## Maths: One Less Than

Draw a-20 number line on the floor outside using chalks. Stand on 0. Ask a grown-up to say a number and then jump to that number. Can you work out what is one less? Move to that number and say it out loud.

Empty a packet of raisins. If there are more than 20 in the packet, ask a grown-up to help you count out 20. Each time you eat a raisin, count how many are left.

Collect some small objects, such as play people or building bricks. Ask a grown-up to count out some of the objects and say how many they have. Can you count out one less than that number?

There are lots of songs you can sing to help you remember one less than each number. You could sing '10 Green Bottles', '10 Little Men in a Flying Saucer' or '5 Little Speckled Frogs'. You could try changing the songs to sing from 20!

Greedy Gorilla has 10 bananas in a basket. His mummy says he can eat 1 banana. How many bananas are left? How many bananas would be left if Greedy Gorilla ate another banana? Try drawing some pictures to help you.


Count out a set of 20 toys into a cardboard box. The cardboard box is going to be a bus to take the toys on a journey. Move the box around the room and each time the bus stops, a toy gets off the bus. Count how many toys are left each time until the bus is empty.

