

# THINKING WITH NUMBERS

## Lesson Descriptions

### How Many Dots Are There?

Even after counting the objects in a set correctly, young children often do not know the number of objects. These lessons will help children learn that the last number you say tells how many. It is not uncommon for a young child to count objects, "1, 2, 3, 4." Then, when asked how many, the child might respond "7." By hiding the objects under a cloud, they have to rely on the last number counted to tell how many. They need to begin feeling comfortable using their prior knowledge about the number of a set without having to recount each time they are asked how many.

Expected content outcomes include helping children learn:

- that the last number you say tells how many,
- to accurately count a set of objects and tell how many, and
- to recognize the symbols for the numbers.

