Counting things up to 20

How do you count a group of more than ten things?

WORDS TO KNOW

Teen words: thirteen, fourteen, and on to nineteen.

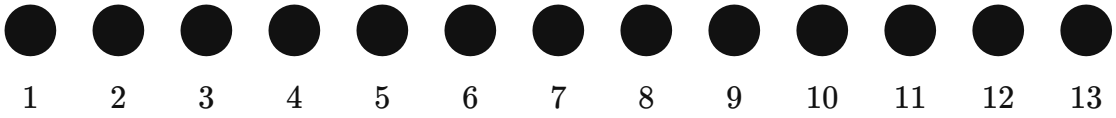
Mark: a small line you draw on a thing once you count it.

KEY IDEAS

1. Keep going past ten

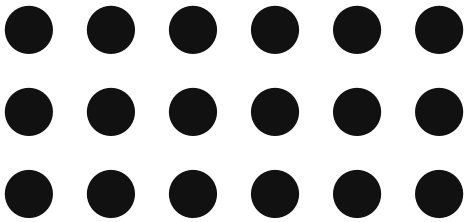
After ten come eleven and twelve. From thirteen to nineteen, the words end in "teen." Still touch one thing for each word.

> ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty



2. Rows: keep the count going

At the end of a row, keep your finger on the last one. The next row goes on with the next word.



> Do not start again at one.

WATCH OUT

- **Going around a circle twice.** Put a sock by the first one. Stop just before it.
- **Losing your place in a pile.** Mark each thing, or move it away, as you count it.

WORKED EXAMPLES

Example 1. There are 7 blocks on top and 4 blocks below. How many?

1. Count the top row. The last word is "seven."
2. Go on in the bottom row: eight, nine, ten, eleven.

Answer: 11 blocks.

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