

Dear Grown-Ups

Whenever I ask my 5-year-old, Olive, to count something, she does a fantastic job getting to the number 20, more or less. But then she moves from 20 to “sixty ten thousand million bazillion” without many stops along the way. My 2-year-old, Toby, on the other hand, reliably counts “one, two, ONE!” over and over again.

Welcome to the counting box! Counting is the foundation of lots of mathematical knowledge and skills. And, it’s a key part of cooking and baking. This box is full of opportunities for kids to practice counting as you make a delicious lunch, dinner, or dessert together. Start with Count-It-Up Oven Grilled Cheese and 3-2-1 Salad with Honey Vinaigrette. Not only will kids measure and count ingredients, they also get to customize the meal just the way they like it. Then, use one of the dice in your box as you decorate your Candy Counting Cookies.

Squeeze in a little more counting practice with our pizza-themed Count Your Toppings! game and finally, learn about the power of perseverance in the *Counting on Quartney* storybook.



Make it count!

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