

Suggested Songs for Teaching Place Value

Columns

Math Song for Teaching Columns: Ones, Tens, Hundreds

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Columns

One little, two little, three little columns

One little, two little, three little columns

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This Is what they are:

Ones', tens', and hundreds' columns

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This Is what they do:

The ones' column counts the single digits.....

.....

The tens' column counts the double digits.....

.....

"All right! Let's count in the columns!"

**Zero, one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight,
And nine.**

**Tens, twenties, thirties, forties, fifties, sixties,
Seventies, eighties, and nineties.**

**One hundreds, two hundreds, three hundreds,
Four hundreds, five hundreds, six hundreds,
Seven hundreds, eight hundreds, and nine hundreds!**

ROCKIN' THE STANDARDS

Math

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The Place Value Rap

Music by Ben Jacobs, Lyrics by Tim Bedley

The digits, the digits, they each have a name
Memorize 'em, Understand 'em is the game
We start at the decimal, to the left we move
Each place is 10 times bigger, multiply 'em and we prove
The digits, the digits, they fit in so tight
Greater to the left and lesser to the right
Starting at the decimal, sandwiched in between
Zeroes hold the empty places, haven't you seen?
The digits, the digits, each one means a lot
You can't leave 'em out of the place value spot
Reading big numbers each comma's a word
"Thousand, Million, Billion," commas, haven't you heard? Word!
Ones, Tens, Hundreds, Comma
Thousands, Ten Thousands, Hundred Thousands, Comma
Millions, Ten Millions, Hundred Millions, Comma
Billions, Ten Billions, Hundred Billions, Comma

www.mathwire.com/music/music.html

Ten Tens (tens)

(chorus) Ten tens are a hundred,
And each ten has a name.
Ten, twenty, thirty, forty, fifty.
The order's always the same.

I dump out all my pennies
And pile them up by ten.
Each time I get to a hundred.
I have a dollar again.

(chorus)

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B. Place Value Song (Tune: Are You Sleeping)

Verse 1 Place Value, Place Value
 Place Value, Place Value
 Fun, Fun, Fun
 Fun, Fun, Fun
 3 digits equals
 3 digits equals
 hundreds, tens, & ones
 hundreds, tens, & ones

Verse 2: same for the first 4 lines above, the last lines go
 2 digits equals
 2 digits equals
 Tens and ones
 Tens and ones

Verse 3: same for the first 4 lines, the last lines go
 1 digit equals
 1 digit equals
 only ones
 only ones

Counting Song – Add on One

Add on One: Students might enjoy singing a variant of "Old MacDonald Had a Farm." Have them start with "one" for the first animal and increase the number each time they add a new animal. For example, on his farm he had one chick, then in the next verse... two ducks, then, ... three pigs, ... four cows, and so forth. After each verse, have them stop and figure out how many animals Old MacDonald had altogether.

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Additional Music and Math Teaching Sites

www.havefunteaching.com/math-songs

www.twinsisters.com Counting Workbook/CD Set Product Code: TW368CD

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in making the utmost use
of the powers and opportunities we
have,
and contentment in the lot to which
Heaven assigns us.**

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