

Number words to thirty introduction



1 Say it, then see it — twenty-one to thirty

Show the written word “twenty-one.” Say it. Point to the “twenty” part and say it, then the “one” part, then the whole word again. Match spoken word to written word — no numerals yet.

“This word says twenty-one. See ‘twenty’ at the start, then ‘one’ at the end — together, twenty-one.”

Show several — twenty-two through twenty-five. They all start with “twenty”; only the ones word changes.

“They all start with ‘twenty.’ What changes each time? The ones word — two, three, four.”

Point out the hyphen — twenty-one to twenty-nine are two parts joined by a little line.

“Twenty — hyphen — three. Two parts, joined with a little line.”

Introduce thirty separately — a new word for a new decade. Contrast it with thirteen: thirty ends in t-y, thirteen ends in t-e-e-n.

“Thirty — a new word for a new decade. Careful: thirty ends in t-y; thirteen ends in t-e-e-n.”

Match the word to the numeral — show word cards and numeral cards and match them; use a word strip to find a number you say.

“Find the word that says the same as this numeral. Which part of the word helped you find it?”

Number words to thirty — word cards (display)

Print on A4 landscape (enlarge to A3). Show each word, say it, and point to the two parts — the 'twenty' and the ones word. Thirty is a new word for a new decade.



twenty-one

twenty-two

twenty-three

twenty-four

twenty-five

twenty-six

twenty-seven

twenty-eight

twenty-nine

thirty