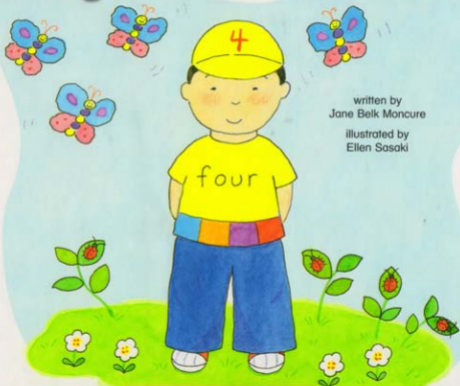



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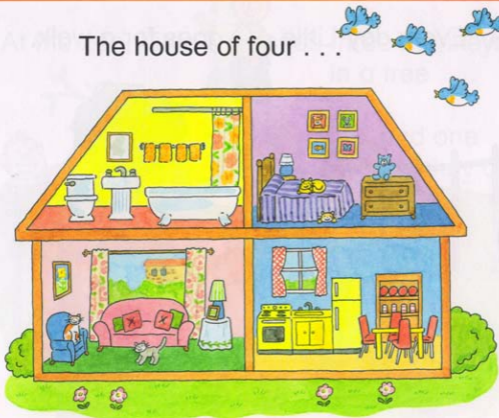


This is Little four .



Little Four lives in the house of four.

The house of four . . .



has four rooms. Count them.

Every day Little  goes for a walk.



Sometimes he goes to the zoo.

At the zoo, Little  sees three monkeys
in a tree . . .



and one
monkey on
the ground.

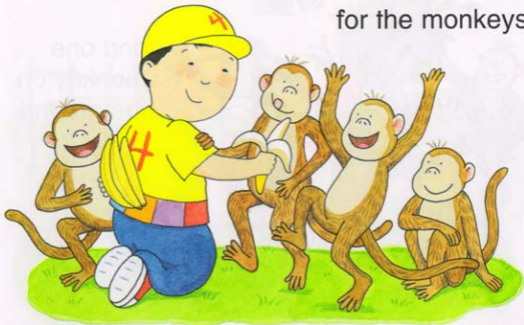


How many monkeys does he see?

He buys four bananas



for the monkeys.



How many bananas can he give each monkey?

Then Little finds four balls on the path.



He sees four seals in the water.


He throws the first ball to the first seal.



Who catches the second ball?



The third seal catches the third ball.
Who catches the fourth ball?

Next Little  sees some baby lions.




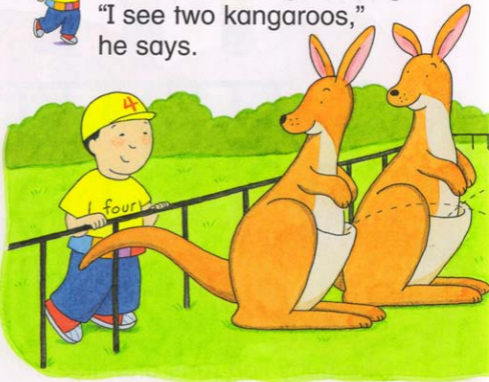
How many does he see?

Happy, Little claps his hands.



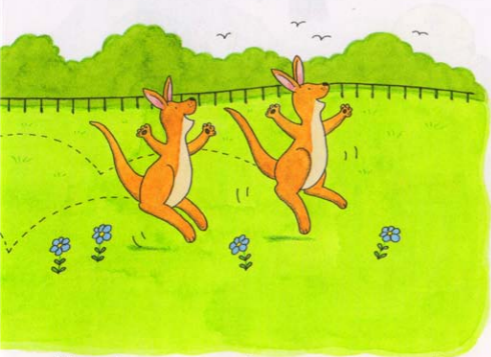
One baby lion runs and hides.
How many are left?

Little  hops to the kangaroo cage.
“I see two kangaroos,”
he says.



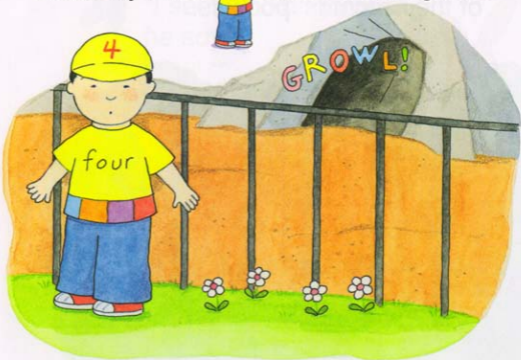
Just then . . .

two baby kangaroos jump out
of their mamas' pockets.



Now how many kangaroos are there?


Suddenly Little  hears a loud growl.



It is coming from inside a cave.

Out come two big polar bears
and two baby bears.



How many bears does Little  see?

Excited, Little waves his hands.




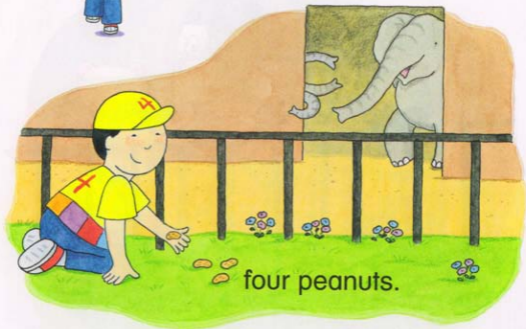
How many baby bears run to hide?

Then he stands very, very still.

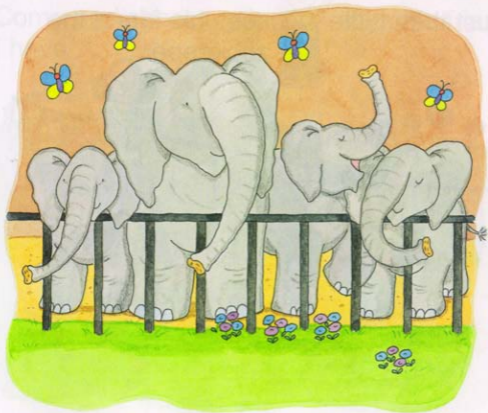


How many bears peek out?


Little  skips along. He finds . . .



Guess who peeks out of a door?



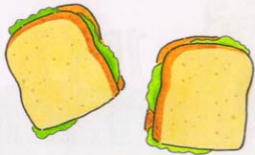
Does each elephant get a peanut?

Just then Little  sees his friend the zookeeper.



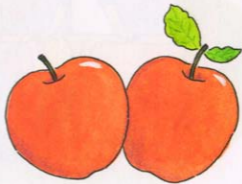
She has a picnic basket.

“Come and share my lunch,” says his friend.
“I have . . .



two sandwiches . . .

and two apples.”



How many things does she have to eat?

After lunch, the zookeeper says,
"Let's have a treat."



Guess what she buys for Little




How many scoops of ice cream does

Little **4** get?



What does he say
four times?

Little  found four of everything.

four monkeys



four bears



four baby lions



four elephants

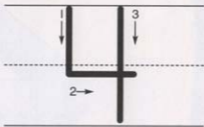


four kangaroos

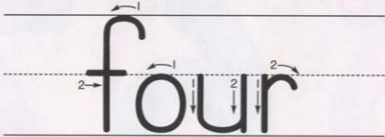


Now you find four things.

“See what I can do,” says Little
He makes a 4 this way:



Then he makes the number word like this:



You can make them in the air with your finger.



Little Four is a curious and playful boy who enjoys counting things that come in fours. Follow Little Four on his fun-filled day as he counts zoo animals and shares lunch with a friend.

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