Further investigations:
Give your child 25 small objects and let him group them by 5’s or 10’s to count the objects. Try with different numbers of objects 30 or fewer.

As you read a storybook to your child, call her attention to the page numbers in the book. Ask her to find certain page numbers and ask questions such as: What comes before 24? What comes after 15? Is 12 more or less than 21? Find the answers as you read the book.

Pick any number from 0-30. Ask your child to count backwards from the number chosen until he reaches 0.

Play “Toy Store.” Place labels for different amounts less than 30¢ on objects around your home. Ask your child to count out pennies to buy items that together cost less than 30¢.

Gather a set of coins: pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters. Ask you child to estimate how many coins are in your collection. Have your student sort the coins and write the numerals to represent the data. She can also make a picture graph to show how many coins you have of each type.

Challenge your student to determine which set of coins represents the greatest value and which has the smallest value.

Make a circle to represent a year. Let your child draw pictures in each quadrant to show what events which occur in each season.

Case Closed - Evidence:
I would get up, eat breakfast, brush teeth, go to school, eat lunch, play outside, come home, do my homework, eat dinner, brush my teeth, and go to bed.

2. Use the events above to discuss what time of day they would occur. Some of the events might occur in more than one place such as brushing teeth and doing homework.

Case Closed - Evidence:
We have music on Thursday.

4. Make a pile of pennies to represent the cost of the toys below and use the pennies to count the total cost of the 2 toys.

Toy 1 Cost $.20
A. How many pennies does it take to buy both of the toys?
B. How much do both toys cost together?

Toy 2 Cost $.09
Case Closed - Evidence:
A. 20 pennies and 9 pennies together make 29 pennies.
B. The 2 toys cost $.29.

Clues:
Use a ruler as a number line to help your child understand the quantities of 5 and 10 and also to see how close numbers are to these benchmarks.