

What do they need?

What children should learn

Mathematics – to develop an understanding of one-to-one correspondence.

What you need

Ten multi-cultural dolls; ten small teddies; ten nappies; ten bottles; ten babygros; magazine pictures of people.

Activity

Cut out pictures from magazines to represent the mummies and daddies from four families. Pretend that ten new babies have been born into these families – a single baby to one family, twins, triplets and quads to the other three families. Set out the dolls next to the pinned-up pictures of the parents in groups of one, two, three and four. Can the children sort the correct number of nappies, bottles, babygros and teddies to each family group?

Extension

Make a chart showing the number of bottles, nappies, teddies and babygros needed by each family.

Talk about

Discuss the needs of a new baby in terms of how many bottles and babygros she will require. Compare with the quantities of clothes, toys, etc needed by the children in the class.

