



# COUNTING IN A CIRCLE (SPARKLE)

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"Counting in a Circle," or "Sparkle," is a fast-paced and versatile routine to practice fluency in counting and other math and literacy concepts.

## SCAN THE QR CODE TO:



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## GRADE LEVEL:



<https://microlearning.ccee-ca.org>

## KEY STEPS

### 1

#### CHOOSE A COUNTING SEQUENCE

- Select a counting sequence suitable for your students' level
- Options for K-1: counting one through ten, backward ten to one, teen numbers, or starting at a random number, practicing spelling words one letter at a time
- Options for upper grades: skip counting for multiplication practice, fractions, decimals

### 2

#### COUNT THE SEQUENCE AROUND THE CIRCLE

- Students stand in a circle, taking turns to count in sequence
- If a student makes a mistake, they sit in the center and counting continues
- When students get to the last number in the sequence, everyone claps (or says "sparkle"), and that student sits down in the center of the circle

### 3

#### CONTINUE SEQUENCE UNTIL ONE STUDENT IS LEFT STANDING

- Students start over with the counting sequence until there is one student left, and that student is the winner of the game for that round