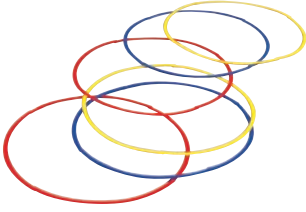


Glossary of Manipulatives

	Attribute Blocks The Attribute Blocks set includes five basic shapes (triangle, square, rectangle, circle, and hexagon) displaying different attributes. The basic shapes come in three different colors, two different sizes, and two different thicknesses. Attribute Blocks can be used to teach sorting, patterns, and identifying attributes.
	Attribute Sorting Circles These collapsible circles can be used to teach beginning algebraic thinking by having children sort objects into sets. They also can be used for classifying geometric shapes by attribute.
	Classifying Counters Children use these self-standing, plastic objects to build and reinforce counting, logic, and attribute skills. People, dogs, cars, houses, and trees come in 10 different colors.
	1" Color Cubes These multicolored 1" cubes can be used to teach sorting, counting, and understanding patterns. They are also ideal for introducing young children to measurement of length, width, area, and volume.
	Color Tiles 1" square tiles come in four different colors. They can be used to explore many mathematical concepts, including geometry, patterns, and number sense.
	CounTEN® Sorting Tray An egg-carton shaped ten-frame tray used for building basic numeracy and for sorting activities.

	Frog Counters These 2" fun, soft, rubber frog counters can be used for counting and sorting activities. They come in five fun shapes in six bright colors.
	Link 'N' Learn® Links Multicolored links are large and easy for children to interlock. Link chains can be used to explore concepts such as number sense and operations. Use links to teach counting, addition, and subtraction. Links also can be used to explore measuring with nonstandard units.
	Pattern Blocks Blocks include six shapes in six different colors: yellow hexagon, red trapezoid, orange square, green triangle, blue parallelogram (rhombus), and tan rhombus. Each side length is calibrated so that pieces fit together. They can be used to teach concepts from all strands of mathematics. Blocks illustrate algebraic concepts such as patterning and sorting. Children learn geometry and measurement concepts such as symmetry, transformations, and area. Blocks also can be used to show number concepts such as counting and fractions.
	Snap Cubes® Each side of a Snap Cube can be connected to another cube. Cubes can be used to teach a variety of different math concepts. Use cubes to explore number sense and operations with activities involving counting, place value, addition, and subtraction. Or use cubes to show measuring using nonstandard units. Cubes also can be used to demonstrate patterning and basic geometry.
	Three Bear Family® Counters Bear counters come in three different sizes and weights—Baby Bear™ (4 grams), Mama Bear™ (8 grams), and Papa Bear™ (12 grams). Bear counters can be used to teach abstract concepts involving number sense and operations by allowing children to act them out. Use bears to explore sorting and comparing sets, counting, estimating, addition and subtraction, and sequencing. Bears can be used to experiment with measuring mass, or to teach patterning concepts and early algebra.

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