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## *Blast from the Past 2020: Made in Louisiana*

### Make a Little Fun Counting to Ten in French

Watch the following video to learn how to count to 10 in French by playing the old fashioned game of Hop Scotch. By watching, saying, and playing, you will know these numbers in no time!

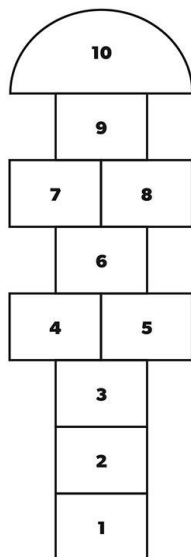
**Video Link:** <https://vimeo.com/429510517/406e302fb1>

#### Supplies

- Chalk
- Bean Bags, rocks, or bottle caps for each player to use as a game piece called a “Lucky”

#### Directions

1. Using chalk, draw the Hop Scotch course outside on a concrete surface. Then, fill in each space with numbers 1 – 10 as displayed in the Hop Scotch diagram.
2. If there is more than one player, each player should choose an object to use as a “Lucky” and hold onto it stand in line behind the Hop Scotch course.
3. The first player in line tosses the Lucky onto a number and proceeds to hop on one foot from square to square except for the side by side number. For those, you should land a foot in each square. As the player, approaches the square marked by the Lucky, he/she has to hop over that number.
4. The player should hop all the way to the number 10 and then turn around and hop back stopping on the square in front of the Lucky to pick it up on the way back.
5. The player reports to the end of the line, and each player takes a turn until everyone is able to make it all the way to number 10 and back successfully.
6. To make the game more challenging and fun, have each player count out loud in French as they hop along the course.
7. If at any time a player steps on a line, loses balance, or steps on a square containing a lucky, that player automatically loses his/her turn.



## Make a Little Music

### New Orleans Opera House

Here's a little lagniappe trivia. Did you know that New Orleans is America's first city of opera? The first opera performed in the United States was performed there in 1796.

An opera is a dramatic story set to music. Lines are sung instead of spoken.

An opera house is a theatre building used for performances of opera. It usually includes a stage, an orchestra pit, audience seating, and backstage facilities for costumes and building sets.



## OPÉRA LOUISIANE

Check out Baton Rouge's own *Opera Louisiane's* opera series just for kids called Kids Sofa Series.



**Sofa Series for Kids: Introducing Cinderella!** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7vkhzg9I2Ng>

**Sofa Series for Kids: Cinderella** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dJvOYiKsLek>:

**Sofa Series for Kids: "The Magic Flute" with Michael Borowitz!**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LHuM1U8-pbs>

**Sofa Series for Kids: Hansel and Gretel** [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f8jWLI\\_pZuw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f8jWLI_pZuw)

### Make Your Own 2 Minute Opera!

After viewing Kid's Sofa Series, using the following instructions provided by *Opera Louisiane*, try planning a two minute opera of your own!

Create your very own opera based on an exciting or interesting moment in Louisiana history.

First, create your opera's synopsis (story) and libretto (words/lyrics). Think about:

- When does the story take place?
- Where does the story take place?
- What does the set look like?
- Who are the characters?
- What will the costumes look like?
- What is the main problem or conflict?
- How does the main problem or conflict get solved?
- What's the most exciting moment?
- What is the title of you opera?

Once you've planned it all out, host a performance at your house. Before you know it, your family audience will be clapping and cheering you on in Italian, "Bravo, Brava, Bravissimo!"

## Make a Little Dream into a Big Business: Zapp's

Founder of Zapp's Potato Chips, Ron Zappe was inspired to make the first commercially made kettle chips in Louisiana after his wife brought home a bag of Texas made kettle fried snacks. When this industrial engineer and entrepreneur moved his family from Houston in the 1980's to the bayou state after working in the oil industry, he was searching for a new career. Never did he ever imagine his new success would come from colorful bags of crunchy concoctions filled with flavor made famous in Louisiana. He was turned down by the first 10 banks he asked for a loan to start the business. Mr. Zappe noted, "The 11th finally gave me my start. I never gave up. That's the secret."

With funding in place, Mr. Zappe turned an old car dealership in Gramercy, Louisiana into a potato chip manufacturing plant. He started making thick cut kettle chips, and **the** rest is history! His business would soon be known as "The little chippery in Gramercy!"

Zapp's is known for its zany variety of flavors such as Cajun Crawtators, which is said to be the nation's first spicy potato chip. Even if somehow the name and the taste don't capture your attention, the creative designs on the bag will.

Mr. Zappe has since passed away but his determination lives on. Now owned and operated by another company, Zapp's chips are made all around the country.



## Invent a New Flavor of Zapp's

### Supplies

- Paper or the included activity sheet
- Pencil
- Markers or crayons

### Directions

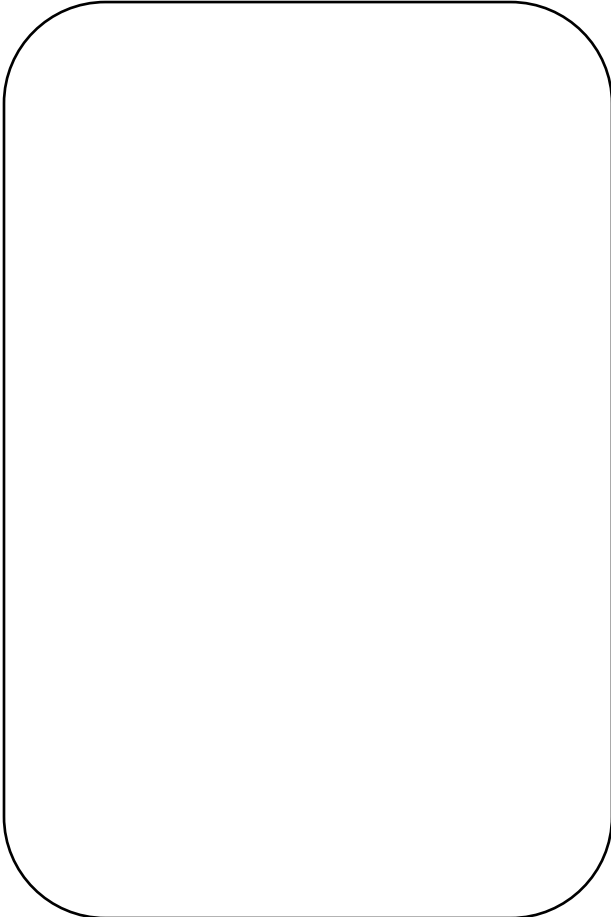
1. Imagine that you have been asked to think of a new flavor for Zapp's Chips. What flavor would it be? What kind of seasonings or spices would you need to create that flavor? Think of a name for this tasty new chip.
2. If using a blank piece of paper, divide the paper in half. On the right side of the paper or the activity sheet, write the name of the new flavor at the top and list the key ingredients below the name.
3. On the left, use pencils, markers or crayons to design a brand new bag to market your chips.

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**DESIGN** the new chip bag here:



Name of the **NEW** chip:

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What **FLAVOR** is it?

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Key **INGREDIENTS**:

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## Try Making Kettle Chips at Home

With the help of a grown up for safety reasons, you can make your own potato chip snacks.

### Supplies

- Brown potatoes
- Bowl of water
- A knife for cutting the potatoes
- Cutting board
- Colander
- Cooking oil
- Deep skillet or Dutch oven
- Salt
- (Optional) Extra seasonings and spices of your choice
- Paper Towels
- Plate

### Directions

1. Wash potatoes
2. Slice potatoes to desired thickness with the help of a grown up. The thicker the slice, the longer it will take to cook thoroughly. Try to cut all of the potatoes at the same thickness (or thinness) so they cook evenly.
3. Place each slice in a bowl of water while you continue slicing the potato.
4. Drain and rinse the slices in a colander. Then return the slices to the bowl. Cover with water. Add salt, and soak for 30 minutes.
5. Drain and rinse again. Pat dry with paper towel.
6. With the help of a grown up, heat cooking oil in a large skillet or Dutch oven.
7. Add one slice to test to see if the oil is hot enough. Then, add the rest of the batch.
8. Fry potato slices until golden. Make sure your grown up stays with you for the entire cooking time.
9. Remove the potato slices and drain by placing on a plate lined with a paper towel. BE SURE TO TURN OFF THE STOVE.
10. Top with salt and any other seasonings or spices of your choice while the chips are still hot. Let the chips cool, and enjoy your homemade kettle chips

### Learn More (Helpful Links)

<https://www.southernliving.com/culture/ron-zappes-potato-chips>