

# Ten Park

Students need to know their partners to 10 in kindergarten but often students at that age aren't ready to memorize two abstract numbers. Ten Park is a way to turn numbers into characters so that students can better remember them.

Each week the teacher chooses one pair to introduce. The teacher puts one Ten Park page up and tells a little story as he or she draws the pair on the park structure.

Ex: *"Two and Eight are best friends. They always play together at Ten Park. They always play on the slide but Two is still afraid to go down! Don't worry, Two, your friend Eight is always there to catch you at the bottom. Class, who is Eight's best friend at Ten Park? Who is Two's best friend?"*

Every day that week, review this pair with the students. Cover one with a post-it and ask students to remember.

## Extensions:

Have them draw the equipment of the week and the number pair.

Print the pages with Ten Frames as black and white and have students make their own booklets of Ten Park to take home.

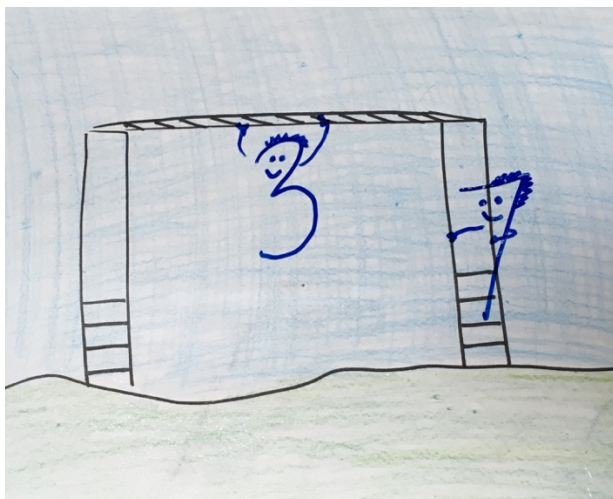
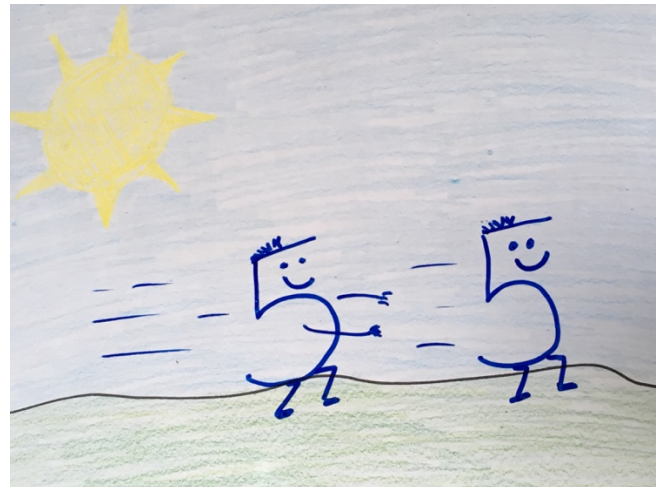
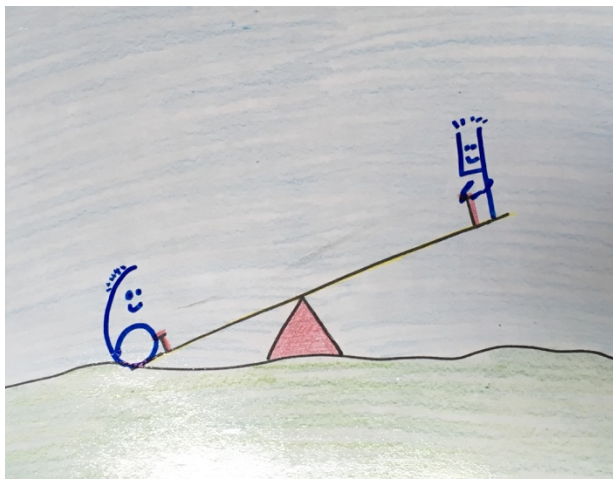
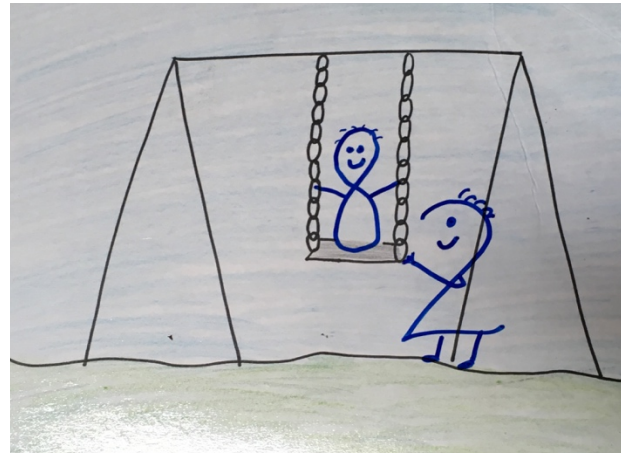
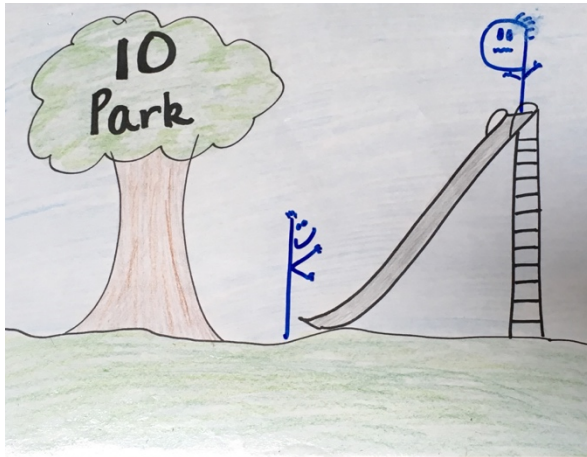
Kindergartners can tell and first grade students can write stories about what the number pair does when they leave Ten Park. Sleepover? Ice Cream Store?

What extensions have you used? Email me at:  
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# Sample Drawings:

(Remember:

it's essential the students see you drawing the figures in front of them!)



Not pictured: 10 and 0