

Week	Unit	Lesson titles	Domain
2	More than, fewer than, same (Comparison 1)	Step 1- Collect objects to compare amounts Step 2-Make simple comparisons of amounts Step 3 – Look for collections of large and small amounts Step 4 – Compare and talk about large and small amounts Step 5 – Make large and small collections Step 6 – Make collections the same	Development Matters – 3 and 4-year-olds • Compare quantities using language: 'more than', 'fewer than'.
3	Explore and build with shapes and objects (shape, space and measure 1)	Step 1- Explore and play with shapes Step 2- Show interest in simple differences between shapes Step 3 - Put shapes and blocks into position Step 4- Select shapes for a reason Step 5- Begin to explore and describe natural shapes and objects Step 6 - Find and collect objects for a purpose	● Talk about and explore 2D and 3D shapes.
5	Explore repeats (Pattern 1)	Step 1- Listen to repeats in songs and stories Step 2- Start to join in songs with repeats Step 3- Start to join in with repeats from stories Step 4- Clap along to songs Step 5- Make line patterns with own sequences Step 6- Choose blocks to build roads and towers	Development Matters – Birth to three • Notice patterns and arrange things in patterns.
6	Hear and say number names (Counting 1)	Step 1-Hear some number names Step 2- Join in saying some number names Step 3- Model saying number names in order Step 4- Practise saying number names in order Step 5- Join in stable order counting forwards Step 6 – Join in stable order counting backwards	Development Matters – 3 and 4-year-olds • Recite numbers past 5.
7	Begin to order number names (Counting 2)	Step 1- Model saying 1, 2 and 3 in play Step 2- Copy the sequence of 1, 2 and 3 Step 3- Copy fingers to represent 1, 2 and 3 Step 4- Begin to count actions Step 5- Say number names in order	Development Matters – 3 and 4-year-olds • Recite numbers past 5.

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8		Step 6- Begin to recognise that anything can be counted	
	I see 1, 2, 3 (Subitising 1)	Step 1- Notice images in books Step 2- Respond to "I see 1, 2, 3"	Development Matters – 3 and 4-year-olds • Develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects, without having to
9		Step 3- Recognise "I see 1, 2, 3" Step 4- Copy "I see 1, 2, 3" Step 5- Point to 1, 2, 3 Step 6- Recognise 1, 2,3 in well-known tales	count them individually ('subitising').
10	Join in with repeats (Pattern 2)	Step 1-Join in with repeated actions in songs Step 2- Join in with repeats in songs and stories Step 3- Sing some refrains independently Step 4- Have a sense of daily routines	 Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds Understand position through words alone - for example, "The bag is under the table," - with no pointing.
11	Explore position and	Step 5- Say what happens next Step 6 – Make arrangements in art Step 1- Respond to simple language of position Step 2- Arrange blocks in a chosen position	Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds • Understand position through words alone – for example, "The
12	space (Shape, space and measure 2)	Step 3 – Select shapes for a space Step 4 – Recognise when 2 objects are the same shape Step 5 – Explore and describe shapes and objects Step 6 – Sort shapes and objects into simple categories	bag is under the table," – with no pointing.
1	Show me 1, 2, 3 (Subitising 2)	Step 1- Copy fingers to show 1 Step 2- Copy fingers to show 2 Step 3 - Copy fingers o show 3 Step 4 - Show 1 finger when seeing 1 item in stories	 Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds Develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects, without having to count them individually ('subitising'). Show 'finger numbers' up to 5.
2		Step 5 – Show 2 or 3 fingers when seeing 2 or 3 in stories Step 6 – Show 1, 2, 3 on fingers when asked	
3	Move and label 1, 2, 3 (Counting 3)	Step 1 – Make actions when saying counting words Step 2 – Move fingers when saying counting words Step 3 – Count out up to 3 objects from rhymes Step 4 – Notice number symbols as labels Step 5 – Label amounts as 1 and not 1 Step 6 – Label amounts as 1, 2 or 3	 Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds Say one number for each item in order: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. Show 'finger numbers' up to 5. Link numerals and amounts: for example, showing the right number of objects to match the numeral, up to 5.
		Step 1 – Explore shape resources	Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds

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5	Explore position and routes (Shape, space and measure 3)	Step 2 – Explore more complex inset jigsaws Step 3 – Talk about simple positions Step 4 – Move into simple positions Step 5 - Move through positions Step 6 - Follow simple small-world routes	Discuss routes and locations, using words like 'in front of' and 'behind'.
6	Explore own first patterns (Pattern 3)	Step 1 – Explain simple pattern arrangement Step 2 – Make roads and bridges with intent Step 3 – Choose blocks to copy simple creations Step 4 – Make simple line patterns with objects Step 5 – Make simple pattern arrangements Step 6 - Show an interest in patterns and shapes	 Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds Talk about and identify the patterns around them. For example: stripes on clothes, designs on rugs and wallpaper. Use informal language like 'pointy', 'spotty', 'blobs', etc.
8	Take and give 1, 2, 3 (Counting 4)	Step 1 – Choose a group to count Step 2 -Take out 2 from a group Step 3 – Take out 3 from a group Step 4 – Give others 2 items Step 5 - Give others 3 items Step 6 – Count 3 objects with one-to-one correspondence	 Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds Say one number for each item in order: 1,2,3,4,5. Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how many there are in total ('cardinal principle').
9	Match, talk, push and pull (Shape, space and measure 4)	Step 1 – Match simple shapes Step 2 – Push some shapes and blocks together Step 3 – Make simple arrangements Step 4 – Talk about arrangements Step 5 – Follow simple routes outside Step 6 – Follow toys around a simple route	 Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds Select shapes appropriately: flat surfaces for building, a triangular prism for a roof, etc. Combine shapes to make new ones – an arch, a bigger triangle, etc. Describe a familiar route.
11	Talk about dots (Subitising 3)	Step 1 – Become familiar with dot patterns Step 2 – Say when there is 1 dot Step 3 – Say where there are 2 dots Step 4 – Recognise 1 and 2 different arrangements Step 5 – Say when there are 3 dots Step 6 – Recognise 1, 2 and 3 in different arrangements	 Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds Develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects, without having to count them individually ('subitising'). Show 'finger numbers' up to 5.
		Step 1 – Notice when two collections are the same Step 2 – Make collections of small objects the same Step 3 – Make collections of large objects the same	 Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds Compare quantities using language: 'more than', 'fewer than'.

12	Compare and sort collections (Comparison 2)	Step 4 - Recognise two collections are the same using large and small objects Step 5 - Make collections the same using large and small objects Step 6 - Sort and talk about their collections	
2	Lead on own repeats (Pattern 4)	Step 1 – join in fully with sequence and songs Step 2 – sings rhymes independently Step 3 – Lead sequences and songs Step 4 – Read on in familiar repeating stories Step 5 – Copy art-based simple patterns Step 6 – Explore own line and repeating patterns in art	 Development Matters – 3 and 4-year-olds Talk about and identify the patterns around them. For example: stripes on clothes, designs on rugs and wallpaper. Use informal language like 'pointy', 'spotty', 'blobs', etc.
3	Starting to puzzle (Shape, space and measure 5)	Step 1 – Complete shape-match puzzles Step 2 – Complete simple jigsaws Step 3 – Match objects to pictures Step 4 – Match objects to shadows Step 5 – Explore objects and small world from different positions Step 6 – Make simple routes in small world with lines and curves	 Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds Talk about and explore 2D and 3D shapes (for example, circles, rectangles, triangles and cuboids) using informal and mathematical language: 'sides', 'corners'; 'straight', 'flat', 'round'. Discuss routes and locations, using words like 'in front of' and 'behind'.
5	Making patterns together (Pattern 5)	Step 1 – Sing their own songs independently Step 2 – Clap in time to a beat Step 3 – Make and talk about movement patterns Step 4 – Talk about objects in patterns and arrangements Step 5 – Copy AB patterns with support Step 6 – Continue AB patterns with support	 Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds Talk about and identify patterns around them. For example: stripes on clothes, designs on rugs and wallpaper. Use informal language like 'pointy', 'spotty', 'blobs', etc. Extend and create ABAB patterns - stick, leaf, stick, leaf.
6	Make games and actions (Subitising 4)	Step 1 – Make dot patterns Step 2 – Be introduced to subitising games Step 3 – Play subitising games Step 4 – Copy sets of sounds Step 5 – Listen to and represent sounds with fingers Step 6 – Listen to and represent sounds with resources	 Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds Develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects, without having to count them individually ('subitising'). Show 'finger numbers' up to 5.
7	Show me 5 (Counting 5)	Step 1 – Sing rhymes to 5 and join in with movements Step 2 – Move props to 5 Step 3 – Move props back from 5	Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds

8		Step 4 – Show fingers to 5 Step 5 – Begin to count 5object with one-to-one correspondence Step 6 – Match numerals to quantities when acing out songs	 Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how many there are in total ('cardinal principle'). Show 'finger numbers' up to 5. Link numerals and amounts: for example, showing the right number of objects to match the numeral, up to 5.
9	My own pattern (Pattern 6)	Step 1 – Continue AB patterns Step 2 – Create their own AB patterns Step 3 - Notice an error in a pattern Step 4 – Build constructions with simple enclosures Step 5 – Copy simple repeated constructions Step 6 – Begin to sequence some events	 Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds Extend and create ABAB patterns - stick, leaf, stick, leaf. Notice and correct an error in a repeating pattern. Begin to describe a sequence of events, real or fictional, using words such as 'first', 'then'
11	Stop at 1, 2, 3, 4,5 (Counting 6)	Step 1 – Count out up to 5 objects from a larger group Step 2 – Explore counting to 5 in different ways Step 3- Verbally count to a given number Step 4 – Label objects with numerals Step 5 – Independently show fingers to 5 Step 6 – Begin to make marks to represent quantities	 Development Matters - 3 and 4-year-olds Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how many there are in total ('cardinal principle'). Show 'finger numbers' up to 5. Experiment with their own symbols and marks as well as numerals.
12	Match, sort, compare (Comparison 3)	Step 1 – Compare up to 5 different objects Step 2 – Compare by matching Step 3 – Make the same set by matching Step 4 – Match by type Step 5 – Recognise attributes of objects Step 6 – Begin to sort some objects toa type	Development Matters – 3 and 4-year-olds • Compare quantities using language: 'more than', 'fewer than'.