NSPCC Number Day Under 5's resources: Dino Eggs

Featuring curriculum linked resources from **the LifeSavers programme**

Number Day

It's never too early to make the link between numbers and money with children

Habits formed in childhood can last a lifetime. It is important to start teaching and talking about money with children from a young age.

Research shows that financial habits begin to form as early as ages 4-7. And yet, financial education is not taught in primary schools through a consistent curriculum and learning experience. This puts some children at a disadvantage compared to their peers and can impact their financial confidence as they grow older.

Teaching and talking about money at home and at school encourages open communication. It helps children feel comfortable discussing financial choices and seeking advice, fostering a supportive environment where they can learn and grow.

We've put together some fun activities to help to start conversations with children aged 4 to 11 about money at school and at home.

Explore Just Finance Foundation's website today to register your interest for our free financial education resources for your primary school.

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Milo's Money

Help Milo turn his dino eggs into gold coins

What you will need

- Yellow coloured playdough or salt-dough
- Printed number cards
- Something to squash your eggs with. A piece of wood dowel, or a small empty plastic bottle with the lid screwed on (little hands also work perfectly!)

Turning eggs into coins!

- Roll the playdough into 5 or more small egg shaped balls.
- Print off the number cards and cut them out. Then turn them over on a flat surface and mix them up.
- Ask the children to turn over one of the number cards. The children should squash the eggs depending on the number card they have turned over. Ask the children how many gold coins they have made.

Printable Number Cards

Now Squash 1

Now Squash 2

Now Squash 3

Now Squash 4

Now Squash 5

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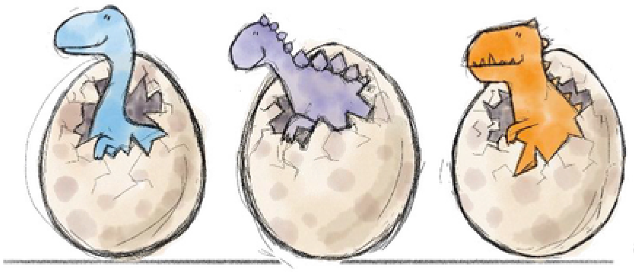

Squash and count!

- How many eggs did you make?
- What number card did you turn over?
- How many eggs did you squash?
- How many gold coins did you make?
- How many dino eggs do you have left over?

You can use the grid below to line up your eggs and squash.

Answer the questions

1. If you made 5 dino eggs, and squashed 2, how many gold coins would you have? How many dino eggs would you have left over?
2. If you squashed 2 more dino eggs, how many gold coins would you now have in total? How many eggs would you have left?
3. If you made 5 more dino eggs, and squashed 2 more, how many gold coins would you have in total? How many dino eggs would you have left?

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LifeSavers

Helping children manage money wisely

LifeSavers is our financial education programme, delivered free to primary schools across the UK. We work directly with teachers, educators and schools to provide a wide range of curriculum linked classroom resources and practical activities to engage children with financial education from a young age.

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