Twenty and Three

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AGES 5-7 • TENS AND ONES

Help Zebra make a parcel label. Count the blue tens and gold ones, then say the number together.

1 A PARCEL WAITS
At Zebra's desk, a parcel waits;
she checks the tags beside the crates.
Two parts will make its label right.
Let's count them in the morning light.

2 TWO TENS AND THREE ONES
Ten blue dots fill one tray tight;
ten more fill its twin just right.
Twenty dots in tidy rows;
three gold ones wait close to those.

3 TOUCH AND COUNT
Touch each dot: five here, five there.
Ten fill each tray; count both with care.
Point to the gold ones: one, two, three.
More blue than gold - that's what we see.

4 THE PARTS JOIN
Pick the twenty. Pick the three.
Wait one second. Watch and see:
three slips where the zero lay;
two tens stay - they do not go away.

5 TWENTY-THREE
Twenty-three! The parts now meet:
two full tens, three ones - complete!
Match the parcel. Tap OK.
Zebra sends it on its way.



Point to each tray, then count with me:
'Two tens and three ones: twenty-three!'

ORI'S NUMBER THOUGHT

Two full tens are twenty. Joining three ones makes twenty-three; the tens keep their value.

Count the parts.
Join them. Check.

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