

Grouping according to group size activities

1 Deal into groups of a fixed size

There are 10 lollies. Give 2 to each person. Children deal the lollies out two at a time, making a new group each time.

"Deal out your ten lollies, two at a time. Make a new group each time you run out."

"How many groups did you make?"

2 Answer the question in context

There are 16 balloons. Give each table 4 balloons. How many tables are needed? Children solve it by grouping.

"How many go in each group here?"

"How many groups does that make altogether?"

3 Check every object has a group

There are 12 coins, 3 in each group. Children check their finished grouping by confirming no coins were left ungrouped.

"Count all your groups' coins together. Does it match twelve?"

"Are there any coins left that still need a group?"

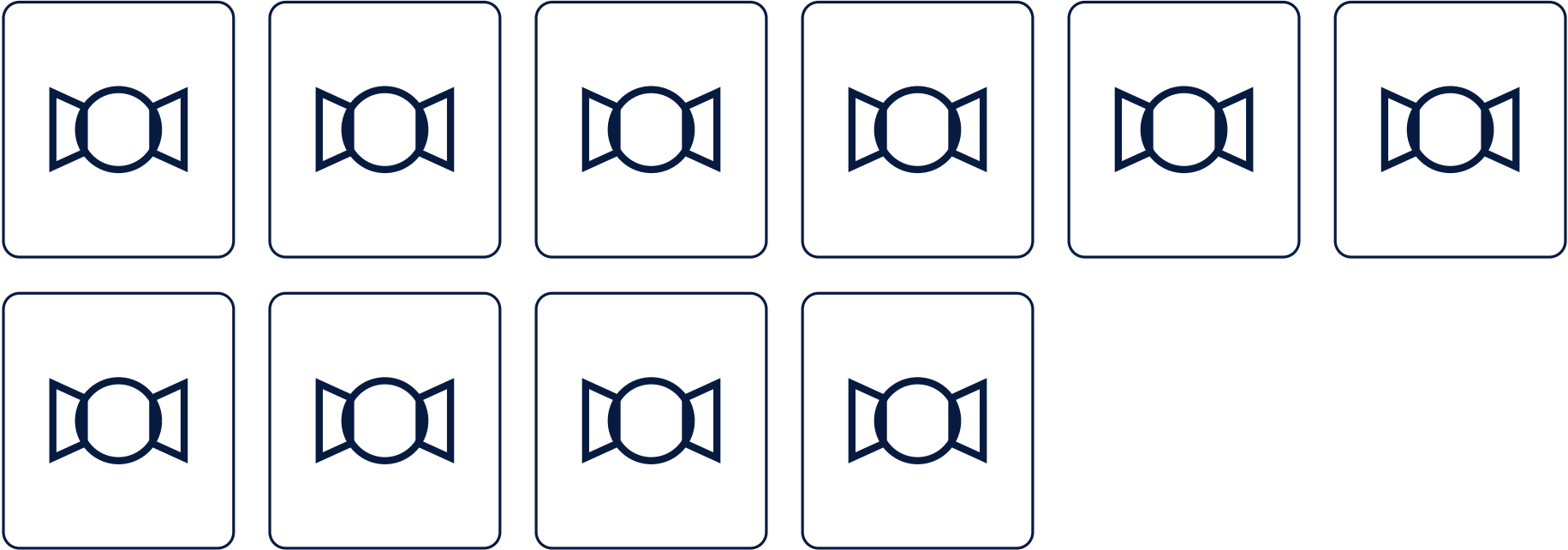
4 Non-example: stopping too early

There are 9 basketballs, meant to be grouped by 3. Someone makes two groups of three, leaving three basketballs ungrouped.

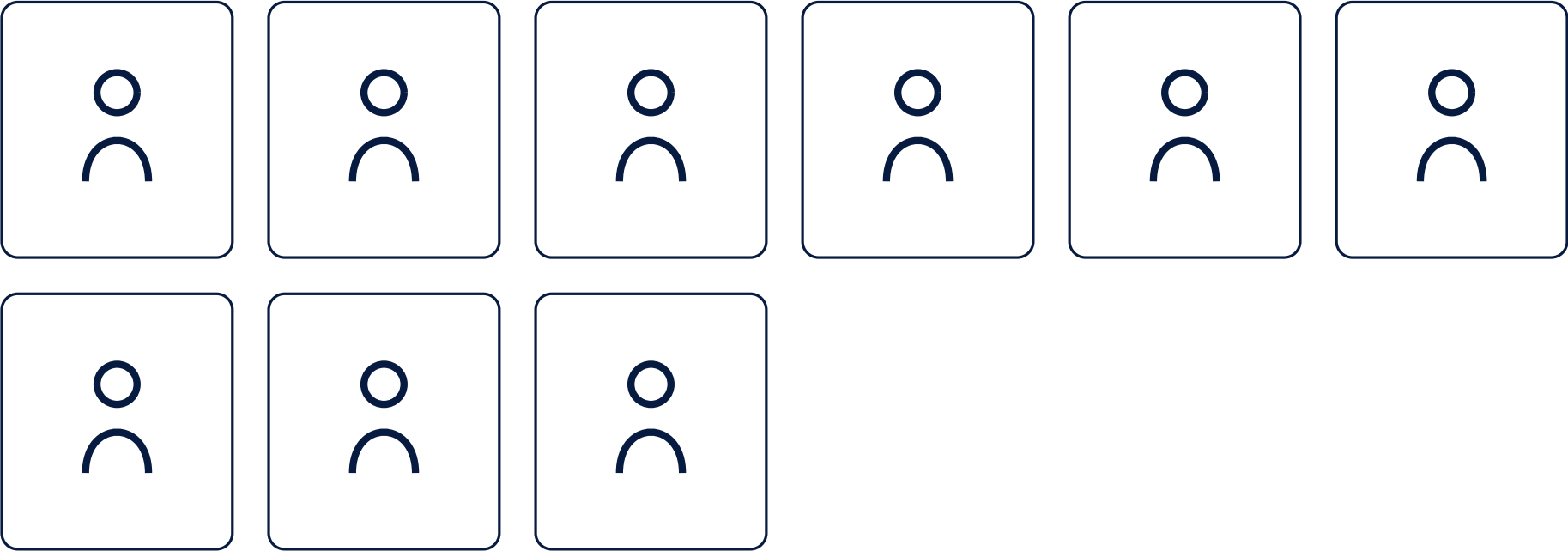
"Are there any objects left over?"

"How many groups should there really be?"

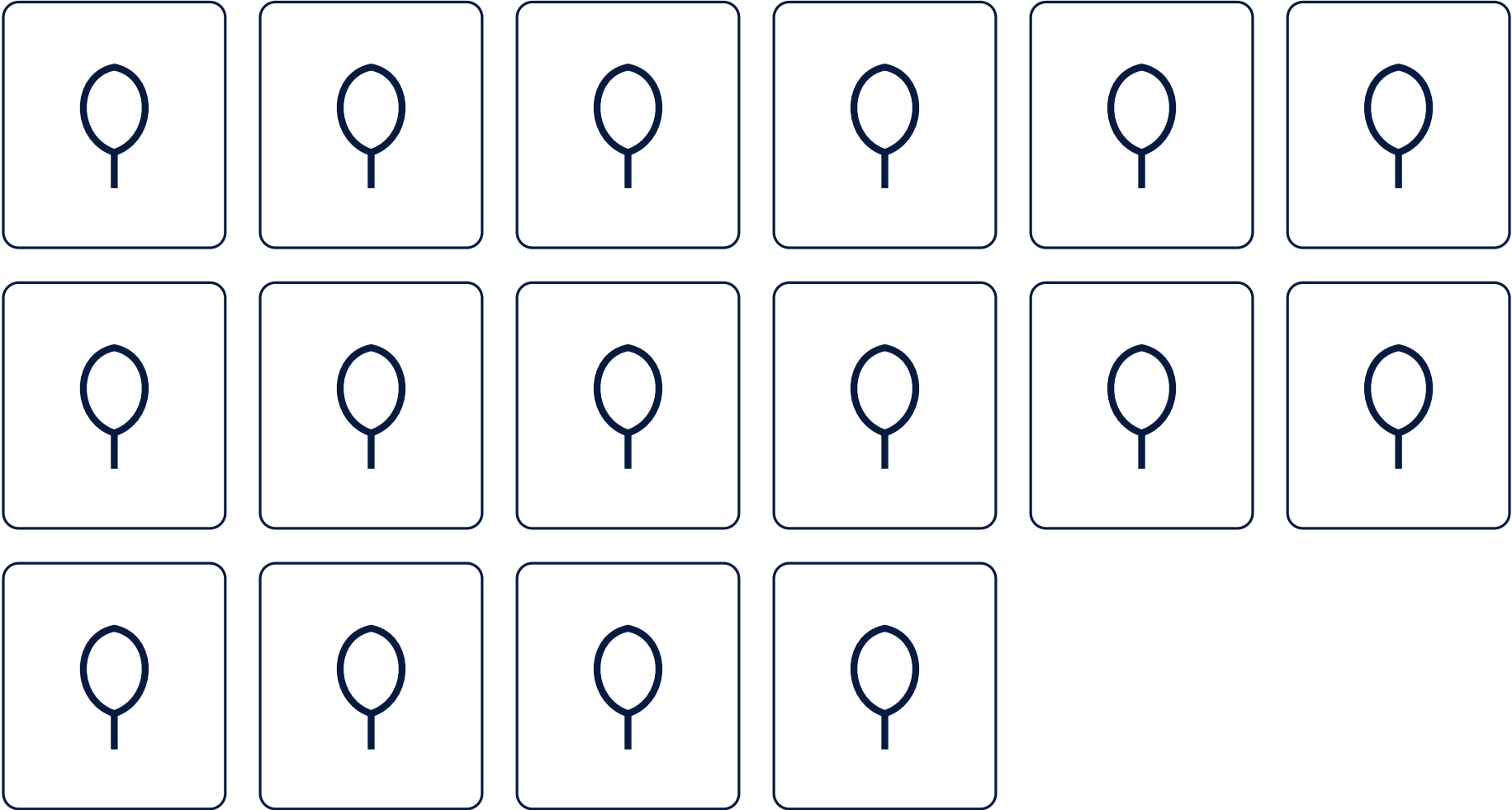
Cards — Lollies (10 needed)



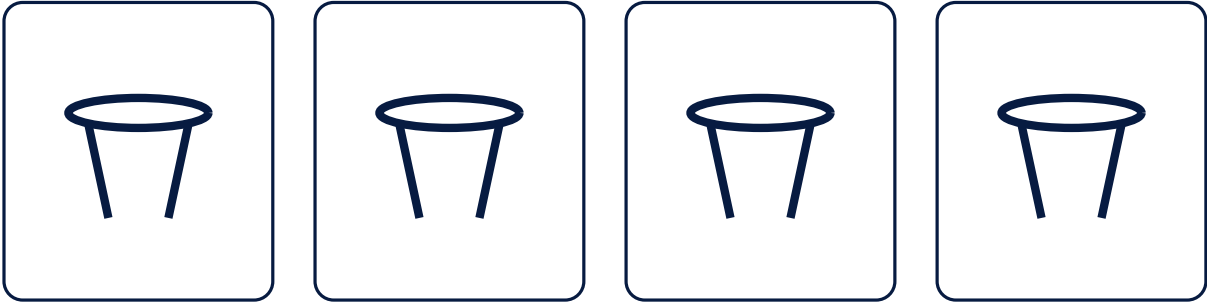
Cards — People (9 needed)



Cards — Balloons (16 needed)



Cards — Tables (4 needed)



Cards — Coins (12 needed)

