

# Ladder Game

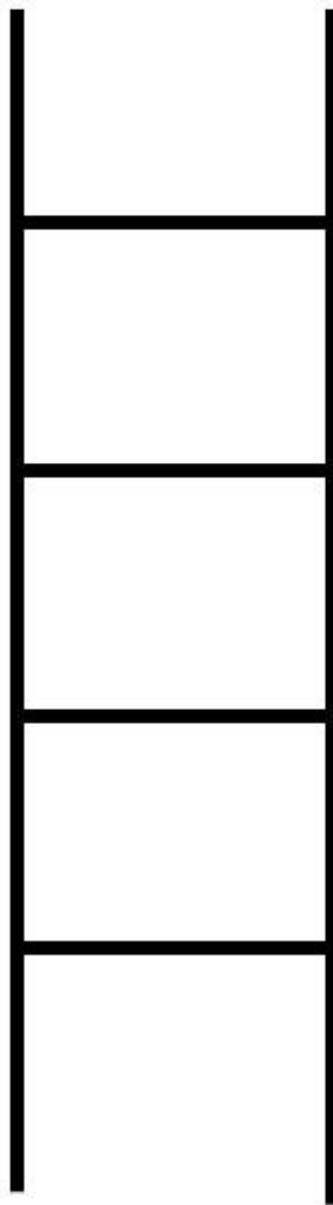
**Skill to be learnt:** To read and write numbers from 0-20 and beyond. Use knowledge of place value (number size) to put numbers on a number line.

**What you will need:** 0 – 20 number cards, ladder board.

**How to play:** Shuffle cards and place in a pile, face down. Players take it in turns to turn over a card. Both players decide where to write the number on their ladder board. Once a number is placed it cannot be moved! Keep going until 5 cards have been turned over. The aim is to place all the numbers in order. If you can't place one, it must be written in the bin! The winner is the person to write the most numbers in order.

**Talk points:** Talk about the size of the number as it is revealed. Encourage your child to think about whether there would be many numbers before or after the one selected – this can help decide where to place it on the ladder. For example if a 2 is selected talk about the fact that there is only 1 number card smaller than this one so it would be a good idea to put this at the bottom of your ladder. Try and use language such as bigger, smaller, more, less when talking about the numbers.

**Extension of this game:** Use a ladder with space to order 9 numbers. Begin to use less than (<) or greater than (>) symbols when comparing numbers.



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