## Lesson 24

Objective: Count from 0 to 9 from left to right on the fingers.

## Suggested Lesson Structure

| $\square$ | Fluency Practice |
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| (6 minutes) |  |
| Application Problem | (3 minutes) |
| Concept Development | (13 minutes) |
| $\square$ Student Debrief | (3 minutes) |
| Total Time | (25 minutes) |



## Fluency Practice (6 minutes)

- Change of Pace Counting from 0 to 9 PK.CC. 1 (2 minutes)
- Use "1 More" to Make a Tower of 9 PK.CC.3c (4 minutes)


## Change of Pace Counting from 0 to 9 (2 minutes)

Materials: ( $T$ ) 9 small paper plates
Note: By using a change of pace, students start to retain the number words for longer periods of time, helping them to remember what is 1 more, which lays the foundation for counting on in Grade 1. If paper plates are unavailable, linking cubes are a good substitution and can be reused in the next fluency activity.

T: Let's set the table for 9 people today. (Perhaps place 2 rows of 4 plates with the last plate at the "head" of the table.) Only say the number when the plate touches the carpet. (Hover the first plate over the "table.") How many plates are on the table now?
S: Zero!
T: Now? (Place the first plate.)
S: 1.
T : (Place the $2^{\text {nd }}$ and $3^{\text {rd }}$ plates quickly.)
S: 2, 3 .
T : (Pause significantly before placing the $4^{\text {th }}$ and $5^{\text {th }}$ quickly. Again, there should be laughter and false starts.)

Continue changing the pace up to 9 plates.

## Use "1 More" to Make a Tower of 9 (4 minutes)

Materials: (S) 9 loose cubes with 5 of one color and 4 of another color
Note: Moving forward from Lesson 23, this fluency activity focuses on 1 more, again observing more than directing. For example, the directions do not indicate to separate the colors. Rather, observe what students do.

T: Open your bags and take out 0 cubes to start your tower.
T: Take out 1 cube. Use 1 cube to start your tower.
T: Take out 1 more cube. Add 1 more cube to your tower. How many cubes does your tower have now?

Continue the process until the tower reaches a height of 9 cubes. Have students compare their towers and notice the possible differences in their appearances.

## Application Problem (3 minutes)

Materials: (S) per pair: 2 nests (e.g., plastic grass or yarn, small bowl), 5 plastic eggs of one color, 4 plastic eggs of another color

Pair students and give each pair 2 nests and 9 eggs. Say, " 5 orange eggs are in a nest. Put 5 orange eggs in one nest." (Pause.) "There are 4 eggs in another nest. Put 4 green eggs in the other nest." (Pause.) "Count how many eggs are in the two nests."

Note: This is a repetition of almost the same context from Lesson 14 in Topic C. This repetition allows students to focus more on the number relationships. The egg colors are changed from Lesson 14 so that students do not overly relate 5 with the color blue and the "extras" with the color orange. Place a cotton ball "chick" in each egg in advance as children will count these in the Concept Development.

## Concept Development (13 minutes)

## Part 1: Concept Introduction

Note: Remember to demonstrate with the right hand first if standing or sitting in front of the children.

1. Say, "It's almost spring, and all the baby chicks (wiggle fingers) are warm inside their eggs inside their nests (make 2 fists on a surface)."
2. Say, "When spring comes, the chicks in this nest (shake left hand) hatch first and stand up. This one hatched first (raise left pinky)." Demonstrate the first 5 hatching and standing up, starting with the pinky (left to right starting from the pinky and moving to the thumb of the left hand). Have the children count the chicks as they emerge, " $1,2,3,4,5$."

3. Say, "There are more chicks hatching in this nest! (Shake your right fist.) Four of them hatch and stand, starting with the shortest one!" Have 4 more chicks come out by showing the thumb, index finger, middle finger, and ring finger of the right hand.
4. Say, "Let's count how many chicks have hatched." To support a precise count, lift your fingers off the surface and drop them as the students count, " $1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9$."
5. Have the children show their nests and eggs. Have them pretend all the chicks are in the eggs in the nests again ( 2 fists) and then count 9 chicks hatching again, starting with the pinky.
6. Ask them how many eggs are still in their nests.

## Part 2: Practice

Materials: (S) Per pair: nests from Application Problem, cotton ball "chick" in each egg
Send students to prepared tables.

1. Have pairs "hatch" the chicks in their nests by opening the plastic eggs. Invite partners to touch and count the cotton ball "chicks."
2. Have students make their fists next to the nests. Tell them, "Nine chicks (fingers) hatch and stand, one at a time. Let's count them as they hatch!" Have them count from left to right as they show each finger.
3. Ask questions as you circulate such as, "How many chicks hatched?" "How many chicks hatched in this nest? This one?" "Which was the first chick to come out? Which was the last?"
4. Ask the children to show their partner two ways to count the chicks who hatched: by touching and counting using the chicks and by counting on their fingers.

## NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ENGAGEMENT:

Differentiate your questioning by asking more challenging questions for students who are ready. For example, some students may be ready to answer the following questions: "If one more chick hatched, how many chicks would be in the nests?" "If five chicks hatch in this nest and three hatch in this nest, how many eggs are in the nests?"

## Student Debrief (3 minutes)

Lesson Objective: Count from 0 to 9 from left to right on the fingers.

The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience. It is also an opportunity for informal assessment. Consider taking anecdotal notes or using a simple checklist to note each child's progress towards meeting the lesson objective.

As students complete the Practice portion of the lesson, listen for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief.

## CENTER CONNECTION:

In the sensory center, provide opportunities for students to practice moving 9 fingers through a variety of materials (e.g., sand, oatmeal, shaving cream, finger paint). Use the nest context as a starting point, but invite children to make up other stories about their 9 fingers and the 9 paths that they create, e.g., 9 bicycles riding in mud, 9 bugs in the earth, etc.

You may choose to use any combination of the questions below to help students express ideas, make connections, and use new vocabulary.

- Show me your two nests. (Students show 2 fists.) Show me all the chicks. (Students show all their fingers.) On your fingers, show me the chicks that hatched today.
- (Display a set of cotton ball "chicks" while children continue to show 9 fingers.) How are the chicks that hatched like the 9 fingers you are showing?
- Let's count to 8 using our fingers. Now, let's count to 9 . What is different about counting to 8 and counting to 9 ?

