



Maths and Numeracy Activities

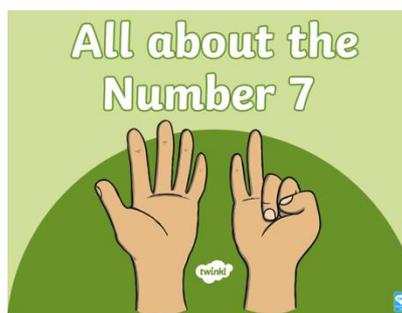
There are three number activities to work on: **1. Learning all about the Number 7**, **2. Finding 1 less** and **3. Singing number songs**.

1. Number 7

We are looking at number 7. Help your child to recognise number 7 by pointing it out whenever you see it every day:

- Ask your child if they can see a number 7 anywhere
- In the garden/on your walk, ask them to find you or point to 7 blades of grass, 7 stones and 7 houses
- At home, ask them to find you 7 blocks/lego bricks the same colour and 7 toys of different sizes
- Have a look through this PowerPoint together for more number 7 ideas to try!

*Click on the picture to open the **PowerPoint**:
(Choose 'slideshow' to view it and be able to interact with the questions)*

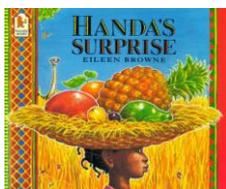


*Here is the same file in **pdf**, in case you can't access PowerPoint:*



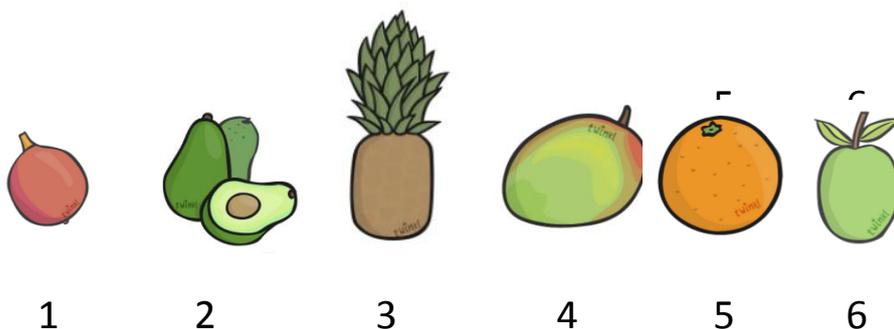
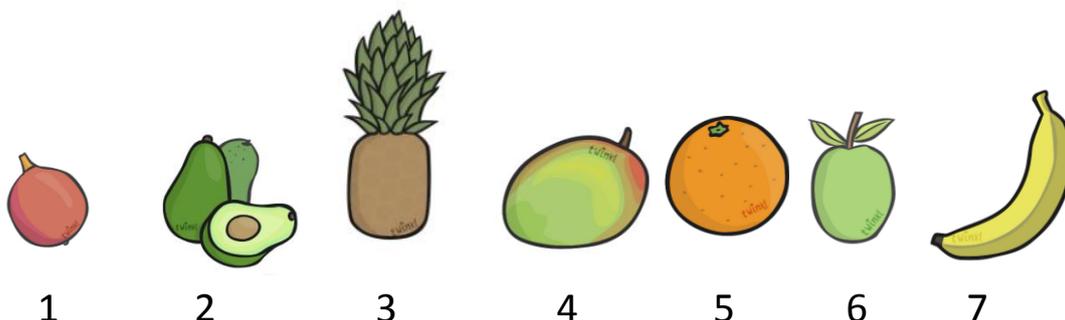
2. Finding 1 less

It's lucky we are on number 7 this week as it matches our first story so well, Handa's Surprise! In the story, Handa puts 7 fruit in her basket. If you haven't already, please first read, or listen to the story, Handa's Surprise on YouTube:



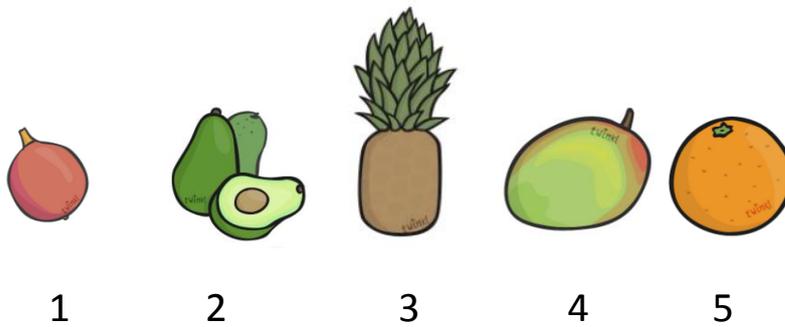
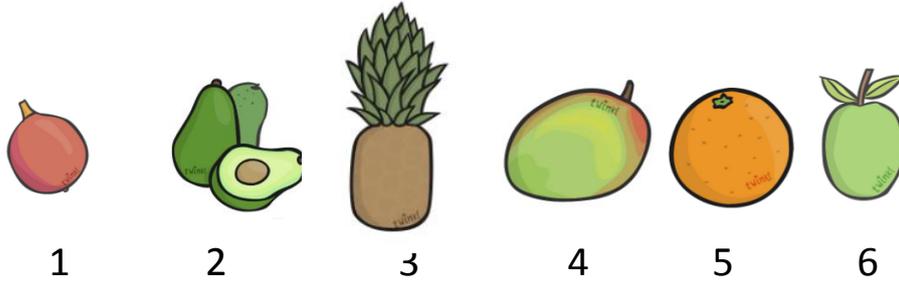
At the start of the story Handa put 7 pieces of fruit in her basket. Can you go and get 7 items from around your house? You can use different fruit or toys, stones etc. We are learning about finding 1 less from a group of objects.

1. Mums and dads: READ OUT - Handa has 7 pieces of fruit. Can you count them? After the monkey takes the banana away, she has 1 less piece. How many pieces of fruit are left after the monkey takes the banana away?



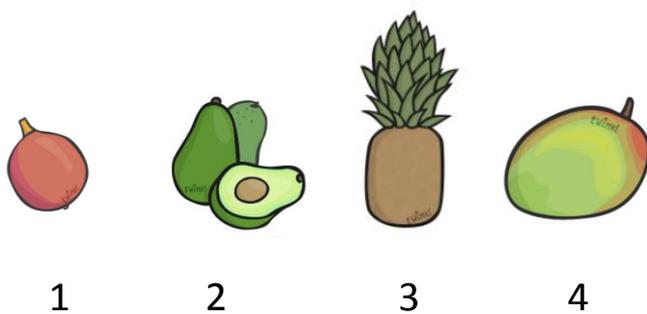
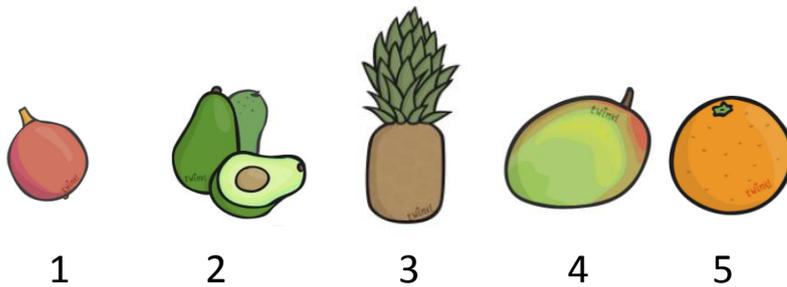
Mums and dads – **please get your child to take one of their items away from the group and count how many are left.** Help them to touch each item as they count it.

2. Mums and dads: READ OUT - Handa now has 6 pieces of fruit. After the ostrich takes the guava away, she has 1 less piece. How many pieces of fruit are left after the ostrich takes the guava away?



Mums and dads – **please get your child to take one of their items away from the group and count how many are left.** Help them to touch each item as they count it.

3. Mums and dads: READ OUT - Handa now has 5 pieces of fruit. After the zebra takes the orange away, she has 1 less piece. How many pieces of fruit are left after the zebra takes the orange away?



Mums and dads – **please get your child to take one of their items away from the group and count how many are left.** Help them to touch each item as they count it.

Challenges:

- Ask your child to guess the answer BEFORE they physically take the fruit away.
- What happens if I take 2 pieces of fruit away and there are 2 less pieces left? How many will be left then?

Support:

- Help your child to count the pieces together. Try just having 5 fruit to start off with and ask them to find out how many will be left if you take 1 away from the 5 pieces?
- If they are not yet counting independently, work on touch counting the fruit together. Start with a group of 5 fruit/objects and count each one together, pointing to it and saying the number as you count it.

3. Number songs

As always, please try to sing some number songs every day with your child to help them learn to count and to recognise numbers and to help them with other maths skills like learning the days of the week and the names of shapes.

In Nursery, we are working on 'rote counting' up to 10 and back down again (reciting numbers 1-10 and reciting down 10-1) and counting out up to 5 objects from a set. We are learning to recognise number 1-5 and to put them in the correct order. We are also learning to recite the days of the week and to recognise 2D shapes.

Here are some of our favourite number and maths songs:

Days of the Week Songs:

[Addams Family Days of the Week](#)

[7 days are in the week](#)

[Singing Walrus Days of the Week](#)

Shape Songs:

[Gentle Shapes Song](#)

[Kids TV Shapes Song](#)

Counting Songs:

[Teddy Bear Counting to 10](#)

[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, tra la la la!](#)

[Funky 1-10 song](#)

[1, 2, 3, 4, 5 once I caught a fish alive](#)

[Zero, zero, superhero](#)

[5 currant buns](#)

[5 little speckled frogs](#)

[I can count to 10](#)

[5 little monkeys](#)