

## Using a twenty bead string with young children activity 2

### Whole class activity

You will need:

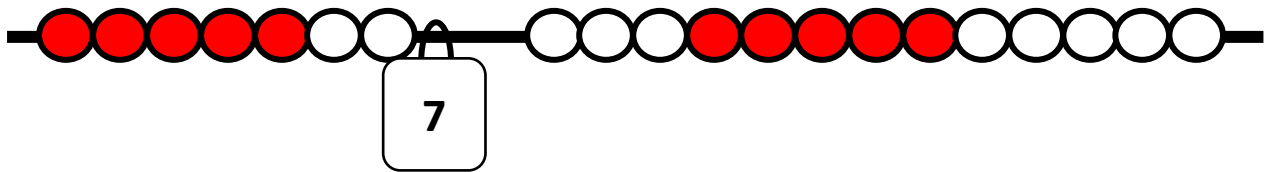
- A teacher sized 20 bead string
- Number cards and hooks (Laminated digit cards, single hole punched at the top, hooked over the bead string by using a bent paper clip)
- Children's sized 20 bead strings (optional)

Show the class the 20 bead string. Count on and back by moving the beads one at a time.

Split the beads as shown.



Using a laminated card with a hook made from a bent paperclip, hang it from the bead string.



Ask the children to describe what they see and what number they think has been counted. Establish that the number is 7. Hand the appropriate number card from the bead string.

Encourage the children to then count on with you from 7, as you move the beads across.

Repeat this activity with different numbers.

If the children have their own bead string to 20, ask them to make the number 7, move the beads and count together.

You may wish to use the 20 bead string number flash cards with your children.

Ask the children to make the number shown and find the correct piece of card to hang from the large bead string. Encourage them to count on from that number.