

Bug Count

By Janiel Wagstaff

5 bugs out to greet the day
count them as they make their way

crawling, creeping, having fun

5 bugs = 4 + 1

climbing weeds and flowers, too

5 bugs = 3 + 2

make their homes in dirt and trees

5 bugs = 2 + 3

walking, rolling, some fly-soar

5 bugs = 1 + 4

jumping, floating, so alive!

5 bugs = 0 + 5

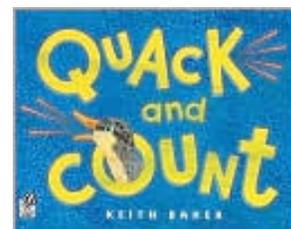
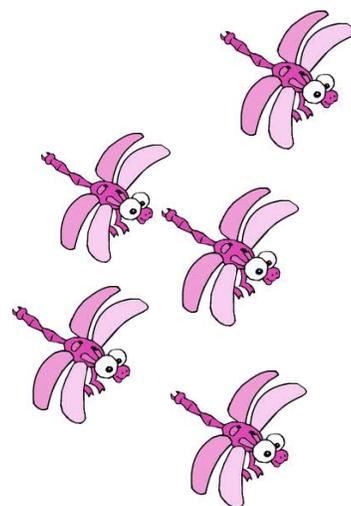
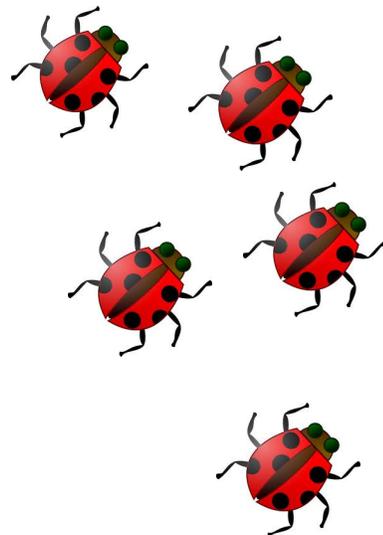
What if there were six bugs now?

How might you group them, how, how, how?

Sets up “daily number” routine: How many ways can you make the number? As students gain skill, think beyond simple addition number sentences and incorporate ‘mental math.’

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Skip Counting Rhyme

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2, 4, 6, 8
Count by twos
You're doing great!

3, 6, 9, 12
Counting by threes
Is really swell!

5, 10, 15, 20
Count by fives
You've got it, honey!

10, 20, 30, 40
Count by tens
Now start again!

Hundreds Chart

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
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91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

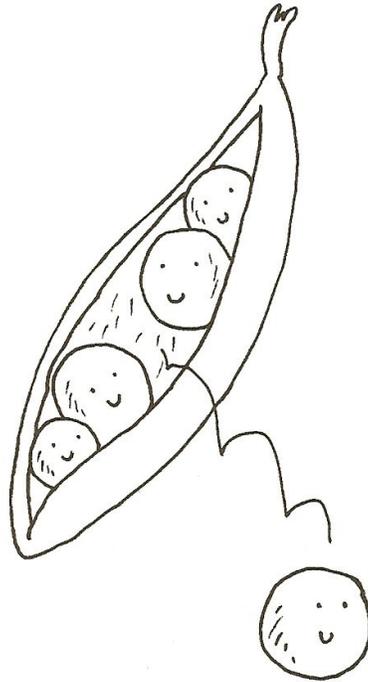
Ideas: fill in the hundreds chart: twos: underline, threes: dot underneath, fives: half circle, tens: full circle

White board writing: time how long to get to one hundred (or whatever the goal is), time again to beat your score and work on fluency and automaticity

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Five Fat Peas

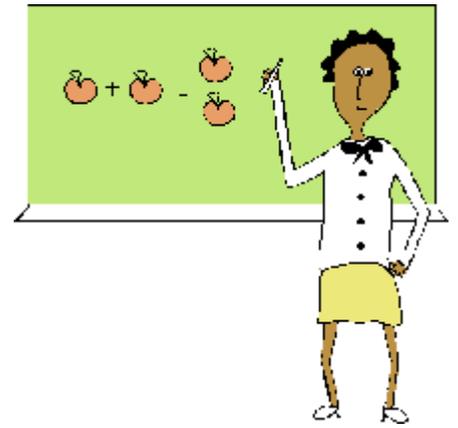
Five fat peas
sittin' in a pod.
One said, "Let's go!"
and left with a nod.
Another rolled away
when the first one went,
leaving only three
in their pea pod tent.
"I'm off," cried the next,
"to see the world!" She dropped.
The one next to her
ejected with a POP!
"Now there's only me,"
said the last lone pea.
"I guess I'd better plant myself
and grow more family!"



Adding Is Fun

(Tune of "Adam's Family")

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Adding is fun!

Adding is fun!

Adding is fun, adding is fun,

adding is fun!

When you want to add

Just put the sets together

Count up from the big one

It's easy, 1, 2, 3!

Adding is fun!

Adding is fun!

Adding is fun, adding is fun,

adding is fun!

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Adding Is Fun

(Sung to the tune of: "The Adams Family")

Adding is fun! Snap, snap!
 Adding is fun! Snap, snap!
 Adding is fun! Adding is fun!
 Adding is fun! Snap, snap!



When I need to add
 I start with my ones.
 If they're ten or more
 I trade that ten right now!

Adding is fun! Snap, snap!
 Adding is fun! Snap, snap!
 Adding is fun! Adding is fun!
 Adding is fun! Snap, snap!

