



Understanding Object Counting Consistency

Today's Standard

K.CC.B4b - Understand that the last number name said tells the number of objects counted. The number of objects is the same regardless of their arrangement or the order in which they were counted.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Counting toys in different arrangements; Counting steps while walking; Counting fruits in a basket; Counting students in a line; Counting blocks in a tower

Today I Learned

Today, we learned that the last number we say when counting tells us how many objects there are. It doesn't matter how we arrange the objects or the order we count them in.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes kids think the number of objects changes if we move them around. They might also think the number changes if we count in a different order. But the number stays the same!

Quiz Me

- How many toys are there if you count them all?
- Does the number change if you move the toys?
- What happens if you count the toys in a different order?
- What does the last number you say tell you?
- Can you count these fruits and tell me how many there are?

Help Me

When you count objects, the last number you say tells you how many there are. It doesn't matter if you move the objects around or count them in a different order. For example, you can count your toys, and even if you move them, the number of toys will be the same.