



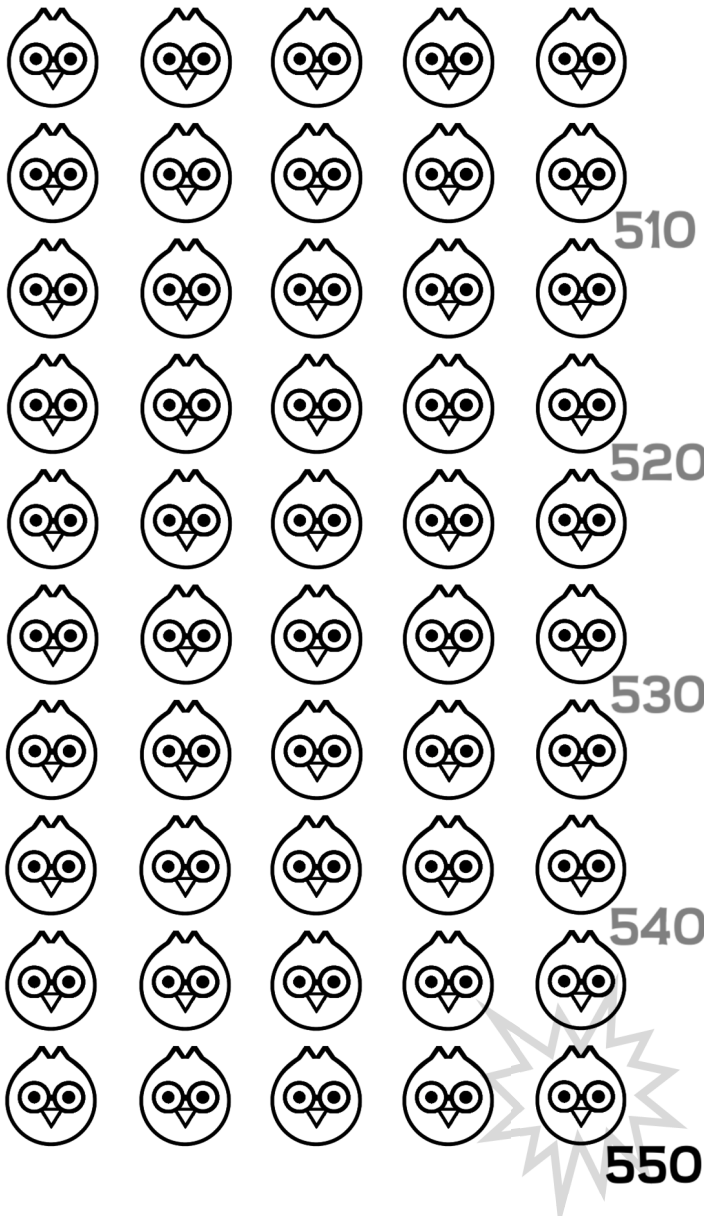
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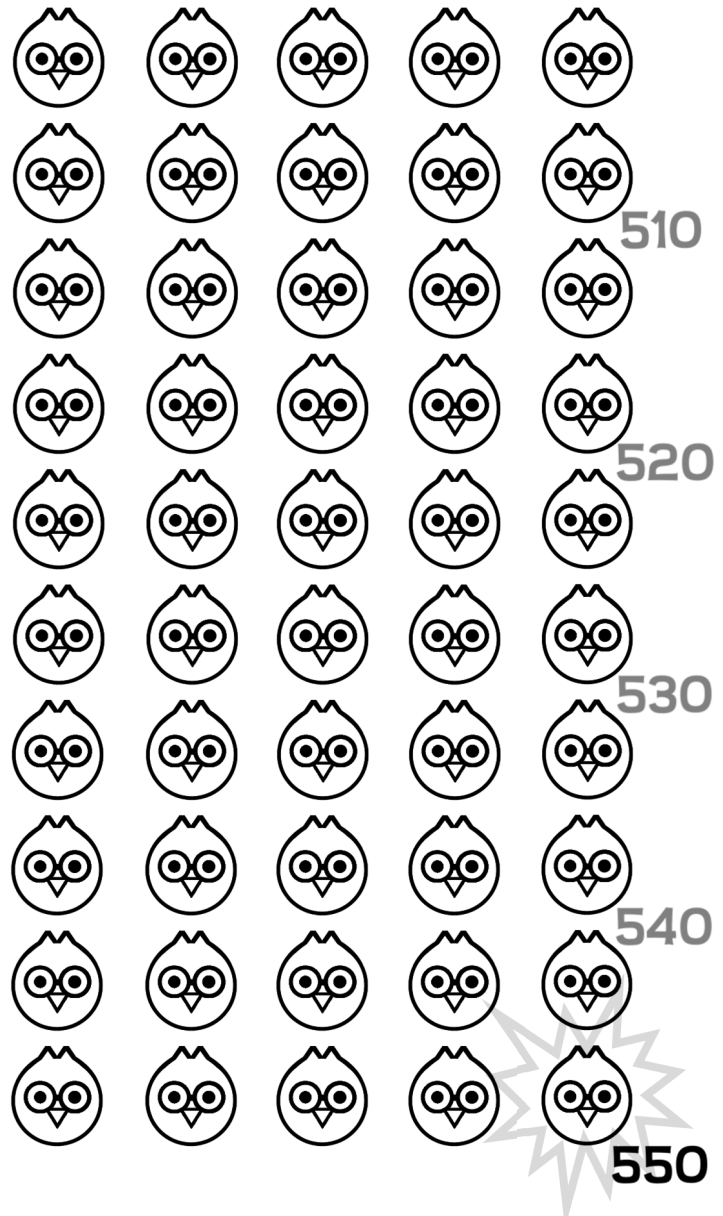
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Baby (0-12 months): As you introduce your baby to simple short words like “cup,” “bowl,” or “spoon,” hold up each object to show that it’s related to your speech. Say rhymes about food or making food.

Pat-a-cake

*Pat-a-cake, pat-a-cake, baker’s man,
Bake me a cake as fast as you can.
Roll, and pat it, and mark it with a “B”
And put it in the oven for Baby and me!*

Toddler (1-3 years): Talk to your child about their food’s texture, taste, or temperature. “Wow, these are crunchy carrots” or “Oh, this drink is so cold!”

Preschooler (3-5 years): Read food labels and packages. Point out the letters. Try teaching your child a food-related tongue twister!

Peter Piper

*Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers;
A peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked;
If Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers,
Where’s the peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked?*

Books about Food

Baby:

My Very First Book of Food by Eric Carle

Toddler:

Growing Vegetable Soup by Lois Ehlert

Preschooler:

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs
by Judi & Ronald Barrett

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