YOU CAN COUNT ON IT! Quipu
Having trouble keeping track of how many baseball cards you have?

Need a record of earnings from your newspaper route?

Lost track of the number of bottlecaps in your collection?

Here's a solution for you----

Make a Quipu!
A quipu is the ancient Inca way of writing numbers. In many ways, it's a lot like our numeral system!

A quipu is a collection of colored strings with knots tied in them. Each color could represent something different. For instance, you might use a blue string to record how many baseball cards you have. Perhaps red for your wages.
Suppose you have 523 baseball cards. This is how the number would look on your quipu:

five hundred plus twenty plus three baseball cards.