



Early Years Mathematics Vocabulary

Number

zero
number
one, two, three....to twenty and beyond
teens numbers, eleven, twelve...twenty
none
how many....?
count, count (up) to, count on (from, to), count back (from, to)
is the same as
more, less

Place Value

digit
the same number as, as many as,
more, larger, bigger, greater
fewer, smaller, less
fewest, smallest, least,
most, biggest, largest, greatest,
one more, one less,
order
size
first, second, third... twentieth
last,
before, after
next
between

Estimating

guess how many...? estimate nearly
close to about the same as just over, just under
too many, too few enough, not enough

Addition and Subtraction

Add, adding, more, and make, total altogether double how many more to make..? how
many altogether? one more, two more how many more is... than...? how many more is....?
take away how many are left/ left over? How many have gone? one less, two less
how many fewer is... than..? how much less is...? difference between subtract

Multiplication and Division

Sharing
Halving
Doubling

Fractions

half $\frac{1}{2}$
quarter $\frac{1}{4}$

Measurement

Size compare enough, not enough
too much, too little too many, too few nearly
close to, about the same as just over/under

Length/ Height/ Distance

Length, height,
Long, short, tall
high, low wide, narrow thick, thin
longer, shorter, taller, higher
longest, shortest, tallest, highest
far, near, close

Weight

weigh, weighs, balances
heavy, light
heavier than, lighter than
heaviest, lightest
scales

Capacity and Volume

full, half full, empty
holds
container

Money

money
coin
penny, pence, pound
price, cost
buy, sell
spend, spent
pay
change

General

Recognise, describe, draw, compare, sort,
puzzle
What could we try next?
How did you work it out?

Time

Days of the week Monday, Tuesday..... day week birthday holiday

Morning, afternoon, evening, night, bedtime, dinner time, playtime

Today, yesterday, tomorrow before, after, next, last now, soon, early, late

quick, quicker, quickest, quickly slow, slower, slowest, slowly

old, older, oldest new, newer, newest

takes longer, takes less time

hour, o'clock, half past, clock, watch, hands

Properties of Shape

shape, flat, curved, straight, round, hollow, solid sort size bigger, larger, smaller

symmetrical, pattern, repeating pattern match

2-D shape

Rectangle (including square) circle triangle

Corner

Side

3-D shape

Cube, pyramid, sphere, cone, cuboid

Face

Edge

Vertex

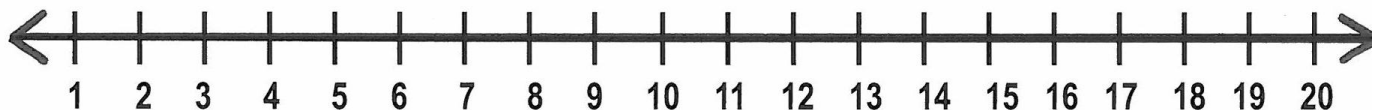
Vertices

Position and Direction

Position: over, under above, below top, bottom, side on, in outside, inside around in front, behind front, back beside, next to opposite between

Direction: left, right up, down forwards, backwards, sideways across next to, close, near, far along, through to, from, towards, away from

Movement: slide, roll, turn, stretch, crawl, bend, whole turn, half turn



Number sentence

$3+1=$

$5-2=$