

Jump Your Number



You will need

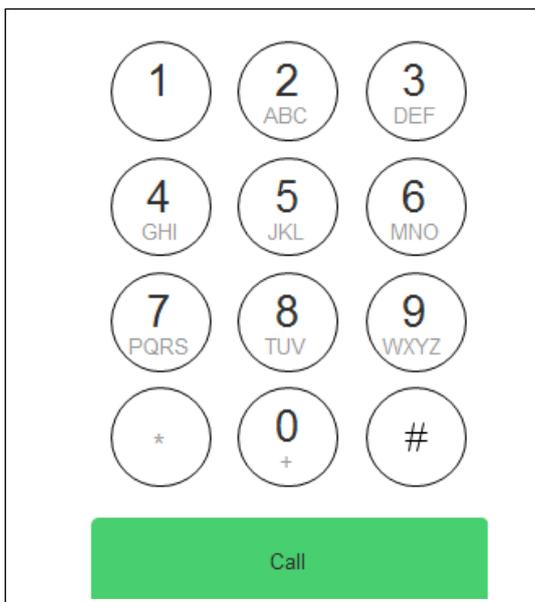
- Paper
- Pens or Pencils
- Chalk

Before you begin

Think about why it's important to know your phone number. Reasons might include needing to call home to tell someone they've forgotten something or that they're running late.

Have a go

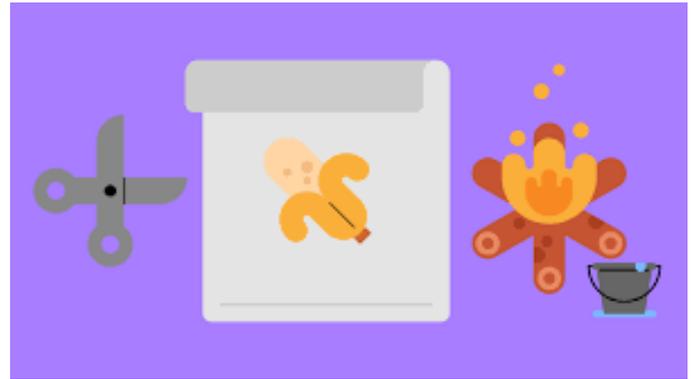
1. Draw a phone keypad onto the pavement or patio with chalk (make sure that your parents agree for you to do this).
2. Make the keypad big enough to allow you to jump from number to number.



3. Firstly "jump out" your home phone number and then "jump out" phone numbers that are important to you. Your parents mobile number, the numbers of other family members are also important to learn.

Additional Information

It could help to call the numbers out loud as you jump or call them to the tune of a favourite song is a trick to help you to memorise important telephone numbers.



Reflection

This activity help you to realise the importance of learning key phone numbers – especially for times when you don't have a mobile phone with you or if your phone is out of action.

- Did you know all the phone numbers before you completed this activity – or have you learnt numbers new to you?
- Did you find it easier to remember the numbers by "jumping it" – if so why?

People use different techniques to remember things and this activity uses a technique which creates a pattern from the phone number as you jump around the keypad.



You can also use the chalk to make a game of Hop-Scotch !

Safety

Phones and Cameras - Make sure you do not give your telephone number to strangers or post it on social media sites (if you use them).

Make sure an adult knows you are using the phone.

All Activities are taken from the Scout Association's Great IN Doors programme.