

Reception Home Learning Maths Activity 2

LO: Understand the concept of subtraction by practically removing one amount from within another



You will need

- Playdough (recipe on the next slide)
- Simple subtraction sentences (on the next slide)

How to play

- Read the number sentence
- Roll the correct number of small playdough balls
- Smash the number of balls to be subtracted.
- How many are left?
- Say the number sentence 10 subtract 4 is 6

Pointers for Parents

• Talk about the action of subtraction as taking away, which means the new amount must be smaller/less than we started with.

Challenge:

- ❖ **Make a number line to mark the starting point and then count back the correct number of hops.**
- ❖ **Can you calculate the subtraction mentally?**



PLAY DOUGH
SUBTRACTION SMASH





NO COOK PLAY DOUGH

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Ingredients:

- 2 cups flour
- 1 cup salt
- 4 tablespoons Cream of Tartar
- 2 tablespoons oil
- 2 cups boiling water
- Food coloring (optional)
- 1 teaspoon vanilla essence (optional)

Instructions:

- Place all the ingredients in a bowl.
- Mix together until incorporated.
- Knead until smooth.
- Store in a sealed container.



$$10 - 9 =$$

$$10 - 8 =$$

$$10 - 7 =$$

$$10 - 6 =$$

$$10 - 5 =$$

$$10 - 4 =$$

$$10 - 3 =$$

$$10 - 2 =$$

$$10 - 1 =$$

$$10 - 0 =$$