Count On

Your child has practiced adding groups and will now learn to count forward starting at any number. For example, starting with 3, you might count on to 4, 5, and 6. These activities speed up addition skills.

Number Cards
Make cards numbered from 1 to 10. Have your child select a card and count upward from that number. Then practice writing the numerals.

Toss and Count
Toss a beanbag or ball back and forth with your child. Count each catch. Then call out a number as the beanbag or ball is tossed and count on from that new number.

Fill in the Blank
Draw a grid on a piece of paper. Fill in some numbers in counting order, leaving several squares blank. Help your child fill in the blanks. See if she can continue filling in the blanks by counting on instead of starting over and counting from the first number.

Counting
Look for opportunities to count. Pick a number to start with and then count forward from that number. You can count the steps between the door and the mailbox, the cars on a passing train, or the bounces of a ball.

Books to Read
Here are some books you may want to read together:

- 1, 2, 3 to the Zoo: A Counting Book by Eric Carle
- Let’s Count It Out, Jesse Bear by Nancy White Carlstrom
- How Many Bugs in a Box?: A Pop-up Counting Book by David A. Carter
- Mouse Count by Ellen Stoll Walsh
- 365 Penguins by Jean-Luc Fromental
- Quack and Count by Keith Baker
- Ten Friends by Bruce Goldston
- One Monday Morning by Uri Shulevitz