

Numbers 1-31

Cardinal numbers: how many. Ordinal numbers: what order.

No.	Cardinal	Short	Ordinal
1	one	1st	first
2	two	2nd	second
3	three	3rd	third
4	four	4th	fourth
5	five	5th	fifth
6	six	6th	sixth
7	seven	7th	seventh
8	eight	8th	eighth
9	nine	9th	ninth
10	ten	10th	tenth
11	eleven	11th	eleventh
12	twelve	12th	twelfth
13	thirteen	13th	thirteenth
14	fourteen	14th	fourteenth
15	fifteen	15th	fifteenth
16	sixteen	16th	sixteenth

No.	Cardinal	Short	Ordinal
17	seventeen	17th	seventeenth
18	eighteen	18th	eighteenth
19	nineteen	19th	nineteenth
20	twenty	20th	twentieth
21	twenty-one	21st	twenty-first
22	twenty-two	22nd	twenty-second
23	twenty-three	23rd	twenty-third
24	twenty-four	24th	twenty-fourth
25	twenty-five	25th	twenty-fifth
26	twenty-six	26th	twenty-sixth
27	twenty-seven	27th	twenty-seventh
28	twenty-eight	28th	twenty-eighth
29	twenty-nine	29th	twenty-ninth
30	thirty	30th	thirtieth
31	thirty-one	31st	thirty-first

Using numbers for dates

Written: 1 May **Said:** the first of May **or** May first

Written: 21 May **Said:** the twenty-first of May **or** May twenty-first

We use ordinal numbers when saying the day of the month.

For counting: **I have three books.** For order: **This is my third book.**

Remember: 11th, 12th and 13th all end in **-th**.

Use a hyphen in **twenty-one** and **twenty-first**.