

## H Numbers and Numerals

### **H1 Feel How Many**

*Skills practiced:* feeling; counting; recognizing numerals; working together.

*Needed:* 10 little stones (other small objects, like buttons, may be used instead as long as each one is different), board or large sheet of paper.

*Activity:* Have a student stand before you with his or her eyes closed.



Put some stones in her or his right hand and some in the left hand.

Let the student feel how many; have him or her count them.



Have the student say the number.

Write the numeral for this number on the board.

Have the student open his or her eyes and check to see whether he/she counted correctly.

Then examine the stones thoroughly and describe one stone. (For example: one little sharp, white stone with a brown upper side.)

Teach the students to be precise in their descriptions.

Then do the game again, with a different number of stones and a different student.

When the game is understood by all the students, let them play it in pairs of two.

Stimulate the joy of getting it right.



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