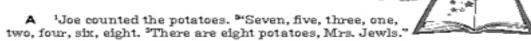
42. Sideways Stories From Wayside School by Louis Sachar (Excerpt)



- B "No, there are eight," said Mrs. Jewls.
- C "But that's what I said," said Joe. "May I go to recess now?"
- Po "No, you got the right answer, but you counted the wrong way again."
 She put three books on his desk. "Count the books, Joe."
- E ¹⁰Joe counted the books. ¹¹"A thousand, a million, three. ¹⁹Three, Mrs. Jewls."
 - F 13"Correct," said Mrs. Jewls.
 - G **May I go to recess now?" Joe asked.
 - H 18"No," said Mrs. Jewls.
 - 18"May I have a potato?" asked Joe.
- J 17"No, listen to me. 18One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten," said Mrs. Jewls. 19"Now you say it."
 - K ^{90*}One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten," said Joe.
- L 21"Very good!" said Mrs. Jewls. "She put six erasers on his desk. ""Now count the erasers, Joe, just the way I showed you."
- M ³⁴Joe counted the erasers. ³⁵"One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten. ¹⁶There are ten, Mrs. Jewls."
 - N "No," said Mrs. Jewls.
- O 29"This doesn't make any sense," said Joe. 29"When I count the wrong way I get the right answer, and when I count right I get the wrong answer."
- P 30Mrs. Jewls hit her head against the wall five times. 354How many times did I hit my head against the wall?" she asked.
- Q 35'One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten. 25You hit your head against the wall ten times," said Joe.
 - R 3*'No," said Mrs. Jewls.
 - 5 36"Four, six, one, nine, five. 38You hit your head five times," said Joe.
 - T ³⁷Mrs. Jewls shook her head no and said, "Yes, that is right."