

Make-and-Trade Gumnut Bundles (Cut-out Activity)

A hands-on cut-and-make activity for Lesson 1-2 (place value). Students cut out gumnut "ones", ten-bundles, hundred-bags and thousand-baskets, then build and trade numbers. Includes teacher prep notes and a making guide. Printable; works individually or in pairs.



"Let's build numbers with our paws — I mean, our hands!" says Biscuit. Cut out the gumnut pieces, then use them to make big numbers and trade up.

For the teacher. Print one copy per child (or per pair) on card if possible. Children cut along the dotted lines. You'll get: single gumnuts (ones), ten-bundles, hundred-bags and thousand-baskets. Storage tip: a zip bag or envelope per child keeps pieces for the whole unit.

Step 1 — Cut out your pieces

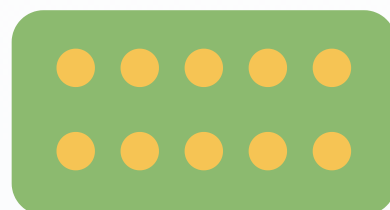
Cut carefully along every dotted line. Keep your pieces in four piles: **ones**, **tens**, **hundreds**, **thousands**.

ONE (1 gumnut)



Make about 12 of these.

TEN (a bundle of 10)



Make about 12 of these.

HUNDRED (a bag of 100)

100

Make about 12 of these.

THOUSAND (a basket of 1000)

1000

Make about 9 of these.

Step 2 — Build these numbers

Lay out your pieces to show each number, then write how many of each you used.

a) 2 thousands, 4 hundreds, 3 tens, 5 ones. What number is it? _____

b) Build **3 608**. How many of each piece? Thousands _____ Hundreds _____ Tens _____ Ones _____

Step 3 — Trade up!

Whenever you have **ten** of one piece, trade them for **one** of the next bigger piece. Ten ones → one ten. Ten tens → one hundred.

c) Start with 15 ones. Trade up. What do you have now? _____

Partner game: Take turns calling a number for your partner to build in under 30 seconds. Check it together. Good trying counts most!

"Now you can build any number with your own paws-full of bundles. Clever you!" — Biscuit