

Month: June Week: 3 Subject: Mathematics

Day 1	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Let's Go to the Zoo Number: 18 Letter: Qq Color: Purple Shape: Square	M1.1 Demonstrate strong sense of counting
Indicators		
	Younger Preschool	Older Preschool
	May count out loud or place objects one-by-one.	May count and match a set of objects to a written numeral.

Activity: Playdough 18

Give children small pieces of playdough and ask them to roll 18 animal shapes (snakes, turtles, fish, etc.). Show the number 18 on a card and have them count their creations as they make them. Older children can break the total into groups (e.g., 9 lions and 9 tigers). This hands-on activity builds number sense, one-to-one correspondence, and numeral recognition.

Resources/Materials • Playdough	Key Vocabulary: count, number, eighteen	Support:
Number 18 cards		
• Animal shape cutters (optional)		





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Day 2	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Let's Go to the Zoo Number: 18	M1.1 Demonstrate strong sense of counting
	Letter: Qq Color: Purple Shape: Square	M3.1 Demonstrate understanding of classifying
Indicators		
	Younger Preschool	Older Preschool
	May place food items one at a time while counting aloud.	May match quantities of food to animal pictures or bowls.

Activity: Feed the Zoo

Set up pretend zoo animals (toys or pictures) with numbered food bowls. Invite children to "feed" each animal by placing the matching number of pretend food items (e.g., pom-poms or cubes). Younger children can count as they feed. Older preschoolers can match numeral cards to each animal.

Resources/Materials Toy animals or animal pictures	Key Vocabulary: feed, more, less	Support:
Small bowls		
Pom-poms, counters, or pretend food		
Number cards		





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	Theme: Let's Go to the Zoo Number: 18 Letter: Qq Color: Purple Shape: Square	M3.1 Demonstrate understanding of classifying
Indicators		
	Younger Preschool	Older Preschool
	May sort objects by one attribute like shape or color.	May describe and sort shapes into categories.

Activity: Shape Sort

Give students a variety of zoo animals and colored shape mats (circles, squares, triangles). Ask them to place each animal on the matching shape mat. Focus on squares today to reinforce the shape of the week. Talk about what makes a square special (4 equal sides, 4 corners). Encourage older children to explain their sorting decisions.

Resources/Materials • Animal figurines or pictures	Key Vocabulary: shape, square, sort	Support:
 Colored shape mats (especially squares) 		





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Day 4	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Let's Go to the Zoo Number: 18	M1.1 Demonstrate strong sense of counting
	Letter: Qq Color: Purple Shape: Square	M1.2 Demonstrate understanding of written numerals
Indicators		
	Younger Preschool	Older Preschool
	May create animal shapes and count total items.	May create basic math equations using objects.
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Activity: Playdough Animal Math

Using playdough and zoo animal stencils, children will make animals and count how many they create. Model simple equations using their creations (e.g., "1 lion + 1 lion = 2 lions"). Older children can build and "solve" simple number sentences with their playdough animals. Teachers can write math sentences on sentence strips to match their models. This activity develops counting, comparing numbers, and early addition.

Resources/Materials • Playdough	Key Vocabulary: count, add, animal	Support:
Zoo animal stencils or cutters		
Number cards and sentence strips		





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Day 5	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Let's Go to the Zoo Number: 18 Letter: Qq Color: Purple Shape: Square	M1.3 Recognition of number relations
Indicators		
	Younger Preschool	Older Preschool
	May place objects on a simple chart and compare more or less.	May interpret and describe a simple bar graph.

Activity: Animal Graph

Create a simple graph with 3-4 zoo animals (lion, giraffe, elephant, monkey). Ask each child to choose their favorite and place a picture or marker in that column. Once completed, discuss which animal had the most, least, or same number of votes. Ask children questions like, "Which animal is the favorite?" or "How many more lions than elephants?"

Resources/Materials • Graph chart (pocket chart, poster, or floor tape graph)	Key Vocabulary: graph, more, less	Support:
Animal cards or tokens		
Markers or stickers		

