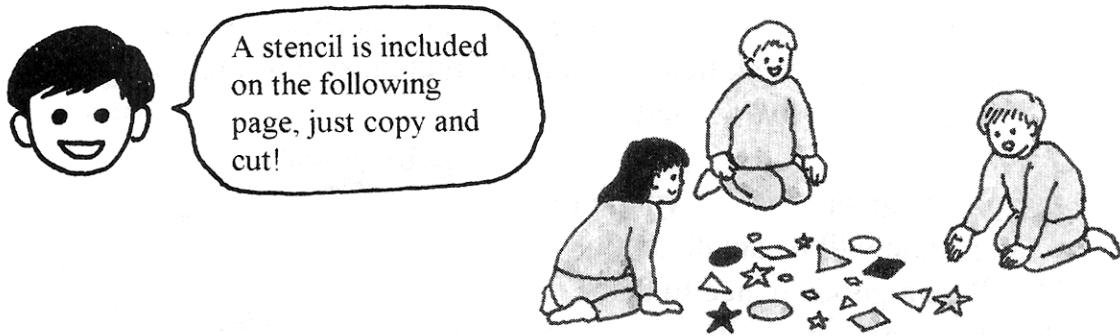


🎯 Game and activity ideas for shapes, colours and size 🎯

- 1- Prepare cover paper in a variety of colours and cut them into different sizes of different shapes. Place these on the floor and similar to snap, sit three or four students around the shapes.



Players race to take the appropriate shapes that are called out by the teacher or a student. For example, *aka no maru* (red circle). This takes the form of (colour) *no* (shape).

A variation to this can be made by adding *ookii* or *chiisai* to the front of the sentence. For example, *ookii aka no maru* (big red circle). The form is (size), (colour) *no* (shape).

The number of cards each player takes is counted and the player with the most shapes at the end of the game wins.

2- Drawing shapes

Students will draw an object which is called out in the form (size), (colour) *no* (shape), or just (colour) *no* (shape). This can be done on whiteboard, blackboard or paper.

3- Play Fruit basket (Fruit salad) using the shape names

Sit all students in a circle on chairs. Number the students off from one to four, then classify all one's as *maru*, all two's as *hoshi*, three's as *sankaku* and all four's as *shikaku*.

Call out a shape. When students hear their shape called out, they must change seats (more than one shape can be called at once). By calling "*katachi* (shape)", all students must change seats.

Once students get the hang of this, discretely sit on a chair as students are changing seats. This will leave one student without a seat. He/She may call out the next shape or shapes and then try to get a seat again.



If a student is left in the middle three times, either they are out, or they must write their name in the air with their buttocks, *shirimoji*. This is often used as a fun punishment game.

Songs recommended to teach colours and shapes:

♪ kira kira hoshi ♪
♪ ookina taiko ♪

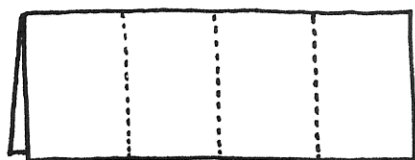
4- Worksheet “*katachi* (shape)”

Call out a size, shape *wa* colour *desu*. For example, *chiisai maru wa aka desu* (small circle is red). Students then colour the small circle red. Have all students colour the appropriate shape in the right colour.

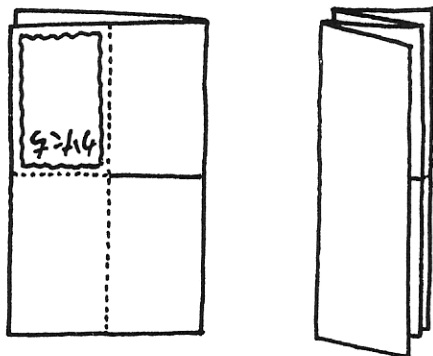
5 - Book making

You can easily make an eight page book from a piece of A4 paper. Have students draw pictures of shapes on each page and write the shape names or just trace the dotted samples.

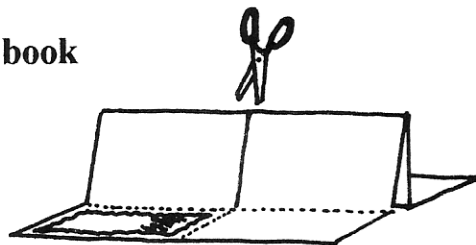
How to fold paper into a book



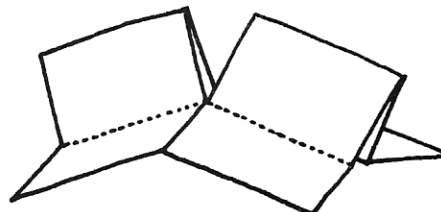
1. Fold paper in half length way and make a crease



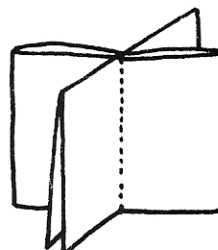
2. Fold paper like illustrated and make creases



3. Cut the centre solid line only



4. Open the cut



5. Make it into a book

