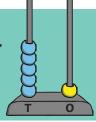
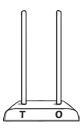
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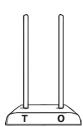
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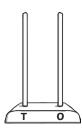
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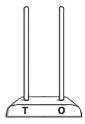


What numbers can be made with 3 beads?

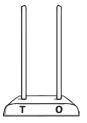




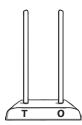


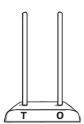


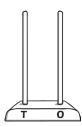


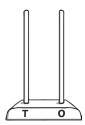


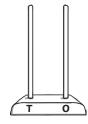
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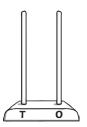




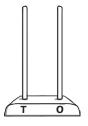


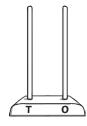


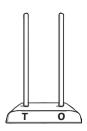


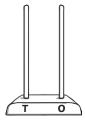


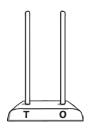
What numbers can be made with 5 beads?

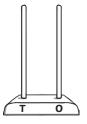










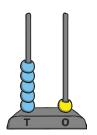


## **Abacus Investigation**

## Challenge

Look at how many different numbers can be made with 3, 4 and 5 beads. How can you use this to predict how many numbers will be made with 6 and 7 beads? How many numbers can be made with 6 and 7 beads?

6 beads: numbers
7 beads: numbers
How many numbers can be made with 8 and 9 beads?
8 beads: numbers
9 beads: numbers
What happens with 10 beads that might make it different?







## Abacus Investigation Answers

- 3 beads: (4 numbers) 3, 12, 21, 30
- 4 beads: (5 numbers) 4, 13, 22, 31, 40
- 5 beads: (6 numbers) 5, 14, 23, 32, 41, 50
- 6 beads: (7 numbers) 6, 15, 24, 33, 42, 51, 60
- 7 beads: (8 numbers) 7, 16, 25, 34, 43, 52, 61, 70
- 8 beads: (9 numbers) 8, 17, 26, 35, 44, 53, 62, 71, 80
- 9 beads: (10 numbers) 9, 18, 27, 36, 45, 54, 63, 72, 81, 90
- 10 beads: You cannot have 10 beads on a stick, so there would not be 11 numbers. The possible numbers are 19, 28, 37, 46, 55, 64, 73, 82, 91.



