**Ideas for Number / Shape and measure activities.**

All these activities use either no resources or resources you can find around your house.

* As you go up or down stairs count the steps.
* Shape hunt – Look for different shapes around your house or outside.
* Ask your child to help you set the table for dinner. How many plates do we need? Have we got enough? How many more do we need?
* Counting groups of objects. Ask your child to jump, clap 3 times. Can they find 3 shoes or 3 toys? Count them together saying numbers in sequence.
* Cooking/baking – Children practise the skills of measuring and counting.

Number recognition

 First, spread out some plastic numbers in jelly layers.( You can choose anything to put numbers in eg water) When it’s all set, give out some tongs to children and show them how to pick up the numbers from the wiggly substance ([and practice their fine motor skills along the way!](https://famly.co/blog/inspiration/5-of-the-finest-activities-for-fine-motor-skills/)). This sensory play is a great way of sneaking in number recognition to something fun and engaging for the children

 Lego patterns.

Missing numbers

 Write number sequences on craft sticks and remember to leave some blanks in between. Next, write the missing numbers on clothes pegs and give them to your child. Now you’re ready to let them use their fine motor skills and clip the pegs onto the sticks.

Counting ideas – Make and count groups up to 5.

A great and fun activity to practise writing numbers/number formation.

 You can use salt, sand, washing up liquid, flour, soil, water and large paint brushes outside.

Use clothes or objects from around the house to develop your child’s sorting, matching, pairing, measuring and folding skills.