

# Storytime Activity Guide

## *One is a Piñata: A Book of Numbers*

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Let's join in the fiesta fun and count to 10. Discover all the objects that surround the characters and count with them to see how many there are.

### Did you know?

A good foundation in **early math** prepares children for “math thinking,” and for later academic success. Early Math includes number sense, classifications and patterning, measurement, mathematical reasoning, and geometry (shapes). While reading *One is a Piñata: A Book of Numbers*, practice counting together and pointing out numbers in print to develop your child’s early math skills.



### Words to Practice

Piñata  
Numbers (One, Two, Three, etc)  
Fiesta  
Rainbow  
Siesta

### Talk about it!

- Ask your child what items they see on the page. Then count them (ex: One ball, one piñata, two socks, etc.)
- Connect the images you see to the space you are in. “Do you see a piñata in your house? How many do you have? Do you see a ball in your house? How many do you have? Let’s count!”
- The characters counted to 10. Try to find something in our surroundings which has 10 of the same. (Ex: You see the tree outside and it has 10 leaves)
- Count them out loud

### Find More Online

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[qrco.de/OnePinata](http://qrco.de/OnePinata)

# Create!

Let's make a Party Robot Piñata!

- Materials needed:**
- Small cardboard box
  - Party streamers
  - 2 toilet paper rolls
  - Glue
  - Colorful construction paper
  - Buttons
  - Markers

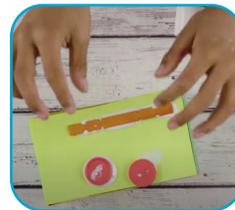
1. Gather all of your materials. How many different shapes do you see?
2. Trace the sides of one box onto the construction paper in order to cover the box. Count how many sides there are.



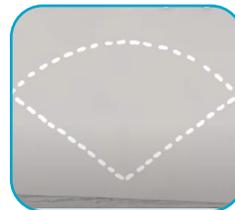
3. Once you have all the sides traced, cut them, and glue to the sides of the box.



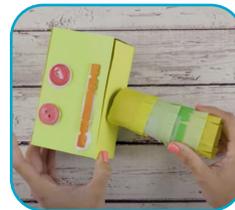
4. Begin to decorate your box (robot) using two buttons and also feel free to add your own design using the markers. Decorate the toilet paper rolls with the party streamers too. Count the number of colors your robot has.



5. Using another piece of construction paper, cut out a pizza slice and roll it into a cone for a party hat.



6. Then put all the pieces together: the box, toilet paper roll, and cone. Feel free to decorate more. Now you have a Party Robot Piñata!



## Play: Count and See

On your next walk or car ride, try to find objects to count. Let's focus on 1 through 10 and find objects that match those quantities. (Ex: I see 1 stop sign, I also see 2 cats on the sidewalk, and finally and see 3 clouds in the sky. Keep going up to 10.)