

Shape Patterns

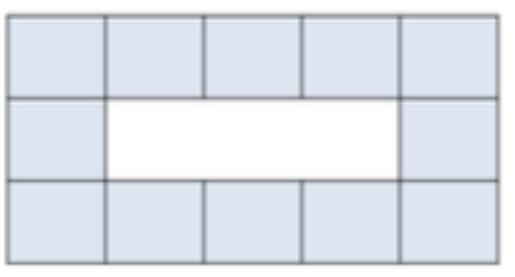
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- 1) Ask your child to say the 1st pattern (yellow circle, blue triangle...)
- 2) Ask your child to say the 2nd pattern (yellow circle, yellow circle, blue triangle...)
- 3) Ask what is the same? (both have 1 blue triangle)
- 4) Ask what is different? (1st pattern has 1 yellow circle but 2nd pattern has 2 yellow circles)
- 5) Ask your child to say the 3rd pattern (yellow circle, blue triangle, blue triangle...)
- 6) Ask what is different in this pattern compared to the other patterns? (2 blue triangles instead of 2 yellow circles)
- 7) What other patterns could you make using these shapes?

Which Patterns Fit?

Draw or print out these two frames:

Have three different types of loose objects: stones/buttons/counters/coloured squares cut from paper or card.



- 1) Start with an AB pattern *(red square, yellow square, red square, yellow square...)* and ask your child to place these objects around both frames do they fit exactly to complete the AB pattern?
- 2) Try an ABC pattern *(red square, yellow square, green square...)* and ask your child to place these objects around both frames do they fit exactly to complete the ABC pattern?
- 3) Try an ABB pattern *(red square, yellow square, yellow square...)* and ask your child to place these objects around both frames do they fit exactly to complete the ABB pattern?
- 4) Try an AAB pattern *(red square, red square, yellow square...)* and ask your child to place these objects around both frames do they fit exactly to complete the AAB pattern?
- 5) Repeat with AABB and AABBC then try your own pattern sequences.