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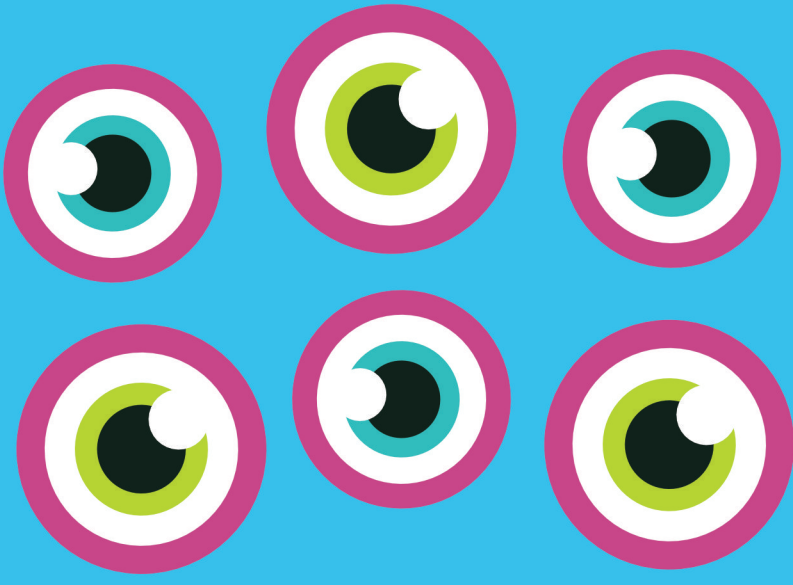
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TEACH KIDS ABOUT NUMBERS WITH

MONSTER NUMBERS

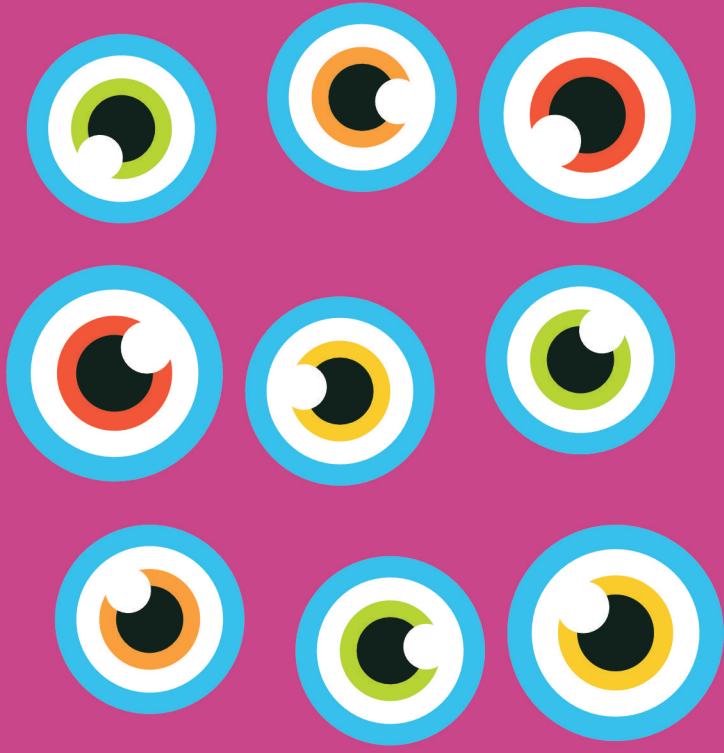
HOW TO USE THE MONSTER NUMBERS BAG COVERS:

- 1 Introduce the Monster Numbers** - Have them count the eyes to figure out which number is which. They can trace the number on each bag with their finger. Spread out the monsters and practice finding the right number monster when they are all spread out.
- 2 Feed the Monsters** - Every day for a week, feed the monsters something different. Remind the kids that the monsters only need the same number of food items as the number they have on their bag. Count out each item as you put it into the bag for extra practice. Make it more fun by letting the kids choose what to feed the monsters... we feed ours legos, marbles, broken crayons, etc. Just small fun items around the house that we won't mind missing for a week or two as we master our numbers. I emphasize small if you want to fold the bags up between activities so that they'll store easier.
- 3 Dancing Monsters** - Mix up the monsters and have the kids find the right monster number. I always sing and dance with the kids as we do this to make it more fun!
- 4 Monsters in Order** - Have the kids order the monsters from 1-9 as fast as possible.
- 5 Run and Stand** - Have the kids step back about 10 feet. Call out a number and they'll run and stand in front of the correct monster. If they get it right, they do a happy dance or get a high five. If not, they have to do another task (jumping jacks, toe touches, etc.) and then try again. Call it a workout!!
- 6 Empty the Bags** - After a couple weeks, empty the bags and have the kids sort and count the items so that they can put them away.

These are just a few of the ways we used them! Be creative and come up with your own favorite way to practice numbers with the number monsters!



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