

Week 4 - Session 8

Learning Objective	To enhance children's understanding of the target word: different and similar
Definitions of Key Terms:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Different: Amounts or numbers that are not the same in number, amount, or value <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Example: Benjamin pointed to the recipe. "Hmm. That's a different number of eggs than the recipe shows. ○ Similar: Amounts or numbers that resemble one another in number, amount, or value, but are not the same <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Example: Lucy got some peanuts. "This is similar, but not the same." 	
Storybook Readings	<i>Just Enough Eggs</i>
Dialogic Reading Questions to Ask	Purple
Guided Play	
Center for Activity	Arts & Creative Expression: Making and decorating a playdough cake
Materials	Cloud dough (made in Session 7), cut pipe cleaners (for candles and/or sprinkles), plastic plates, plastic peanuts, and small cake pans
Introduce the Materials and Link Them to the Books	<p>At the beginning of the play session, describe each of the materials and what they are used for. "Have you ever had a party?" What did you have at your party? Yes, that's right, decorations! Let's work together to set up a party for bear."</p> <p>Briefly prompt the children to retell or review the story with the materials (e.g., "Do you remember in the story we read how Benjamin and Lucy were making a cake for bear? Do you remember the kind of cake they made for bear? That's right peanut cake. Do you like peanuts? Let's see if we can make the same cake as Benjamin and Lucy!")</p>
Scaffolding Tip	Children may need an additional challenge in this activity. Ask the child to make two cakes that are identical.
Examples of Guiding Questions	<p>Allow children to direct play after you introduce the materials and briefly review the story with the materials. Actively engage with children during play with materials by following their lead and asking guiding questions using math language terms. Both close- and open-ended questions should be used.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Close-ended questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ "You have four dough balls and I have two. Is your amount different than mine or are they similar?" ▪ Open-ended questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ "What can I do to my cake to make it different than your cake?" ○ "How are our cakes similar to Benjamin and Lucy's?"