

Beehive Activity – 3

1. Hand out one hive to each student (each will have a different number, you may want to ensure that less able students initially receive smaller numbers)
2. Say (to each student in turn):
 - ***What number do you have on your hive?***
 - ***I'm going to put (state the number) of bees in your hive***

Show the small collection of bees to the student, and then place them under the hive.
 - ***How many more bees do you need to make your number?***

You may need to repeat how many bees are already 'in' the hive and encourage the students to 'count-on' from this number.

If it is still too difficult, you may need to reveal the hidden bees and then encourage the student to 'count-on'.
3. When student states how many bees they need, say:
 - ***Get (number) bees and get the bees from under the hive and check to see if you are right.***
4. Say (to all):
 - ***Do you all agree?***
5. If there is disagreement, perhaps get all students to count on from the first number as bees are added to get the correct answer.
6. Say (to all):
 - ***So, (first number) plus (second number) equals (number on the hive) - eg "three plus five equals eight".***