

What numbers do you see?
What's the smallest number?
What's the largest number?

The goal is to make stairs of cubes to match the numbers.

Let's start with the first step, the number 1.
How many cubes for 1 ?
Do we need to get any more cubes?

Let's try building another step.
Who wants to choose a number so that we can build a step for it?

How many cubes should be in that step?
Build the step with your partner.

Work with your partner to build the rest of the steps.
Remember, you are building towers that match the number on the base. If the base says four, you should have four cubes in all.

After you have built all the steps, work together to put them in order from the smallest step to the largest step.


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## Extension

Continue to build steps for larger numbers.
Have one partner close their eyes while the other partner removes one or more steps. Once the first partner figures out what steps are missing, they explain how they know.


