

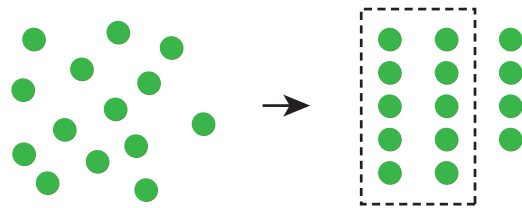


Dear Family:

When children first start counting, they count objects one at a time. Helping children see 5-groups and 10-groups enables them to understand larger (greater) numbers. We are learning that if we can see groups of objects as 5-groups and 10-groups, then we can understand greater numbers. Children learn to make these groups with objects. Later, they will see them as organized groups in their minds.

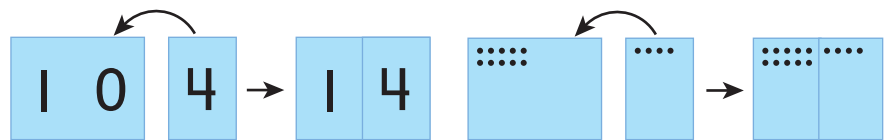
Your child is learning that the teen numbers 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19 each have a 10 inside: $11 = 10 + 1$, $12 = 10 + 2$, and so on through $19 = 10 + 9$.

Have your child practice counting groups of objects. Your child can find and separate the 10-group from the total quantity to see the 10 hiding inside the teen number.



fourteen is ten and four

Your child can then show this number by using the number cards on the next page.



Thank you for your cooperation!

*Sincerely,
Your child's teacher*

