



Storytime Activity Guide

Little Black Bear's Shapes Game Book

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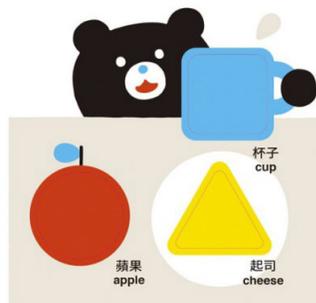
Let's go on a fun adventure with little black bear and explore many shapes; circles, triangles, and squares. Use the cutout shapes provided to discover those same shapes on each of the following pages. Children will discover the shapes that are hidden in our everyday lives.

Did you know?

A good foundation in early math prepares children for "math thinking," and for later academic success. Early Math includes number sense, classifications and patterning, measurement, mathematical reasoning, and geometry (shapes). While reading *Little Black Bear's Shapes Game Book*, identify shapes and arrange or sort objects into groups, and practice counting together. Use spatial language (long, high, side, angle, same, symmetrical) to develop your child's early math skills.

小黑熊
要吃早餐囉！

圖形
三角形
正方形
要放在哪裡呢？



Words to Practice

Circle
Triangle
Square

Talk about it!

- Ask your child to point to which one is a circle, triangle, or square.
- How many sides does a square have? A triangle?
- Let's count together!
- Does a circle have sides?
- How many shapes in total are in this book?
- Do we have a door or clock like

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Create!

Let's build a house with shapes (circles, triangles, squares, and rectangles) in this easy, fun activity.

Materials needed:

- A white piece of paper
- Glue stick
- Construction paper (different colors)
- Scissors

1. Gather all the materials for this art project.
2. Cut different sizes of circles, triangles, squares, and rectangles. Lay out all shapes and start building a house together. Use your imagination.
3. Let your child choose a base, rooftop, windows, door, and door knob for the house.
4. Glue the base, rooftop, windows, door, and door knob on the white piece of paper. Assist your child if they need help.
5. After the house is built and glued, talk about the shapes that are on the house. Count how many circles, squares, rectangles, and triangles. Talk about the colors they used for the shapes.



Extension: Let the child think of more objects they can add on to the house or around it-try to use different shapes. For example, you can add trees, flowers, a sun, clouds, or build another house.



Play: "I Spy" Shapes

Point out the shapes to your child. Start off with circles, squares, and then triangles. For example, "I Spy" a ball shaped like a circle. Ask your child to find a circle too. If your child points to an object (i.e. orange), help your child say its name. For example, "That's right, this orange is shaped like a circle. In addition, ask your child to trace the object with their finger.

