



Count with Mr. Crab

2 years to 3 years

Objective: The child can count from 1 to 5 while using pictures of a crab to learn.

Materials needed:

Mr. Crab Cutout (printable)

Procedures:

1. Cut out 5 small crabs. (only teaching #1-5)
2. With the large Mr. Crab, cut the "circle" out as if you were cutting out his mouth. It should be an open hole, to allow him to "eat" the small crabs.
3. Showing your child, begin by counting one small crab. What you will do to "count" is hold up a small crab in front of your child, say "1", then put it in the large Mr. Crabs mouth and say "Yum, Yum!" Ask them to say "#1" with you.
4. Continue to repeat same way up from #'s 1 to 5
5. Always remind your child to "count with you" saying the numbers as you "feed the crab".



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5. Let child count and put the small crabs in the big crabs mouth on their own. Your child will love this type of counting because even though you are teaching the concept of counting numbers, they are enjoying seeing the small crabs being "eaten away."
6. We recommend only focusing on counting from numbers 1—5 at this age.

Milestones to meet:

The child can count with you from 1-5.

Evaluation:

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