

A quick guide for parents and caregivers

# Giraffe: Open the Comparison Gate

5-minute guide · ages 5–7

**The goal:** Read two rows from a common start, compare tens and ones, and set the gate to match.

**Playful practice, not a test.**

## 5 ways to help without giving the answer

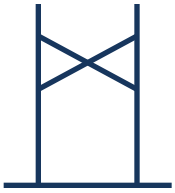
1. **Check the common start.**
   Point to where both rows begin.
2. **Group the tens.**
   Find each complete group of ten.
3. **Compare the ones.**
   Look at the units after the full tens.
4. **Read the endpoints.**
   Let the ends support the sign.
5. **Change and recheck.**
   Watch the changed delivery, then compare again.

## Your play plan

**5**

**minutes**

**is plenty**



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- Explain ends
- Try again

**Stay curious: ask what changed.**

## 5 signs the math is happening

1. **Reads tens and ones**
   Names each group without building extra rods.
2. **Checks the common start**
   Notices both rows begin at one post.
3. **Compares the ends**
   Looks across the unmatched tail.
4. **Repairs a sign**
   Uses the model to change direction.
5. **Rechecks a change**
   Looks again after the delivery moves.

## Try it away from the screen today

**Make two rows.**
Use blocks and a ruler edge.

**Paper-arc the larger row.**
Keep the blocks still.

**Move the arc, then add one.**
Ask what changed: gate or blocks?

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