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Line	Time	Speaker	Transcript
1		R1	First of all, what do you think you learned from what you did?
2		Stephanie	Well, we learned that, well with the Unifix cubes we learned that even though there might be less, there might be, um, less, you might think there would be more because there's less blocks and there's more combinations you can make> There's less because once you take one block off. Say you have red, red, red, red and you have red, red, red, blue once you take one red away and one blue away they are the same.
3		R1	Ohh, you're right. Okay, alright. So you won't have more you would have...
4		Stephanie	Less
5		R1	How are you sure that you had them all because you two seemed very definite that 16 was all and some people were saying 17 and 18 but you seemed to be sure it was 16.
6		Stephanie	Well, we had to check it a couple times and we tried to make some different ones but we were checking and checking and they all came out the same.
7		R1	When you made the three cube towers were there more of less than
8		Stephanie	Less
9		R1	There was less, do you remember how many you got?
10		Stephanie	We got eight
11		R1	Eight okay. And how did you do that? Like how, explain to me what you were doing there. You were pulling blocks.

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12		Stephanie	Well, we pulled the blocks off and then we matched them up. So it was like a matching game.
13		R1	So it was like a matching game and then what happened? What did you notice happened after you pulled one block off?
14		Stephanie	One block off could mean a whole big difference. Say again, you have blue, red, blue, blue and you have blue, blue, red, red. Wait yea, no hold on yea. What did I just say before?
15		R1	I forgot, start again.
16		Stephanie	Say you have blue, red, blue, blue and you have blue, red, blue, red. If you take off that red, if you take off that other blue you have blue, red, blue. Blue, red, blue.
17		Stephanie	You always have to think there's more, because you can't go, you never know if there's gonna be, you can't say I found two that's enough because you always have to think there's more. Because you never know if it's enough or not – you know what I mean. Until you find out the answer