

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Five Behind the Back

K:8 [Teacher holds out 5 paper clips.]  
**How many do I have?**  
[Student counts the paper clips.]  
[Teacher puts both hands behind back, then brings out 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 paper clips in one hand.] **How many are in this hand?**  
[Student counts the paper clips.]  
**How many are in my other hand?**

**This task is delivered verbally using an Interview format.**

Teacher instructions:

Hold out one hand with 5 paperclips in the open palm of the hand. Say to the student, “How many do I have?”

Watch what the student does. Listen to what the student says. (Space is provided to take notes.)

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After the student has given an answer, put both hands behind the back and bring out 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 paperclips in the open palm of one hand. Keep the other hand behind the back. Say to the student: “How many are in this hand?”

Watch what the student does. Listen to what the student says. (Space is provided to take notes.)

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(Instructions continue on next page.)

This task is not designed for numerical scoring.



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Watch what the student does. Listen to what the student says. (Space is provided to take notes.)

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