

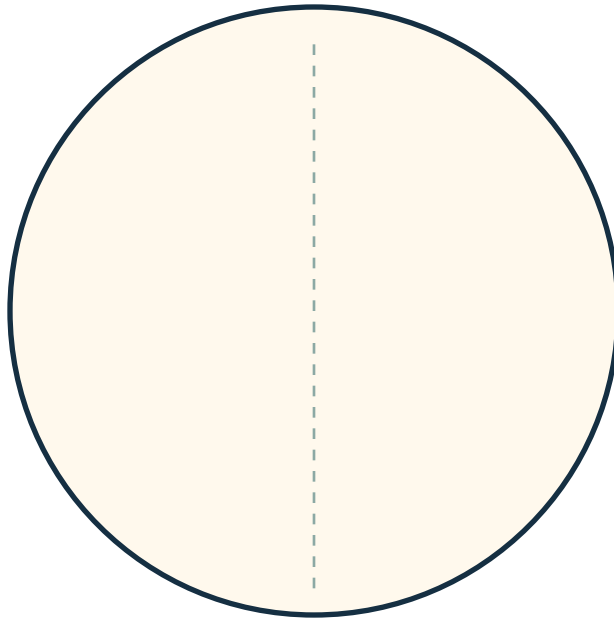
Count first.

Keep the cookie whole.

Inspired by Ten Chips Exactly by Philip Cowherd.

Ages 4-7 with a grown-up | Paper and two colors | No book required

- 1 Draw exactly ten chocolate chips inside the cookie. Use one color on each side of the dotted line.



- 2 Count the chips on each side.

$$\boxed{} + \boxed{} = 10$$

- 3 Check gently. Point once to each chip as you count. Keep your paper cookie whole.

- 4 Ten chips? Pretend to bake it!

Tell someone how you checked.

Plan before you count.

Pip and Lou break cookies to check the chips. Their numbers are right, but their cookies are crumbs. Try a plan that keeps the cookie whole.

Ask one useful question first

"What are we trying to make?"

Agree on the goal: a whole paper cookie with ten chips. Then choose how to check it without tearing the paper.

Make ten another way

Use the boxes as a counting space. Draw one dot in each box. Color some dots one color and the rest a second color.

Examples: $5 + 5 = 10$ $4 + 6 = 10$ $3 + 7 = 10$

Talk about the plan

- What helped you count each chip only once?
- Could you check a different way and get the same answer?
- If you have nine chips, what needs to change? What about eleven?

Try the story: Ten Chips Exactly is a funny rhyming picture book for ages 4-7. Find it and more free reading ideas at Story Crumb Books.

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