

## HELP CHILDREN SEE THE MATH AROUND THEM.

Help children recognize the use of math around them in daily life, and engage them in games and activities that foster familiarity with numbers and mathematical thinking. A guide, "Helping Your Child Learn Math," is available online at

<http://www.ed.gov/pubs/parents/Math/index.html>. The

guide suggests many activities that parents can do with children (grades K-8) at home, at the grocery store, or in transit. The activities generally make use of playing cards, coins, containers, or other simple materials around the house.



More activities and games for strengthening specific skills and concepts are provided online in a "Guide to Helping Your Child Understand Mathematics," provided by Houghton Mifflin's Education Place (see <http://www.eduplace.com/parents/index.html>); select "Parent's Place," then "Parent's Resources." Suggestions are also provided for things to do in the grocery store, in a restaurant, while shopping, and on the refrigerator door.

<http://www.ericdigests.org/2000-2/math.htm>