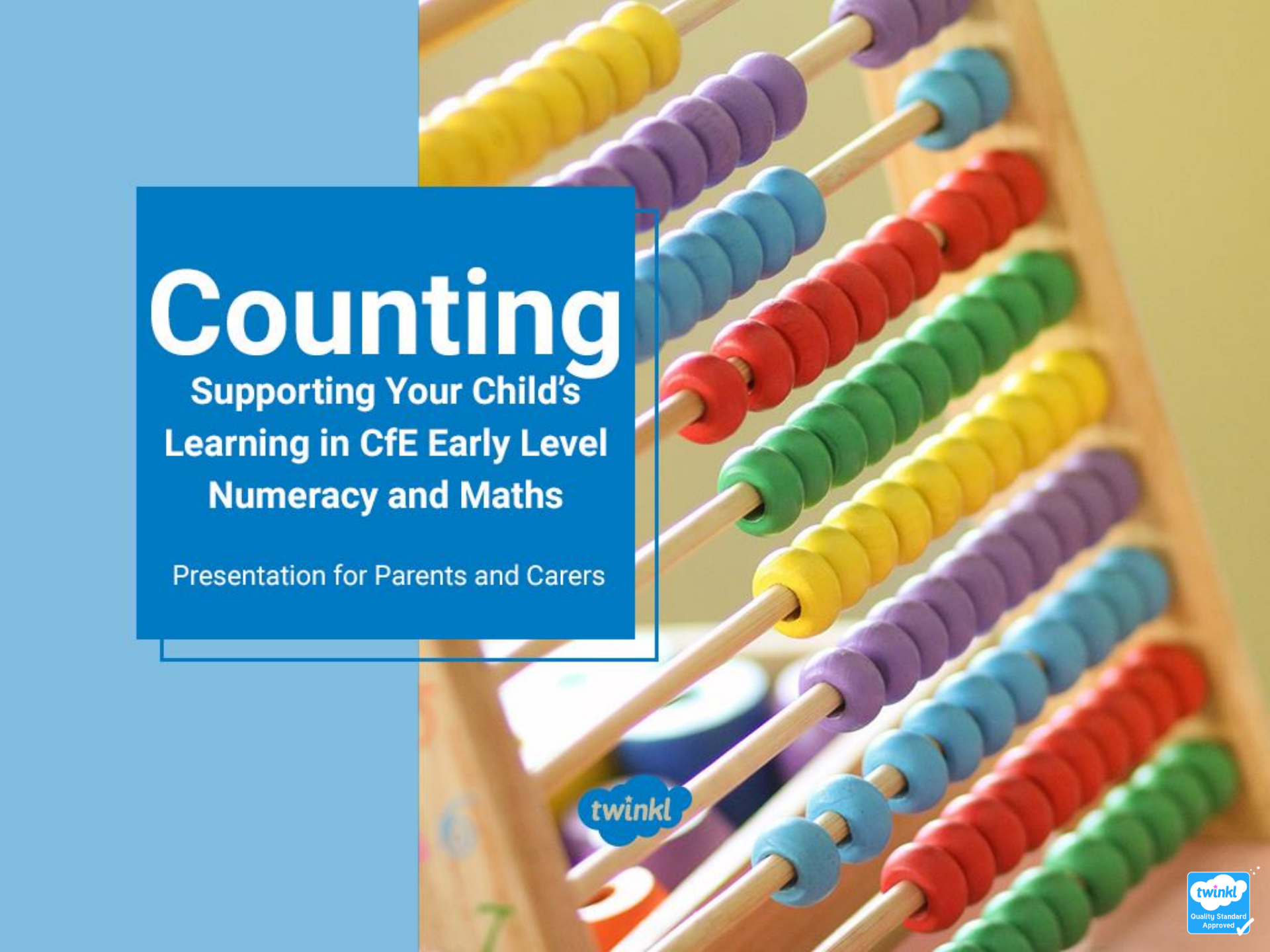




Counting

**Supporting Your Child's
Learning in CfE Early Level
Numeracy and Maths**

Presentation for Parents and Carers

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Children will practise counting in class in lots of different ways.

Children count forwards from zero or will start from different numbers.

Children will count backwards from different numbers too.

The teacher might use a counting stick or number line to help children count.

Children can point to different numbers and talk about what comes before or after.

Skip Counting



The teacher might use a blank counting stick to help children see counting patterns.

A counting stick can be used for skip counting where numbers are missed out.

It might be used to count in 2s, 5s or 10s.

It might be used for checking children's understanding of number order. For example, the teacher might count in 1s from zero and say buzz instead of one of the numbers. This helps check that children can continue the sequence.

Counting in Pairs



Use socks or gloves to help count in pairs.

Match socks and ask questions when you do this.

How many pairs? How many socks?

Use words like odd and even and talk about the difference between them.

Ordering Number



Ordinal numbers like first, second and third tell us the position of something.

Use everyday tasks, toys and games to help your child understand order.

Talk about order when getting ready for school. You might eat your breakfast first and brush your teeth second.

Talk about order when your child is playing. Were they first in the race or second in the game?

Money

Encourage your child to apply their knowledge of number to money.

Let your child play with money and ask them to name the different coins.

Challenge your child to choose different coins to show the same amount. For example, make 10p in different ways.

At Early Level, children are practising identifying coins up to £2.

Use 'shopkeepers addition' where you count change into someone's hand to practise addition and subtraction skills within 20p.

Let your child practise counting out 1p, 2p, 5p and 10p coins to 'pay' for items that cost less than £1.



