

Maya's Big Music Hunt — Count the Beat!

Grade 1

math

music

Students will count forward from any number within 20, using a music adventure story as the counting context.

Name: _____

Date: _____

1. Maya finds 3 special gold drum sticks on the stage. She finds 2 more behind the curtain. How many special drum sticks does Maya have now? Write the number.

2. Maya sees a row of unique silver bells. There are 4 bells on the left. There are 4 bells on the right. How many unique bells are there in all?

3. Fill in the blank. Maya counts her rare find — shiny music notes on the wall. She counts: 7, 8, 9, _____. What number comes next?

4. Maya lines up 6 rare find trumpet keys in a row. She adds 5 more keys to the line. How many trumpet keys are in the line now? Show your counting.

5. True or false? Maya counts 9 hidden treasure music coins. She gives 0 away. Maya still has 9 coins. Circle TRUE or FALSE.

6. Maya hears 7 drum beats. Then she hears 8 more drum beats. Count on from 7 to find the total. Write each number you count: _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____. How many beats did Maya hear in all?

7. Maya opens a hidden treasure box. Inside she finds 3 rows of special object star chimes. Each row has 4 star chimes. Maya counts all the chimes by skip counting by 4s: 4, _____, _____. How many star chimes did Maya find in the hidden treasure box?

8. Maya reaches the stage at last! On the stage she finds the unique item — the golden music crown. Around the crown are 20 tiny rare find jewel notes. Maya counts back from 20 to make sure none are missing: 20, 19, 18, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____. Maya counted all the way back to 1. Did Maya find all 20 rare find jewel notes? Circle YES or NO. How many jewel notes are on the golden crown in all?

Answer Key: Maya's Big Music Hunt — Count the Beat!

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Before Q6, play 7 drum beats aloud. Ask students to count along — this mirrors the exact counting task Maya does in Q6 and gives tactile learners a movement anchor before the harder problems.

1. Maya finds 3 special gold drum sticks on the stage. She finds 2 more behind the curtain. How many special drum sticks does Maya have now? Write the number.

Answer: Q1: Maya counts: 3 special drum sticks + 2 special drum sticks = 5 special drum sticks. Answer = 5

2. Maya sees a row of unique silver bells. There are 4 bells on the left. There are 4 bells on the right. How many unique bells are there in all?

Answer: Q2: Maya counts: 4 unique bells + 4 unique bells = 8 unique bells. Answer = 8

3. Fill in the blank. Maya counts her rare find — shiny music notes on the wall. She counts: 7, 8, 9, _____. What number comes next?

Answer: Q3: Maya counts forward from 7: 7, 8, 9, 10. The next number is 10. Answer = 10

4. Maya lines up 6 rare find trumpet keys in a row. She adds 5 more keys to the line. How many trumpet keys are in the line now? Show your counting.

Answer: Q4: Maya starts at 6 rare find trumpet keys. She counts on 5 more: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11. Answer = 11

5. True or false? Maya counts 9 hidden treasure music coins. She gives 0 away. Maya still has 9 coins. Circle TRUE or FALSE.

Answer: Q5: Maya starts with 9 hidden treasure music coins. She gives away 0. $9 - 0 = 9$. She still has 9. Answer = TRUE

6. Maya hears 7 drum beats. Then she hears 8 more drum beats. Count on from 7 to find the total. Write each number you count: _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____. How many beats did Maya hear in all?

Answer: Q6: Maya counts on from 7: 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15. That is 8 more counts added to 7. $7 + 8 = 15$. Answer = 15 beats

7. Maya opens a hidden treasure box. Inside she finds 3 rows of special object star chimes. Each row has 4 star chimes. Maya counts all the chimes by skip counting by 4s: 4, _____, _____. How many star chimes did Maya find in the hidden treasure box?

Answer: Q7: Maya counts by 4s: 4, 8, 12. She has 3 rows of 4 special object star chimes. $4 + 4 + 4 = 12$. Answer = 12 star chimes

8. Maya reaches the stage at last! On the stage she finds the unique item — the golden music crown. Around the crown are 20 tiny rare find jewel notes. Maya counts back from 20 to make sure none are missing: 20, 19, 18, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____. Maya counted all the way back to 1. Did Maya find all 20 rare find jewel notes? Circle YES or NO. How many jewel notes are on the golden crown in all?

Answer: Q8: Maya counts backward from 20: 20, 19, 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1. That is 20 counts — every rare find jewel note is there. Answer = YES, Maya found all 20 rare

find jewel notes on the unique item golden music crown. Maya wins the crown and the music adventure is complete!