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Introduction

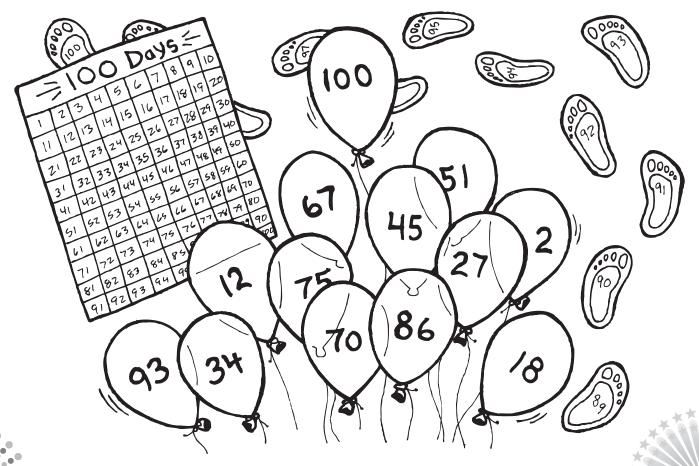
The 100th day of school is a day to celebrate. It is an important event for students, but also for the teachers. The 100th day of school is a perfect time to reflect on what has been learned, and to look forward to how much more learning will be done as the school year continues. This is a day that Pre K–Grade 2 students can have fun with the number 100 and share the language arts, math, art, social studies, and physical-education skills they have been developing. It is also a day to share special projects and perhaps a surprise or two!

Creative Ways to Celebrate 100 Days provides ideas and activities to showcase the number 100 and what it means. You will find cross-curricular ideas to implement the day or week that school begins. Some of the suggested activities will culminate on the 100th day, and others will continue to the end of the year. Establishing these activities in the beginning is well worth the effort.

Other suggested activities do not need to start at the beginning of the school year. These activities can be embedded into your math, language arts, social studies, and physical-education curricula at any time. Templates are provided throughout to be used for specific activities and /or combined to create a 100 Days Memory Book.

A special section is devoted to ideas to commemorate and celebrate the 100th day of school.

Suggestions are also provided for activities to finish the school year.



100 Footprints Path

Materials	
100 laminated footprints numbered 1 to 100 (page 10)	
tape or adhesive	

Teacher Preparation

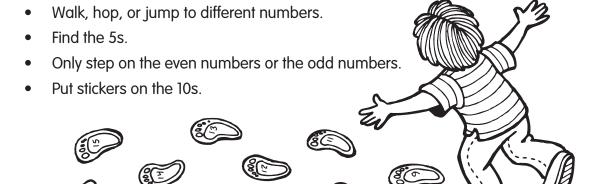
A footprint path can be a great way to practice counting and skip counting. It is also a great way to work a little physical activity into the daily routine. Things to consider:

- Do you want to add a footprint each day and build up to the 100th day, or do you want to set up the 100 Footprints Path all at once?
- Do you want the path in the classroom, in the hallway, or outside?
- Do you want to surprise students and set up the path on the 100th Day leading right to your classroom? You could start with the first footprint at the front door of the school and lay them down ending with the 100th footprint at the decorated classroom door.

Once you know, use the patterns on page 10 to prepare a colorful footpath. Make fifty left footprints and fifty right footprints using different-colored construction paper. Laminate the footprints for greater durability and adhere them to the ground or floor using tape.

Directions

- 1. Students can walk on the 100 Footprints Path and call out each number as they go.
- **2.** Students can hop, or tiptoe, while saying the numbers.
- 3. Students can walk backwards to count, too!
- **4.** After the 100 Days Celebration, try some of the suggested activities to incorporate the 100 Footprints Path into your routine. Once established, use the path every day. Try these activities:



100 Days Books

Here is a selection of books to collect or borrow from the library. See how many
your class can read.
100th Day Worries by Margery Cuyler
100 Days of Cool by Stuart J. Murphy
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☐ 100 Hungry Ants by Elinor J. Pinczes
100 School Days by Anne Rockwell
Centipede's One Hundred Shoes by Tony Ross
Counting Our Way to the 100th Day by Betsy Franco
Curious George Learns to Count from 1 to 100 by H.A. Rey
Emily's First 100 Days of School by Rosemary Wells
Fancy Nancy: The 100th Day of School by Jane O'Connor
Fluffy's 100th Day at School by Kate McMullan
From One to One Hundred by Teri Sloat
I'll Teach My Dog 100 Words by Michael Frith
Jake's 100th Day of School by Lester L. Laminack
Miss Bindergarten Celebrates the 100th Day of Kindergarten by Joseph Slate
One Hundred Days (Plus One) by Margaret McNamara
One Hundred Is a Family by Pam Muñoz Ryan
One Hundred Monsters in My School by Bonnie Bader
One Watermelon Seed by Celia Lottridge
The 100th Day by Grace Maccarone and Alayne Pick
The 100th Day of School by Angela Shelf Medearis
The 100th Day of School by Brenda Haugen
The 100th Day of School by Matt Mitter
The Night Before the 100th Day of School by Natasha Wing
☐ The Wolf's Chicken Stew by Keiko Kasza
MORE BOOKS

How Do You Say 100?

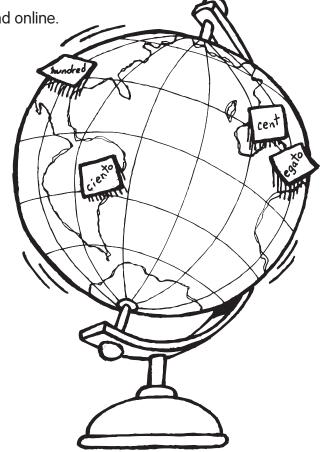
,	, ,	pencil, markers, and scissors

1. How do you say *one hundred* in other languages?

2. If there are children who speak different languages in your class, ask them how to say one hundred in their language. Write each new way on a sticky note.

3. Here are some translations. Others can be found online.

Chinese	bai
English	hundred
French	cent
German	einhundert
Greek	ekatón
Hebrew	me'a
Japanese	hyaku
Korean	baek or baeg
Polish	sto
Portuguese	cem
Spanish	ciento
Thai	nueng-roi



4. Make a sticky note for "one hundred" in each different language.

5. Place the sticky notes on a map or globe to show where the different languages are spoken.









The 100 Days Hat

There are so many ways to make celebratory hats. Here are a few options to get started.

baseball cap, visor, or other type of hat (often can be found in craft stores or \$ bins)	
collections of 100 items (buttons, pompoms, bows, etc.)	
glue	•

Directions

- **1.** Have the students count their collections of 100 items.
- **2.** Then, have each student glue his or her collection to the hat he or she has chosen.
- 3. Let the hats dry and wear them proudly!



The 100 Days Crazy Headband

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	Materials
	☐ 10 strips of paper approximately 2" x 10" long (10 strips per child)
	art supplies such as small stickers, stamp pads and stampers, or paint
	cotton swabs
	long strips of heavy paper (2" wide), colorful border trim, or sentence strips (one per child)

Directions

- Fit a sentence strip, section of border trim, or strip of heavy paper to each student's head but do not staple it closed.
- **2.** Put 10 small stickers, 10 stamps, or 10 paint dots on each of the ten strips of paper.
- **3.** Have students staple the completed strips to the headband.
- **4.** Either let the strips hang out and sway or bring all of them together and staple all 10 together at the top.
- **5.** Add "I'm 100 Days Smarter!" labels to each headband. Staple the ends of the strip together to finish the headband.

