Number Formation

What Does the Term 'Number Formation' Mean?

In mathematics, number formation simply means the ability to write numbers.

In year 2, children will continue to build on their number work from year 1. At this stage, they are required to recognise, read and write numbers up to at least 100 in numerals (and words).

As well as using the resources in this category, and the keyword searches to help your child learn about number formation, below are a few ideas for games and activities to help your child practise and become more familiar with writing numbers at home.

Number Cards

Use **Number Cards to 100** for various number-writing activities. Shuffle the pack. One person picks out a card but doesn't show the other player. They read out the number and the other person has to write it down. Use the card to check at the end.

Number Squares

Download a **Blank Hundred Square** and laminate it. Can your child fill in all the numbers? Wipe some of the numbers off and encourage your child to spot the missing numbers and to write them in.

What Number Am I?

In pairs, take it in turns to stand with your back to your partner. The other player traces a number using their finger on the first player's back. Can they identify the number? Swap over.

Matching Game

Select a variety of numbers up to 100 and write them on separate pieces of card or paper. Write the numbers you've chosen in words on separate pieces of card or paper. Place them face down and shuffle them. Encourage your child to find matching pairs by remembering where each card is.



Writing Numbers 0 to 100

Encourage your child to write the numbers 0 to 100 correctly with a range of engaging resources on our **Parents' Hub**. Try our eye-catching posters and number line resources. Alternatively, encourage your child to look, trace and write the numbers on our worksheets to practise their number-writing skills.

Ordering Numbers up to 100

Step 1

Encourage your child to practise their number formation and recognition skills of numerals up to 100 with activity cards which allow children to order numbers represented in different ways. Choose from challenges which test your child's fluency, reasoning and problemsolving skills in this area.

Missing Numbers

Step 2



Encourage your child to write down the missing numbers on our selection of missing-number activity sheets – a great way to reinforce number recognition as well as to encourage your child to practise writing numbers correctly.

