



Green Square, Green Square

Episode 1

Introduction

Learning shapes is a great way for kids to start recognizing shapes and then start recognizing letters, a key skill on the way to reading.

This set of flannel shapes is great to use with a rhyme or for a shape scavenger hunt! Both activities are included in this handout and are best suited for babies and toddlers.

Supplies

- Pieces of felt fabric in assorted colors (one of which should be green)
- Scissors
- A pencil
- Glue
- Paper
- Small magnets (optional)



Instructions

1. Decide which shapes you're going to match with which colors/felt fabric: If you're making our flannel set, be sure to match your square with your green felt.
2. Trace your shapes onto your felt fabric: You may also skip this step and go to Step 3, cutting out the shapes freestyle.
3. Cut out the shapes: Make sure an adult does this step.
4. (Optional) Glue on magnets: Felt is great on most cloth surfaces, so the flannel shapes will be excellent for play on a rug or a carpet. However, if you don't want to get down on the rug, you can glue your magnets to the back of your felt pieces, and you're ready for play on the refrigerator or even an old baking sheet if you want to make your play mobile.

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Rhyme

This is an example of a rhyme that you can use with the flannel shape set to help your child learn shapes. On every "I see a(n) xxxx xxxx looking at me," lay out the corresponding flannel shape. For example, when you say, "I see a red circle looking at me," take away the green square and lay out the red circle!

Feel free to replace the shapes and colors we have written here with the ones that you made, and keep going until you run out of shapes!

Green Square, Green Square, what do you see?
I see a red circle looking at me.
Red circle, Red Circle, what do you see?
I see an orange triangle looking at me.
Orange Triangle, Orange Triangle, what do you see?
I see a blue rectangle looking at me.
Blue Rectangle, Blue Rectangle, what do you see?
I see a purple heart looking at me.
Purple Heart, Purple Heart, what do you see?
I see a pink diamond looking at me.
Pink Diamond, Pink Diamond, what do you see?
I see a yellow star looking at me.
Yellow Star, Yellow Star, what do you see?
I see children looking at me!

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SCAVENGER HUNT!

Hunt for these shapes around your house! Find the basic shapes in any color; for an extra challenge, find objects that match the shape AND color of the images below.

