Encourage your child to write the number sentences to go with their addition plates e.g.

$$3+2=5 \text{ or } 2+3=5$$



Number Bonds to 10...

A really good trick for number bonds to 10 facts - draw around your hand/your child draws around their hand and cut them out. Move the fingers up/down to make the different number bond facts. You can always fill up a pair of gloves with sand/flour/cous-cous/rice if you have any of these items to make some real life hands to use!



2D and 3D shapes

Make some shapes! You can make 2D or really impress us and make some 3D shapes using toothpicks/skewers with play dough to hold them together. If you don't have play dough - mini marshmallows or midget gem sweets will also work.



Place Value...This works on stones or even things you may have in your kitchen cupboards! I have used dried butter/broad beans before.

Use numbers that your child is comfortable with to begin with - add more numbers the more confident they become. Let them be involved writing the numbers on the stones/beans. 1-5; 1-10; 1-20; 1-50; 1-100.



Double it...

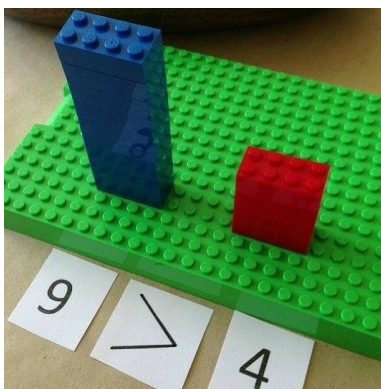
We love this activity! Using a small mirror place any items - pom-poms, sweets, lego, pasta etc... in front of the mirror. Get your child to count the total number from the real life items and those displayed in the mirror.

Practise number formation whilst writing the number sentences like shown below.



More or less...

Using Lego towers - investigate taller/shorter - more/less. By building towers of two different heights the children can compare these in different ways. Place the towers next to each other - can they tell you the difference between the two towers?



You can introduce greater than/less than symbols as your child becomes more confident.

