

## Count Around the Circle/Choral Counting Planning Template

<b>Counting Sequence</b> (Start with _____. Count by _____.) Consider having students quietly write first 5 numbers, or have think time and then turn and talk.	<b>Mathematical Goal</b> What mathematical idea or pattern will this count highlight?	<b>Connections?</b> How does this count connect to prior/future counts? How does it connect to the lesson that will follow?	<b>Pauses</b> Where might I have students pause, notice patterns, and make predictions?	<b>Questions</b> What questions will I ask before/during/after the count?

**Useful Questions:**

*What is the next number is going to be?*  
*How did you know what number would be next?*  
*Did someone figure out what number is next in a different way?*  
*What number is \_\_\_\_\_ going to say?*  
*If we count all the way around the room, what do you estimate the last person will say? Why?*  
*Now that we've counted part way around, does anyone want to revise your thinking/change your estimate?*  
*Why didn't anyone choose \_\_\_\_\_ as an estimate?*  
*What patterns do you see?*  
*What do you notice?*

*Is the number \_\_\_\_\_ going to be in this count?*  
*What's a number that won't be in this count?*  
*If we kept going, would we land on \_\_\_\_\_? Why or why not?*  
*If we kept going, what number would go here?*  
*If we counted by \_\_\_\_\_, would we get to a higher or lower number than if we count by \_\_\_\_\_?*  
*If we count by \_\_\_\_\_, will it take us a short time or a long time to get to \_\_\_\_\_?*  
*Does this count remind you of any other counts we've done?*  
*How does this pattern connect to \_\_\_\_\_*

**Representation:**

How will I record this count? (Vertical list, Horizontal list, number line, number grid)

What do the different representations highlight? Which works best for my math goal? (Try out ideas here!)

**Formative Assessment:** What will I look and listen for? How might I adjust the count if it seems too difficult or not challenging enough? If I use an exit ticket or have students work individually on the count, what would that look like?