

# Number Bonds

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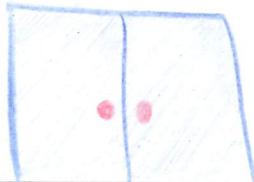
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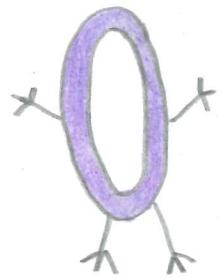
One day number 0 was walking to her new secondary school, but she was a bit nervous because her best friend number 10 wasn't going to be with her.

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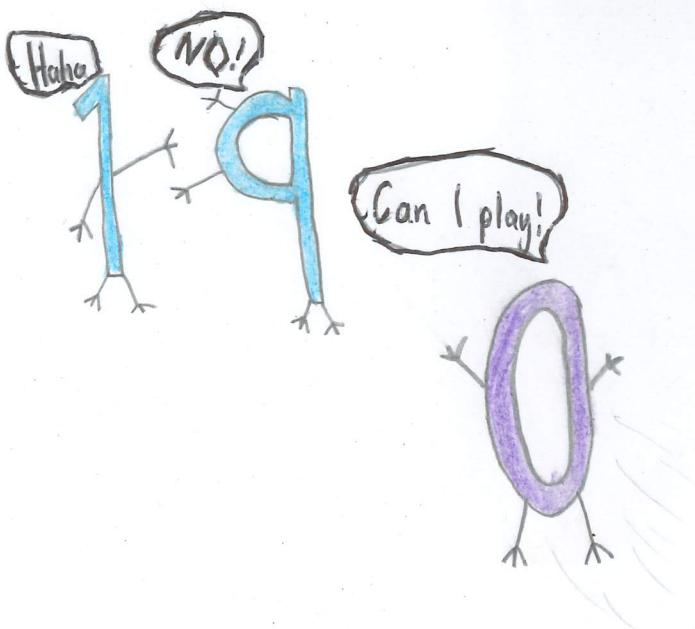
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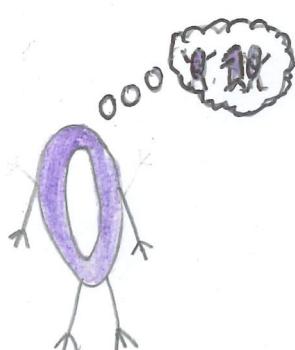
She saw number 7 and number 3 laughing so she thought maybe they will let her play, but they walked away before she even had a chance to ask the question.



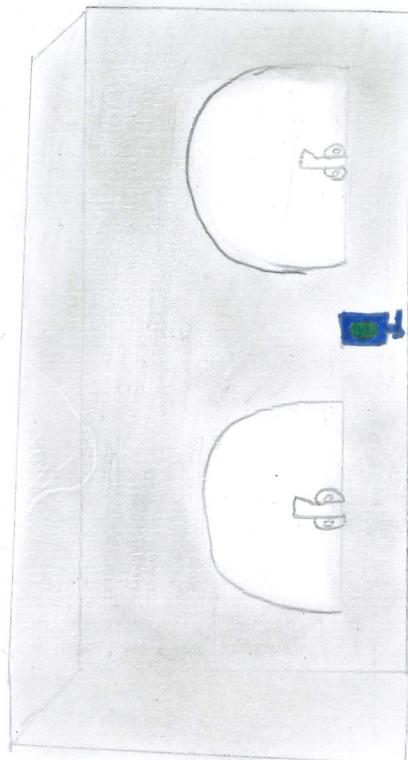
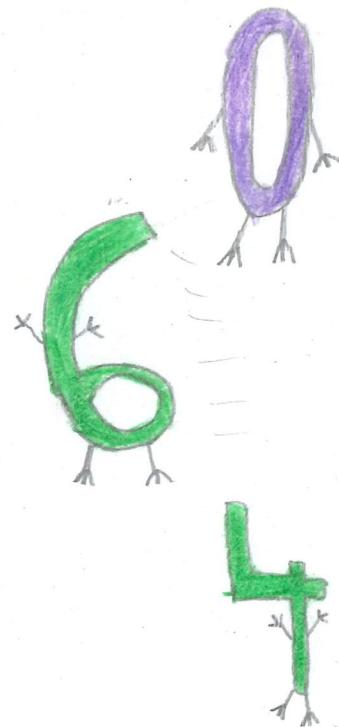
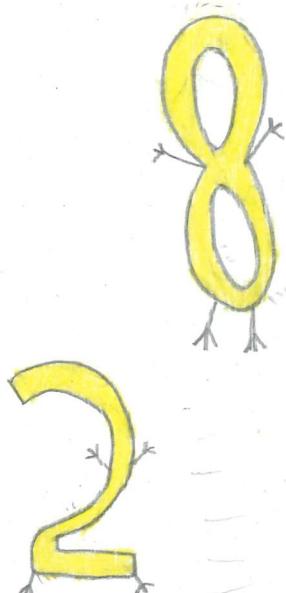
A few minutes later she saw number 9 and number 1 sat together doing a handshake so number 0 skipped over to them and asked to join in, but they ran off laughing and making fun of number 0 for not having anyone to play with.



She got very upset and walked to the corner and thought about how much she missed number 10 because they would always have sleepovers on the weekends and would always make up handshakes.



Number 0 finally got up and walked to the bathroom to splash her face with some water, but as soon as she walked in number 6 and number 4 were washing their hands and then they stared at her. Then, a few minutes later, number 8 and number 2 walked into the bathroom and just stared at number 0, until they laughed to each other and ran to number 6 and number 4 and whispered something that made them all run out in a hurry.



Number 0 just cried and cried and cried, she felt like no one wanted to be her friend, but then she realised she was late for her class and sprinted as fast as she could to get to her maths class.



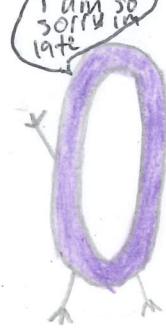
She finally got to the class she needed to beat and when she walked in all the numbers were sat on two tables there was;

- 7 and 3 on the front right table.
- 6 and 4 on the front middle table.
- 9 and 1 on the front left table.
- 8 and 2 on the back right table.
- 5 and 5 (the twins) on the back middle table.

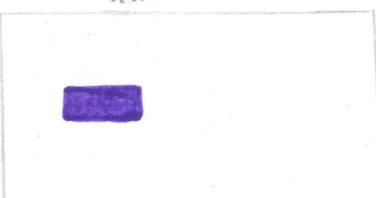
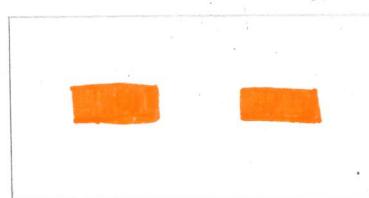
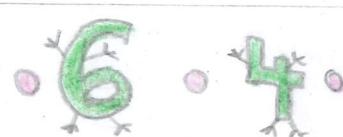
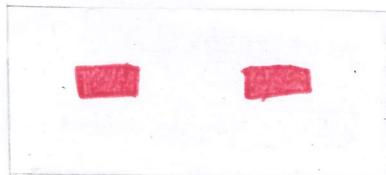
That's alright, take a seat!



I am so sorry I'm late



And then there was one more desk, the back left table, the whole class was whispering about number 0 so she just tried to ignore it and just walked to the back and sat down until she heard a very familiar voice and she knew exactly who it was.



It was her best friend number 10! She was so excited to see her and when number 10 saw her they both smiled. Then the lesson carried on and they learnt about number bonds.

We will be learning about number bonds today.

