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## *This Month's New Resources*

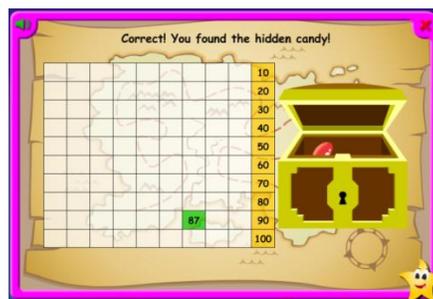
### *K-2 Counting*

This month we added a new K-2 StarrMatica Lesson –*Counting*. To access the new lesson, login to your teacher account and choose the K-2 button. Then choose the Math castle and Counting as your topic. Be sure to check out the highlights listed below.



#### *Game: Candy Shop*

*Students Count candy to fulfill orders and earn money to buy items to decorate their shops.*



#### *Enrichment: Hidden Treasures*

*Students use their knowledge of a hundreds chart to locate hidden treasures.*



#### *Teacher Tool: Counting Toolbox*

*Students can practice their counting skills with a customizable game board.*



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# *StarrMatica's Featured Content*

## *Counting Toolbox*

This month's new K-2 lesson includes a resource packed virtual manipulative:  
*Teacher Tool: Counting Toolbox*

The toolbox includes a variety of workmats which you can use as backgrounds to create your own counting activities with numbers and objects. Drag a variety of containers onto your workmat and count as you place items into those containers. Be sure to check out the crayon box, the egg carton, and the candy jar.



The highlight of the toolbox is a customizable game board that students can use to practice counting by spinning a spinner or rolling dice and moving their game pieces around the board.

### *Web Tools Spotlight: Graphic Organizers*

StarrMatica's *Web Tools* category in the Links search contains tools that could be used with many different curricular topics. Under the *Teaching Tools* topic group, you will find many tools for creating graphic organizers. Graphic organizers are tools proven to raise student achievement, and these tools are sure to interest your tech-savvy students. Two of our favorites are:

[\*\*Graphic Organizers:\*\* Choose from 15 different organizers to customize online before printing.](#)

[\*\*Thinking Guides:\*\* Choose from several categories of graphic organizer templates to complete online before printing.](#)



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