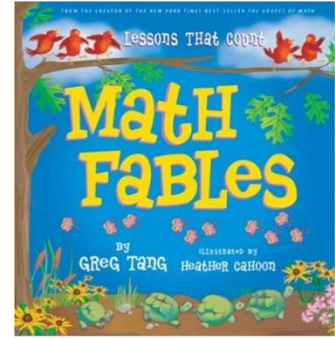


Title: “Math Fables: Lessons That Count”

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Grade Level: 1st – 2nd Grade

Synopsis: Math Fables is a collection of short stories that include numbers and animals to help children learn to count. The numbers increase throughout the book. The end gives students a tool to practice thinking of big numbers in terms of smaller numbers, especially in groups of ten.



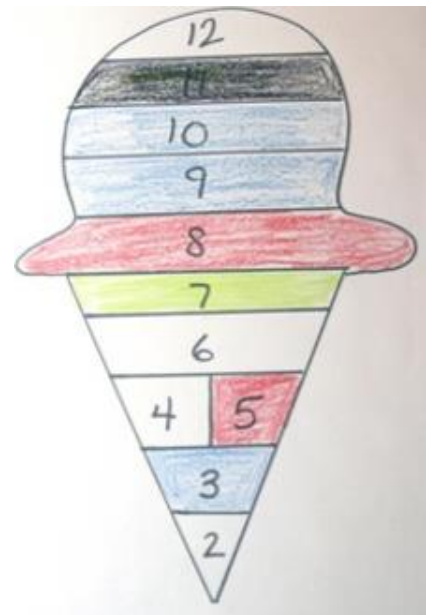
Resources: <https://www.education.com/download-pdf/activity/30351/>

Materials:

1. White paper, 1 per student (or pre divided image, if desired)
2. Crayons, markers, colored pencils
3. Dice, 2 per group of 2-3

Activity: (Practice with Addition)

1. After reading “Math Fables” students will draw an outline of their favorite animal from the book.
2. They will then divide the animal outline (similar to the ice cream in the picture below) into 12 sections, excluding number 1.
3. Place students in groups of two or three and give each group two dice.
4. The youngest student will roll first, the numbers rolled will be their addends. The student who rolled will color in the sum on their animal.
5. The next student will roll for their addends and color in the sum on their animal.
6. If the sum is already colored on their sheet, they move on to the next turn.
7. The student with every number colored in first, wins.



(Note: Students can be given a pre-divided image to use instead of drawing, if desired.)