# Welcome to COUNTING TO SPRING Little Interactive Book 



This is a download for you to print and assemble valuable tools you can use over and over again. Perfect for working on counting, number recognition, communication and pre-literacy skills. The Little Interactive Book is similar to a file folder game in book format. These books review basic concepts. Each page has pictures that form a simple sentence. A selection board is placed in the back of the book and can be removed (with Velcro type fasteners). The board holds the images of words/numbers to match the pictures shown. The child chooses the correct image for that particular page and pulls it off the selection board and places it on the page in the book.

The Little Interactive Books can be used to teach and reinforce a new concept such as shapes, to teach a child to combine words to make a meaningful sentence, and to teach pre-literacy skills such as turning pages, reading from left to right and reading one word at a time. These books work great for young children that are developing typically. They are also perfect for children with delays, a speech or language impairment or autism to sequence words together. The books are very motivating and the children will love the interaction as they read the story.

This Little Interactive Book, when finished is $51 / 2^{\prime \prime \prime} \times 81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$. This book can be used with one child or a small group. This is a perfect size for little people to hold, turn pages and "read".

PRINT THE LAST PAGE or read first: Keep these instructions by your side as you print and make your Little Interactive book \& pouch game.


Visit my store for many more Little Interactive Books that teach the following concepts: Shapes, letters,' numbers, prepositions, rhyming words, animal sounds and many more

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## Choice Cards



Choice Cards: Laminate with heavy film if possible. Cut out each square. Put LOOP Velcro type fastener in the center on the back of each square. $1 / 2$ " circles work great. You will need 20 Hook and 12 Loop fasteners.

Selection Board: See right for how to put the HOOK Velcro type fasteners on the front of the selection board on bottom half of page with Page \#9. It may be helpful for you to position the cut out squares on the selection board before you adhere the HOOK fasteners.


## How many of each?



Bees


Chicks

Cut out the numbers and glue onto "How many of each?"

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## Instruction Sheet

## 1. Little Interactive Book-Directions to assemble book, print pages 2-7 in color.



- Printing: Use heavy paper when printing (cardstock is best). You will be printing on one side only. The books are intended to be used with a color printer. Note: Regular. paper is fine if you have thicker laminating film (3-5mil) sheets. Most times things print from the last page to the first. Put a regular paper on top and the cardstock pile under it. That way your direction page will print on regular paper.
- Laminate: It is best to laminate the book for durability. Laminate all the pages except for this instruction sheet. Many schools have large sheet laminators available for teachers. These typically use thin laminating film ( 1.5 mil ). With repeated use of the book and of pulling the selection cards off the hook and loop fastener, the film may become separated from the paper. I recommend using single page pouch laminating for heavier more durable pages. You can get a table top thermal laminator at Wal-Mart or an office supply store starting at about $\$ 30$. I like to use the 3 mil or 5 mil thickness for the laminating pouches. You can also use Self-Seal Laminating Pouches that you do not need to have a laminating machine and come in thicknesses up to 8 mil. (if you use a lot of laminating pouches, I have found the pouches at laminator.com are a good price)

- Book set up: After you laminate the pages, cut the first 6 pages in half on the thin grey line. The $6^{\text {th }}$ page has a slightly smaller selection board on the bottom half that has dotted lines around it...cut around this dotted line and set aside. Put your pages in order with the cover first through page 10. Cut out the 9 smaller squares on the last page, these will be your choices to go on the selection board.
- Binding: There are many ways to bind. 1. Use a comb binder (found in most schools). This is what is shown in most of our examples. Hint: use "glue dots" on the end pieces of plastic to keep the children from pulling apart. 2. Punch 2 or 3 holes and use metal rings. 3. Staple the pages together You may want to put a piece of duct tape along the back if the stables are sharp. 4. Punch 3 holes and use brads (metal pieces that open up to keep in place) Note: \#1 or \#2 work best to give the pages spaces between when the selection pieces are added.
- Hook and Loop (Velcro type) Fasteners: Follow instructions for where to place the hook and loop fasteners. found that $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ circles work well.


## 2. Take Home Book: Print out pages 2-6 in grey scale for a little take home book.

## 3. Pouch/File folder Game: Instructions to make, print pages $8 \& 9$ in color. Use card stock for durability.

Selection Pieces: Laminate in a heavy pouch. Cut apart each square. Put LOOP side of Velcro type fasteners in the center of the back of each square. Keep pieces in Ziploc bag in pouch.

To Make Pouch: On page 1, laminate entire sheet first and then put a HOOK side fastener on the spots as shown. Laminate a second blank sheet. Use clear tape to attach along bottom and two sides, leaving the top open to store the ziplock bag. Can also glue page 1 to file folder for traditional file folder game.


## 4. Work Sheet: Print out pages 8 \& 9 for in grey scale a counting worksheet

