The Cave Game

1. **Name** the number children will work with today.
2. Children place that **number of counters** on their paper to form a horizontal line.
3. Children place their **right hand** on the paper to form a cave.
4. **Name** the number of counters to move away from the other to hide in the cave.
5. Say “How Many?” Children tell the **number outside** the cave and the **number inside**.
6. Say “Check.” Children lift their “hand caves” and then repeat the combination.
7. Call out different numbers for the children to hide & identify the combinations formed.

**Variation:** Children take turns hiding a few of their counters in the caves. The child hiding asks “How many?” The rest of the children tell the number of counters outside the cave and determine the hidden part.

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**Things You Need:**
- Counters, sorted by color
- Blank paper

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