

Objective: The child builds early math skills after hearing numbers and counting pictures of community helpers.

Materials needed:

Counting Community Helpers Sheet (printable)
Tape

Procedures:

- 1. For a young toddler, you will focus on only counting #'s 1-5.
- 2. Cut out the pictures.
- 3. As you count them to your child, you are going to put a small piece of rolled up tape on the back of each "helper picture" and then tape it to the wall (highchair tray, door, fridge, or wherever you choose to teach and show).
- 4. Show your child the person, tell them what kind of community helper they are, put tape on the back, tape it to show, then count out loud.



- 4. Continue this same way of teaching and counting until you have counted all the way up to 5.
- 5. You should have 5 pictures of the same community helper displayed up for your child to see.
- 6. Once they have all been shown, taped, displayed, and counted individually, go back pointing to each picture and count them again 1-5 in front of your child.

Milestones to meet:

The child hears numbers and develops the concept of counting. The child can listen to numbers being counted, while looking at pictures to make the one-to-one correspondence connection. The child learns numbers 1-5 and how to count up to 5.

Evaluation:

Did this lesson work for your child? Why or why not?