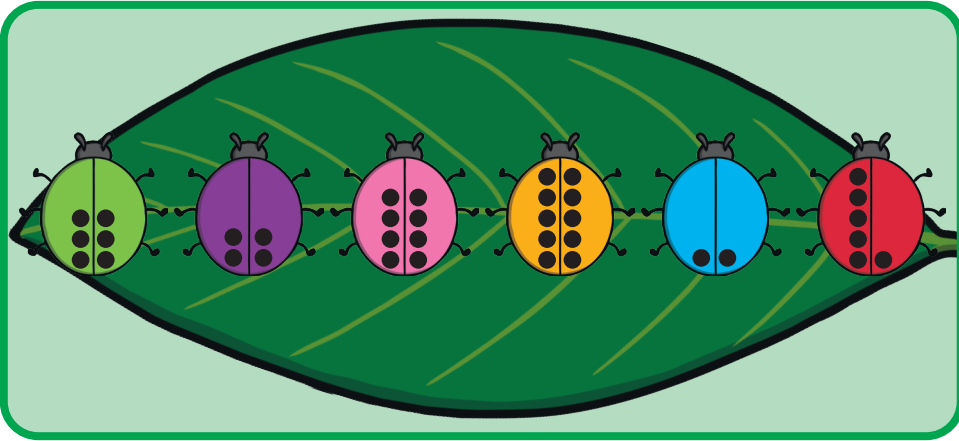


# Ladybirds Doubling Story



One sunny day, some colourful ladybirds were flying in the garden. They decided to have a rest and landed on a leaf.

The red ladybird looked at the other ladybirds and noticed something about their spots.

“Look! We are all doubles ladybirds - we each have the same number of spots on each of our wings.”

The ladybirds looked at each other. “I’m not so sure,” said the blue ladybird. “I think that one of us is not a doubles ladybird. What do you think?”

**Which ladybird does not show a double? Use the picture to help you solve the problem.**

## Maths Counting Problem-Solving Home Learning Activity



### Questions to Get Your Child Thinking

- What can you tell me about the ladybirds?
- What does ‘double’ mean?
- How can you spot a doubles ladybird?
- What is the same on a doubles ladybird?
- Can you find a ladybird that shows double three?
- What double does the purple ladybird show?
- The yellow ladybird shows double five. What is double five?
- Which ladybird is not a doubles ladybird? How do you know?

### Activity to Try

Draw a large ladybird (without any spots) onto a piece of paper. Give your child some buttons, coins or beads and ask them to use these items as the ladybird’s spots. Invite them to make a doubles ladybird for each number from one to five. How many spots do they need in total for each ladybird?

