

Spindle Box — Introduction (0-4)

Base Sheet

Activity Sheet

Introduction to the spindle box. The child places the correct number of spindles into compartments labeled 0-4, learning about quantity and the concept of zero.

What You Need:

- Spindle box (0-9)
- 45 spindles
- Rubber bands (optional)
- Basket for spindles

Steps:

1. Present the spindle box with compartments 0-4.
2. Point to '0': 'Zero means nothing — no spindles go here.' Leave it empty.
3. Point to '1': 'One.' Place 1 spindle. Bind with rubber band.
4. Continue through 4.
5. Emphasize: '0 means none. The compartment stays empty.'
6. Child practices independently.

Work Space:



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