Aro: Two Rafts

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Read together and point to the pebbles on each raft. Match one from each side to discover which raft has more.

1 Beside the river

Beside the river, bright and blue,
Aro has some work to do.
His gecko friend comes out to play:
"Let's match the pebbles here today."

2 Three and two

On the left raft, count to three;
on the right, just two we see.
Three and two sit in the sun.
Point and touch them, one by one.

3 Count each pebble

One, two, three - each pebble counts.
One, two - two different amounts.
Look for partners, here and there;
one from each can make a pair.

4 Make the pairs

Join one pair across the blue;
match again - now pairs make two.
One left over, plain to see:
two have partners out of three.

5 Now we know

Two is fewer; three is more.
That's what all the pairs are for.
One left over tells us so.
Choose, then check, and off we go.



Three left. Two right.

Trace every rope from side to side.
The pairs can be your counting guide.

Ori's thought **A pair uses one pebble from each raft. If every pebble has a partner, both rafts have the same amount.**

Make pairs. Compare. Check.

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