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<b>Activity</b>	Comparison
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<b>Ideas for babies and toddlers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Modelling:</b> talk with and to babies and young children about <i>lots, more, not many, not enough</i> and <i>few</i> as they play.</li> <li>• <b>Sing lots of songs and rhymes:</b> to help children with comparison of number. Using props provides children with a visual representation of different amounts. (See development zone resources for example songs and rhymes).</li> <li>• <b>Provide add share number books:</b> Books such as, ‘How big is a million?’ by Anna Milbourne introduces vastly different amounts to young children. (See development zone resources for book recommendations). Alternatively create your own number books.</li> <li>• <b>Treasure baskets:</b> with small groups of the same items progressing to baskets of varying items to compare.</li> <li>• <b>Collections of manipulatives:</b> to sort and compare which include objects which are identical and objects of different kinds or sizes, for example pebbles, pine cones, leaves, sticks.</li> <li>• <b>Boxes, baskets, bags:</b> or something physical to separate items into smaller group, for example cross stitching rings or empty photo frames.</li> <li>• <b>Hiding games:</b> such as peek a boo or where’s teddy gone.</li> </ul>
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