

Number Systems from Around the World

Teacher Resource

Number systems other than Base 10:

- Base 2
 - [Binary number system](#)
 - [Origins in China](#)
 - [Origins in Polynesia](#)
- Base 16
 - [Hexadecimal number system](#)
 - [Use of hexadecimal numbers in computing](#)
 - [Origins of hexadecimal numbers](#)
- Base 20
 - [Kaktovik Inupiaq numerals](#)
 - [Lesson on the history and use of Kaktovik Inupiaq numerals](#) (with thanks to Mike Jacobs, DCDSB)
 - [Mayan Vigesimal system](#)
- Base 60
 - [Babylonian number system](#)
 - [Connections with time and circles](#)

Recording numbers in various cultures:

- [Quipu](#)
- [Egyptian numerals](#)
- [Babylonian cuneiform numerals](#)
- [Cisterian numerals](#)

Related Resources:

- [12 Mind-Blowing Number Systems from Other Languages](#)
- [The Story of Mathematics](#)
- [Timeline of Counting and Recording Numbers](#)
- Teacher resource: [Ancient History Math Mystery](#)
- [If you started a new civilization, what would your numbers look like?](#) (video)