

Counting Octopus

This activity explores
Number Sense & Counting

Learning Goal

Practice counting 1-8.



What You'll Need

- Paper plate
- Construction paper
- Markers or crayons
- Cereal loops, sequins or buttons
- Scissors
- Glue
- Googly eyes

Steps

- **1. Make an octopus!** Cut the paper plate in half to make the head. Decorate it with crayons and add eyes and a mouth.
- **2. Add the tentacles!** Cut 8 long paper strips to make the octopus legs, or tentacles. Write a number on each leg, 1-8, and glue the legs to the head in number order.
- **3.Add the suckers!** Using small round items like cereal loops or buttons, add suckers to the tentacles in the amount of the number on each one. Practice counting together!

Watch Video



Talk Together

- Which tentacle has the most suckers on it?
- How many suckers does the octopus have?

Book Suggestion

Dos en el Zoológico/Two at the Zoo,

written by Danna Smith and illustrated by Valeria Petrone

Online Game

Curious George: Blast
Off

pbskids.org/curiousgeorge/ busyday/rocket/