



Numbers

Hello again.

For this lesson we are going to look at numbers.

Numbers in English are split into two groups:

- The cardinal numbers (one, two, three, etc.) refer to the quantity.
- The ordinal numbers (first, second, third, etc.) refer to distribution.

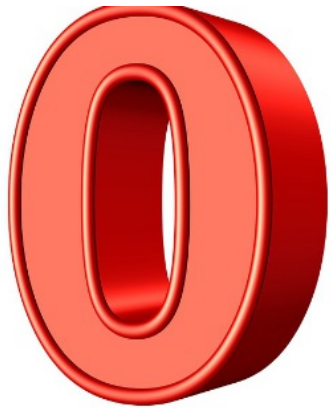
Cardinal numbers:

Number

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10

Cardinal

one
two
three
four
five
six
seven
eight
nine
ten



The number 0

The number 0 is pronounced in a variety of ways as it is used in different contexts.

Unfortunately, usage varies between different English-speaking countries.

These include:

Zero - Used to read the number by itself, in reading decimals, percentages, and phone numbers, and in some fixed expressions.

o (the letter name) -Used to read years, addresses, times and temperatures

nil - Used to report sports scores in games such as football.

nought – Used in the UK but not in the USA.

Ordinal numbers:

When a number ends in a one it is read as a **first. (1st)**

When a number ends in a two it is read as a **second. (2nd)**

When a number ends in a three it is read as **third. (3rd)**

When a number ends in four, five, six, seven, eight, nine or zero it is read as **-th. (4th)**

Ordinal numbers:

Number

1st
2nd
3rd
4th
5th
6th
7th
8th
9th
10th

Ordinal

first
second
third
fourth
fifth
sixth
seventh
eighth
ninth
tenth



first



second



third



fourth



fifth



sixth



seventh



eighth



ninth



tenth

Odds and evens:

Numbers are split yet again into two groups:

Odd numbers and **Even numbers**.

Even numbers are any numbers that are **multiples of two**. (e.g. 2,4,6,8,10)

Odd numbers are numbers that **cannot be divided equally by two**. (e.g. 1,3,5,7,9)



The teens, twenties and up to one hundred:

So we can count from zero to ten but what comes next?

The names of numbers follow some relatively easy patterns.

With ten to twenty most numbers have a teen in their names.

The teens, twenties and up to one hundred:

Number

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

Cardinal

ten

eleven

twelve

thirteen

fourteen

fifteen

sixteen

seventeen

eighteen

nineteen

twenty

Ordinal

tenth

eleventh

twelfth

thirteenth

fourteenth

fifteenth

sixteenth

seventeenth

eighteenth

nineteenth

twentieth

After twenty the numbers follow another pattern.

Each number is named twenty then the number of the second digit is named as it is shown. For example 21 – twenty one. Let's go to thirty:

Number

20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30

Cardinal

twenty
twenty-one
twenty-two
twenty-three
twenty-four
twenty-five
twenty-six
twenty-seven
twenty-eight
twenty-nine
thirty

Ordinal

twentieth
twenty-first
twenty-second
twenty-third
twenty-fourth
twenty-fifth
twenty-sixth
twenty-seventh
twenty-eighth
twenty-ninth
thirtieth

This pattern in the twenty's continues for each set of ten.
So again for (31,32,33,34,35,36,37,38,39) and again for:

Number

40

50

60

70

80

90

Cardinal

forty

fifty

sixty

seventy

eighty

ninety

Ordinal

fortieth

fiftieth

sixtieth

seventieth

eightieth

ninetieth



One hundred:

100- one hundred – one hundredth

When we reach one hundred a new set of rules is applied when naming the number:

This is very easy just follow this rule:

When naming the numbers past one hundred pronounce **one hundred and (the number after)**.

For example:

101 – one hundred **and one**

120 – one hundred **and twenty**

145 – one hundred **and forty five**

Until you reach **200 – two hundred**, then name the numbers **two hundred and** This continues until **one thousand – 1000**.

One thousand follows a similar rule to one hundred. The number is pronounced as one thousand then whatever number follows. No and required.

For example:

1222 – one thousand, *two hundred and twenty two*.

1546- one thousand, *five hundred and forty six*.

2134 – two thousand, *one hundred and thirty four*.