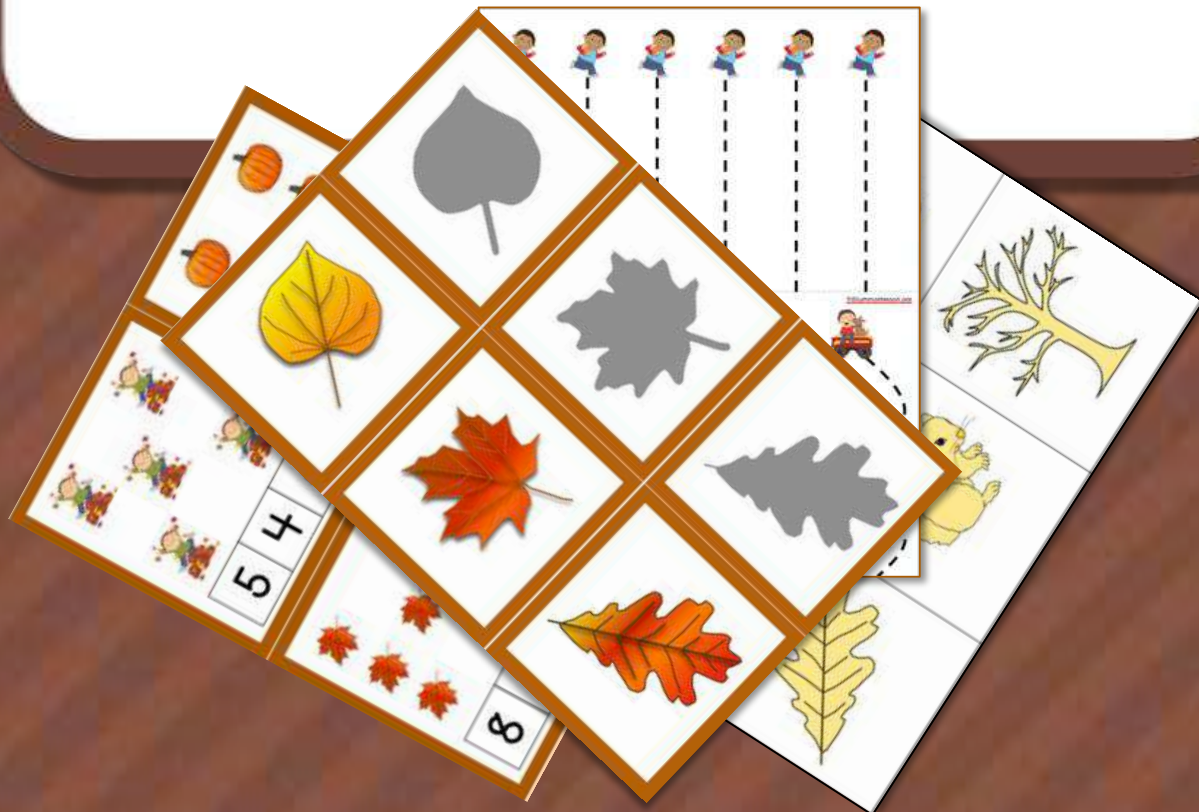


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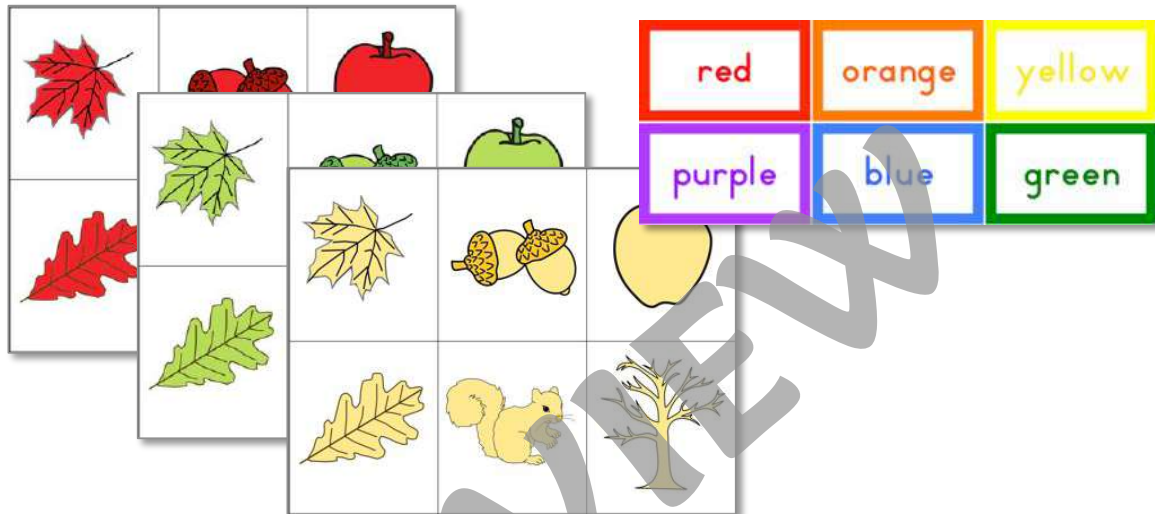
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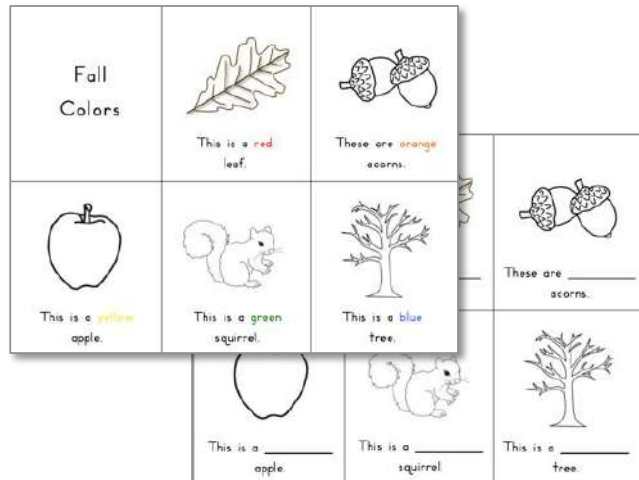
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Contents and Instructions

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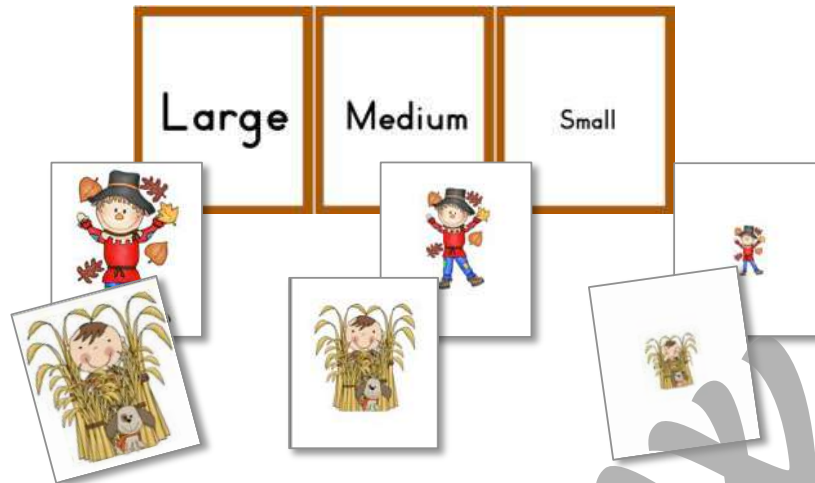
Two options for printing are included. Print the colored cards, cut, and laminate. Or use the ink-saver option to print on colored paper, cut, and laminate (photo below is from the January Pack).



Sort by color on felt mats, or in rows/columns. Use the color labels to teach color words. If you have access to the Montessori Color Box 2, the children can look for the matching color tablets. If not, you can pick up some paint swatches and use those for matching.

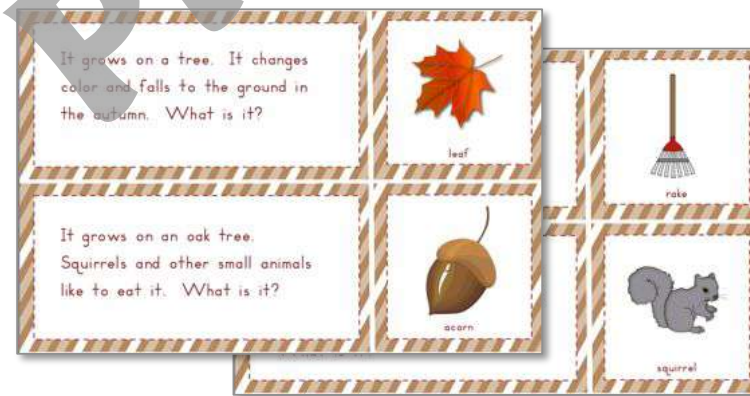
Extension: Make a little emergent reader booklet by coloring and cutting out the pictures.

Activity 2: Sorting by Size



Laminate and cut out the cards. Sort into three columns by size. You may want to use felt mats instead of columns. Two sets of labels are provided: Large-Medium-Small, Big-Medium-Little

Activity 3: Oral Language Development The Question Game



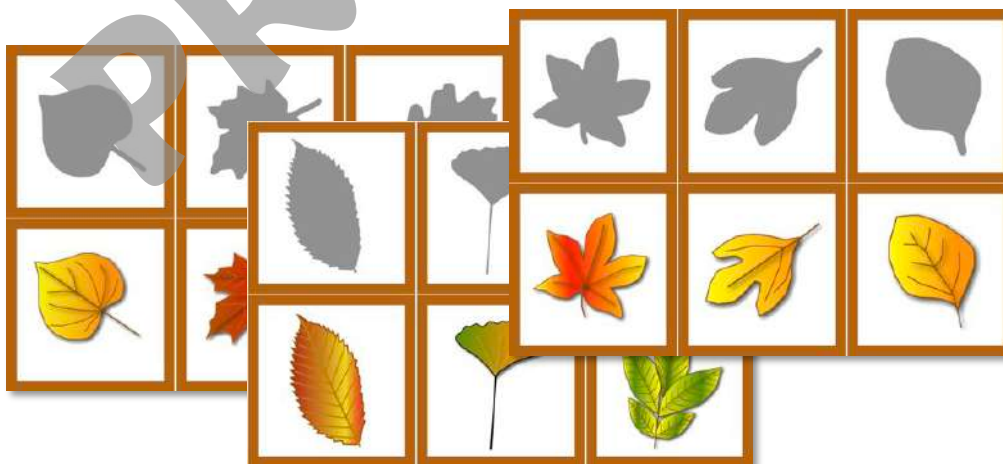
Laminate and cut the cards. Distribute the pictures among a small group of children. Name each picture and talk about it together. Draw a question card and let the children use the clues to identify the correct picture.

Activity 4: Oral Language Development Following Directions



This is fun to play with a small group of children. This is a great game to help children with comprehension and following a sequence of steps. This set has three levels of difficulty- ranging from 1-step directions to 3-step directions.

Activity 5: Visual Matching - Shadows



This is a simple matching activity. I like to use these to emphasize the layout procedure, focusing on left to right and top to bottom formatting. Separate the colored cards from the shadow cards. It is fun to look at the shadow cards first and see if you can figure out what it is without looking at the colored picture! Place the shadow cards in a line along the top of a rug or table, starting from the left. Pick up a random colored card and place below the first colored card. Does it match? If yes, leave it there. If not, slide it to the right, below the next card. Does it match? Continue on. The process of lining up the cards and sliding from left to right helps prepare the child for later reading activities.

Activity 6: Categories



Laminate and cut apart the photograph cards. Sort onto the correct mats.

Activity 7: Where are the Leaves? A Prepositions Game



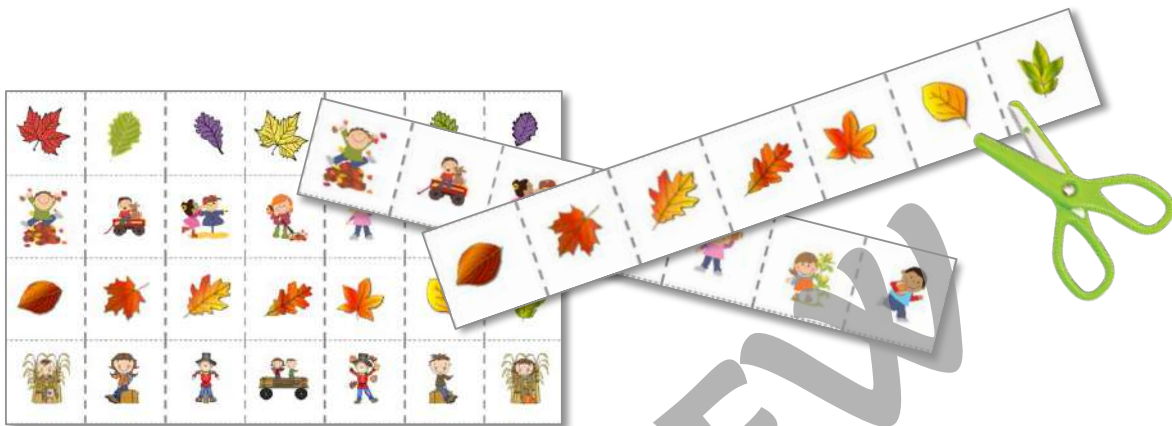
Print, laminate and cut. Line up the picture cards along the bottom of the rug or table, or distribute among a group of students. Read one of the labels. Child finds the correct picture card to go with the label. Put picture and label at the top of the rug or table.

Extension: Make an emergent reader booklet.

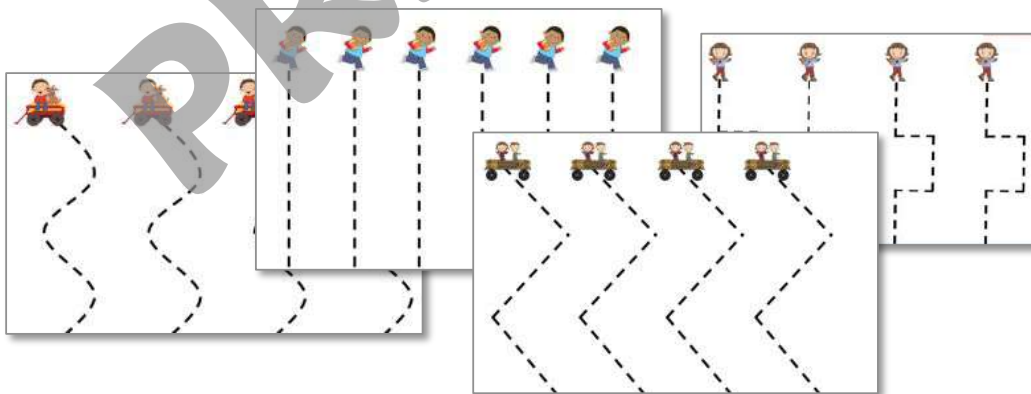


Activity 8: Cutting

Print on paper in color or grayscale, as desired.

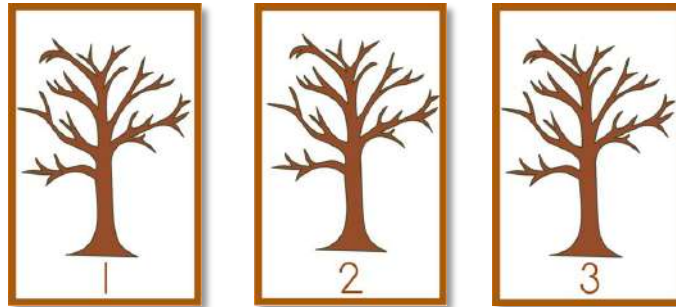


1. Cutting strips: prepare by cutting into strips. Show child how to cut on the dashed lines. This is a beginning cutting activity and is good for students who are just learning how to handle scissors. The child will be motivated to avoid cutting up the picture and will attempt to stay on the line. The lines are short and do not require multiple cuts. (Tip: an introductory cutting exercise is to provide strips of colored construction paper with no lines for the child to cut)



2. Fall Tracks: 4 different types of "tracks" are provided: straight lines, curvy lines, zigzags, and blocks. Each type has two difficulty levels. These can easily be printed in greyscale on colored paper to save on ink.

Activity 9: 0-10 Number Cards



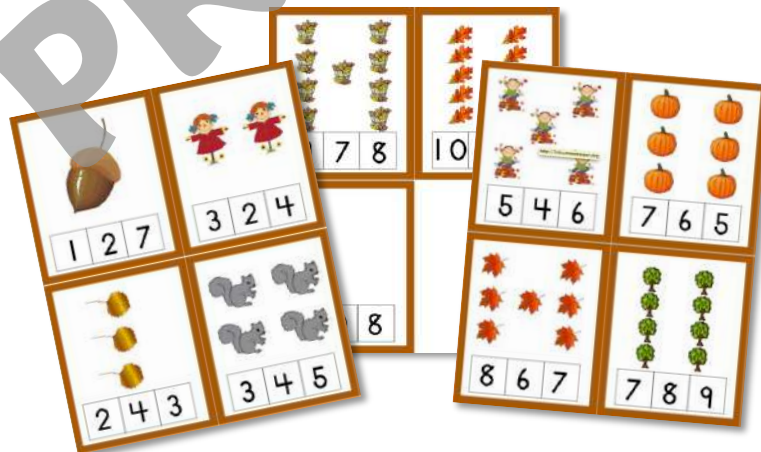
These 0-10 number cards can be used for a variety of counting activities. If you plan to use them like the Montessori Numbers and Counters activity, you may want to try the following ideas for counters:

- silk leaves
- paper leaves

Blank cards have also been provided if you would like to make your own cards. These are great for calendar numbers too!

Instructions for the Montessori Numbers and Counters Activity can be found here:
<http://youtu.be/qvFuUwvFf9Y>

Activity 10: Number Clip Cards



Laminate and cut the cards. Use clothespins to clip the correct number. You may want to make this a write-and-wipe activity and have the child circle the correct number with a dry-erase or washable marker. The numbers printed on each card are consecutive numbers for the most part to provide a little bit of challenge. Place a color coding dot on the back, just behind the correct number, for self checking. Alternatively, adjust your printer settings and print out a miniature copy of this set to make control cards. Circle the correct number on your control cards before laminating.

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