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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 __ 12 What happened to 11?

Is it in the magician's hat? Maybe it's in the mailbox or hiding in the jack-o'-lantern? Don't forget to look in the barnyard where the hen awaits the arrival of her new little chicks. Could that be where eleven went? Eve Merriam and Bernie Karlin take young readers on a counting adventure as they demonstrate twelve witty and imaginative ways to get to eleven.

12 Ways to Get to 11 Details

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Los Gatos Library says

Books that only count to ten, look out. This book is all about eleven. It's a counting book that really starts to become a book about simple addition. In twelve different scenarios, objects are grouped and counted to make eleven. Nine pinecones and two acorns make eleven. Three turtles, two frogs, one lily pad, and five dragonflies make eleven. Seven letters, two packages, a mail order catalog and a postcard make eleven. Each page has bold dark text and one sentence. Karlins brightly colored cut paper and colored pencil illustrations are set against clean white backgrounds. This book would be great for the oldest kids in our age group. Finding the objects and counting them has a bit of a "Where's Waldo" feel to it, and most four year olds have counting to ten mastered, and they are ready to move on. This book would work well in a storytime about counting, with harder counting books, like "How Many Snails," described above. We always count at all of our storytimes, and I always introduce counting by asking the kids how many fingers they think they brought with them on any given day. One four year old always delights in shouting "Eleven!" (He has ten fingers, I've checked. He just likes to shout "Eleven!") This is a book for him. After the program, I'd have the kids draw eleven of something.

Adalyn McCarty says

This book is great for introducing addition into the classroom, it would work best for the lower levels such as k-2. It's designed with great illustrations so it they can't quit add yet at least they have illustrations to follow along with. It gives the kids a way to think outside of the box with numbers and introducing math with a fun picture will hopefully make it more enjoyable for the student.

Shani Cooper says

This book describes different number combinations and introduces an important addition skill. It shows students that there are several ways to add two numbers whose sum equal 11. After reading this story, students could play How Many More to Make 10? a game introduced by my professor Dr. Smith. Students take turns rolls a number block and identifying which number needs to be added to the number they rolled to equal 10. The student covers that number on the board. The first person to cover their entire board wins.

Jennifer Kim says

This is an okay tool to have in a classroom to help students learn a mathematical concept. This book goes into several different ways that the reader could get to 11. This book would be a great anchor/springboard to get a classroom discussion started and to also work off of. This book also reviews the students' skill of decomposing. The concept of counting and the bright illustrations make this book a good addition to have in the classroom library.

Sadie Devin says

I think this is a great book for young students who have learned counting and are starting to work on adding. Even if they can not fully add numbers, this book uses visuals to show different ways you can come up with the number eleven. I really like this book because it shows getting eleven by adding two things (such as pinecones and acorns) as well as adding multiple things to get the sum of eleven. This is great for introducing how addition works with visuals that match the text. As a teacher, you could make many lessons from this book, or use it for a class activity.

Isabel Hernandez says

I find 12 Ways to Get to 11 to be a very useful tool for the classroom. This book is full of math facts that teach the children how to get to the number 11 in different ways. This is a good springboard for more discussion and work for different combinations of numbers. I can think of reading this book to my students and doing a small group activity where they can come up with their own number stories and make the facts work in different ways. This book provides a good alternative way of thinking about addition.

Jennifer says

Counting 3

I liked that this book showed multiple things on each page to help the reader get to eleven. It has a very interesting title. This book would be good for teaching about addition, especially if you want to teach about adding more than two different items. We could use it to create story problems. I liked this book.

Interest Level <http://www.scholastic.com/teachers/books/12-ways-to-get-to-11>...

Grades K - 2

Reading Level

Grade level Equivalent: 1.9

Lexile® Measure: AD60L

DRA: 18

Guided Reading: K

Jose says

'12 Ways to Get to 11' is a pleasing book to read to show the multiple ways to add up to 11. I enjoyed reading throughout this book, because it had me predicting what ways could be added to 11. The illustrations throughout the book were colorful and beautiful. When children read this book, they will be continually counting how many items are on each page that could add up to 11. This book is a great read to demonstrate to children how to count numbers.

Cheryl says

Cute, but could be confusing, too challenging, for what seems to be the intended audience. However, if you've got a budding smart-aleck on your hands, toss 'em this and see what they say.

Sue Pak says

I did not really like this book. It was all about decomposing things (or you can see it as addition as well) to get the number 11.

I would not really use this book for a lesson, because I feel like there is not a consistency in the way they are decomposing these numbers. I think it could confuse children in a way.

This is a math book however, and I'm sure there are people who may find this book useful.

Caroline says

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Illustrated by: Bernie Karlin

Aladdin Books

Where's the math: This brightly illustrated book begins with counting using words and symbolic numbers (one, two, three, four, five, etc). It skips number 11, and asks: "Where's eleven?"

Each of the pages shows eleven different items centered around a different theme for each page - i.e. different things found at the circus, a house on eleventh street, a jack o lantern with a nose, eyes, teeth, a pig w/piglets, and sets of twins and triplets that add up to the number eleven. Each of the pages shows how eleven can be broken up into different numbers – showing the decomposition of numbers.

Genre: Concept/picture book

Theme/keywords: Genre: Concept/Picture Book

Theme/Keywords: Numbers, Counting, Addition

Features of print: Cut paper/colored pencil illustrations

Features of Print: Bold, large

Cultural Considerations: Shows a variety of multiethnic characters (i.e. the different sets of twins and triplets)

Open-ended questions: Can we count to a different number using things in our classroom?

Meredith says

12 Ways to Get to 11 is unique among counting book. First, unlike the typical counting book, the reader counts past ten. Second, the reader not only counts eleven objects on every page rather than counting 1 on the first page, 2 on the second page, 3 on the third page, etc . . . And third, rather than being homogeneous, the groups of 11 are made up of different objects such as 9 pinecones and 2 acorns, a sow and 10 piglets, and 3 turtles, 2 frogs, 1 lily pad, and 5 dragonflies.

Amanda says

Very charming counting book for thinking creatively to get to 11!

babyhippoface says

Simple picture book demonstrating how different numbers all add up to 11. Page one: 9 pinecones and 2 acorns. Page two: 6 peanuts and 5 pieces of popcorn. Page three: 4 banners, 5 rabbits, 1 pitcher and 1 bouquet of flowers. Get the picture?

Janet says

The illustrations are good for a very young child, the counting which is actually addition on many pages is not. In the beginning a child would need to know about adding several different items to get the sum, in other illustrations, it is merely counting like objects as in eleven piglets. Confusing presentation of a math concept of something once called long addition with merely counting objects, some of which are the same and some to reach eleven are different objects making a whole as is the boat example.
