Find One More or One Less

Home Learning Challenges

Ask your grown-up to tell you a number. Place this number of raisins or cereal pieces on your plate. If your grown-up says ‘one more’, can you add one more and say the number you have? If your grown-up says ‘one less’, can you eat one then count the number you have left?

There are 6 frogs on a log. One jumps into the pond. How many frogs are left on the log? Can you draw a picture to show the number of frogs?

Ask a friend or grown-up to place some small toys in front of them and say how many they have. Can you count out a group of toys that is one more?

Ask a grown-up to draw a spotty snake. How many spots does it have? Can you count them? Can you draw a snake that has one less spot?

Build a tower with 7 bricks. Can you build two more towers of bricks, one that uses one less than 7 bricks and one that uses one more than 7? Can you put these in an order? What do you notice?

Park 5 toy cars in pretend car park. If one car drives away, will there be more or fewer cars? Drive one away and check by counting. Park a different number of cars in the car park and do this again.