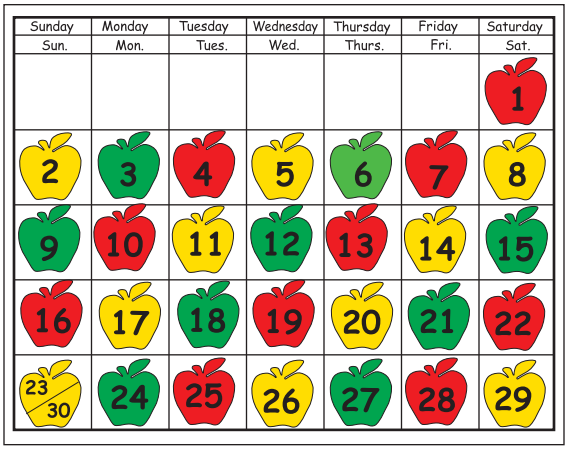
Calendar Cut-Up Ideas... by Susan DeMuth

Question: What is a calendar?
Answer: A giant graph!
Question: What new ways can you use a calendar if you cut it up?

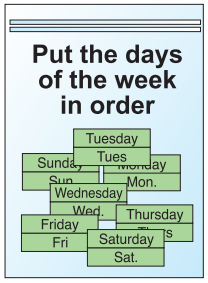


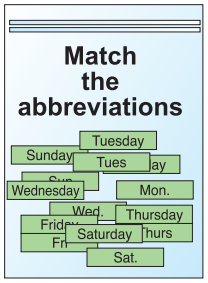
Patterning

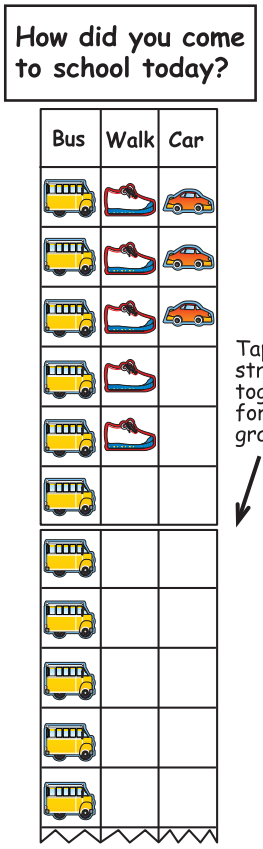
Patterning can be a difficult math concept to teach. It is much easier and a lot of fun to combine patterning and graphing with your daily routine. Many teachers are currently using patterning with daily calendar activities. Let's look at calendars in a whole new way! Make your own patterning boards, charts, graphs and more!

Let's Learn the Days of the Week

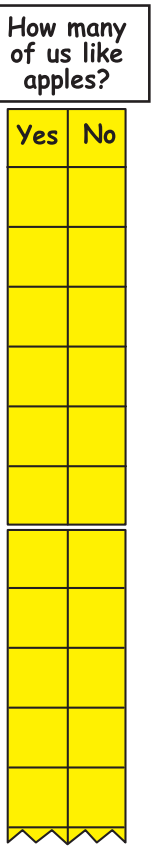
1. Use the top strip to make a game
2. Store in a zip-lock bag







Tape strips together for longer graphs



Graphing Ideas

Make large classroom graphs. Laminate all the components and tape together as many calendars as needed. Depending on class size, two or three will work. Use Velcro™ dots to place the symbols. Vary the questions all year.

Materials:

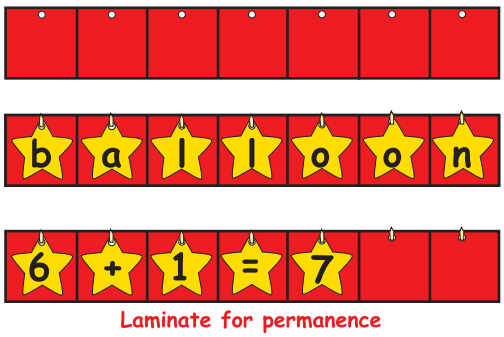
- Calendars
- Scissors
- Hole Punch
- Brass Brads
- Tape
- Markers
- Small Cut-Outs
- Mini notepads
- Zip-lock bags

Optional:

- Laminating Film
- Velcro Dots

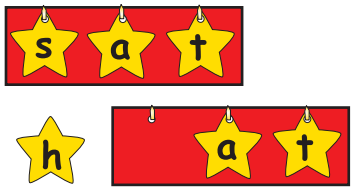
"Hook-Up" Learning Games for Math & Language Easy as 1-2-3

1. Hole punch a calendar strip.
2. Make hooks by bending brass brads as shown.
3. Insert "hook" from backside & secure with tape.



Laminate for permanence

Let's Make "at" Words



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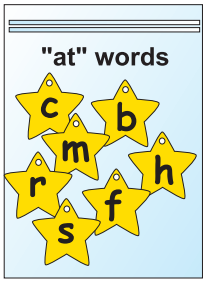

Let's Add & Subtract

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