

# Odd or Even

## Why

To understand numbers

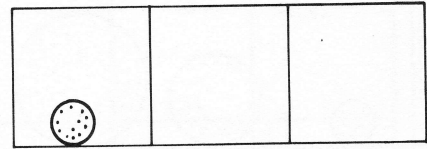
## How

- ☐ Have your child take a handful of beans or other small objects.
- ☐ Count them with your child.
- ☐ Then help your child arrange them in pairs to find out if the number is odd or even. An odd number will have one bean left over; an even number will come out even, with no beans left over.
- ☐ Keep a record of what happens. Do you see a pattern?

ODD	EVEN
5 ○ ○ ○	2 ○ ○
7 ○ ○ ○ ○	4 ○ ○

- ☐ To picture the pattern, write the numbers in a row. Color the odd numbers blue and the even numbers red.

► Oddness and evenness are important concepts for understanding fractions, algebra and other advanced mathematics. ◀



Grade Level

## TOOLS

Record sheet

Beans or small objects

Blue and red crayons

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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