

Year 2 Maths Toolkit Activities

Activity 1 - Measuring lengths using paperclips

Activity Approach

- Group work

Resources

- Activity Sheet 2.1
- Plasticine / play dough
- Paperclips

Instructions

- The pupils will be divided into groups and given plasticine and paperclips.
- Using plasticine the children will make a long snake.
- Take it in turns to measure the length of their snake using the paperclips.
- Record the length of each snake.
- The group will compare the results.
- The pupils will write the lengths in order starting from the shorter to the longer snake.

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Activity 2 – Estimating and measuring length.

Activity Approach

- Whole class

Resources

- A big sheet of paper
- Pegs
- Marker/pencil

Instructions

- Lay out the sheet of paper on the floor.
- One of the pupils lay down on the sheet of paper.
- The teacher draws the outline of the pupil lying down on the sheet.
- The pupils have to guess the number of pegs needed to measure the height of the pupil.
- The children measure the height of the outline using the pegs given.
- The teacher puts the sheet of paper on display.
- The pupils take it in turns to compare their own height with the one on display.