Mastering Number at Home

Year 1 – Week 5

Find pairs to 7 (with numbers)

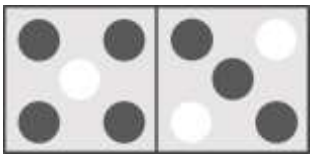
1	2	3	4	5
6	1	2	3	4
5	6	1	2	3
4	5	6	1	2

(Monday, Wednesday and Friday)

How to play

- Cut out the number cards on the worksheet **'Find pairs to 7 (with numbers)'** and place them face-up on a flat surface.
- Pick up 1 card. Can your child find its partner, so the 2 cards together make 7?
- Repeat with different cards, so your child can practise finding all the ways to make 7.
- On Friday, you may wish to time your child to see how quickly they can find all the ways to make 7.

Is it 6 or 7?



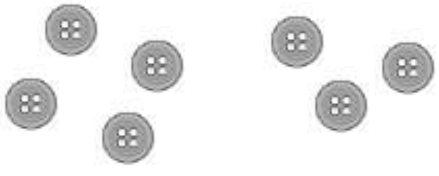
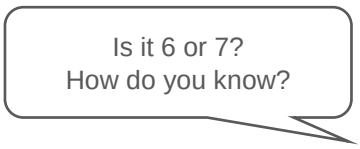
(Tuesday and Thursday)

How to play

- For this game you will need the **'Double dice frames'** worksheet and 7 counters.
- Place either 6 or 7 counters in the spaces on ONE of the dice frames, then hide the frame with a cloth or a tea towel.
- Briefly reveal the counters and ask your child, *"Is it 6 or 7?"* Can they answer without counting?
- Think about how you could arrange the counters to make it more difficult. (You could start by always filling the first 5 spaces so your child can see '5 and 1' and '5 and 2'. Then you could explore using ANY of the spaces in the frame so that, e.g. 6 could be '4 and 2' or '3 and 3'.)
- Take it in turns to position and hide the counters, making arrangements of either 6 or 7 each time.

Other things to try at home

Play variations of '6 or 7?'

Gather 7 similar small objects from around your home, e.g. 7 blocks, 7 buttons, 7 toy cars, etc. You will also need a tea towel or cloth to cover the objects.

Place either 6 or 7 objects under the cloth, arranged in 2 clear groups. Reveal the arrangement briefly and ask your child, *"Is it 6 or 7?"* Can they tell you without counting? After 5 turns (rearranging the objects each time), swap roles so your child hides the objects.