

Shape Bingo

Players 1-4



Ages 3+

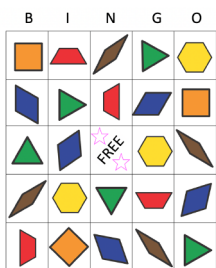


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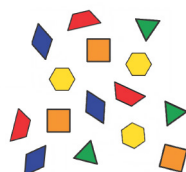
GOAL

Players get Bingo by having tokens covering a full line (vertical, horizontal, or diagonal) on the Shape Bingo Card.

MATERIALS



Bingo Card



Pattern Block Shapes



Bag



Tokens

VOCABULARY

Shape names

Line

Vertical

Horizontal

Diagonal

QUESTIONS

What do you notice about your Bingo Card?

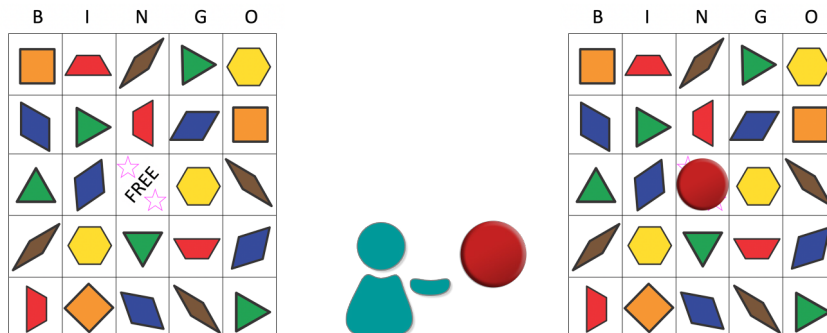
What shapes do you see?

How do you know when you have Bingo?

HOW TO PLAY

1. Hand out one Shape Bingo Card per player.
2. Pass out tokens to each player. Make sure each player has enough tokens to cover their Bingo Card.

- If using 5x5 cards, have each player place one token on their "FREE" space.

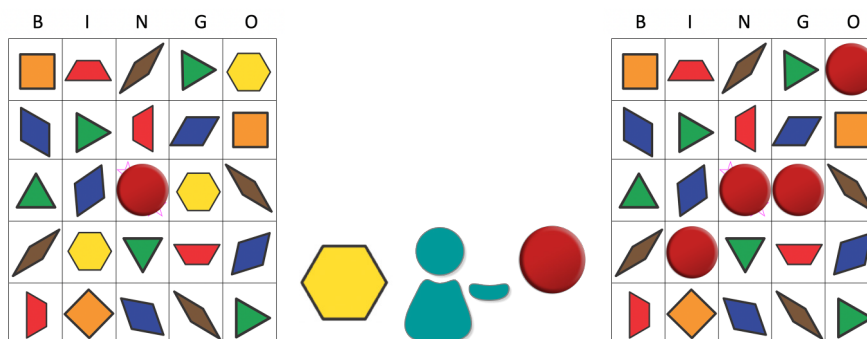


- Place the pattern block shapes in a bag or basket.
- Reach into the bag and select a shape.

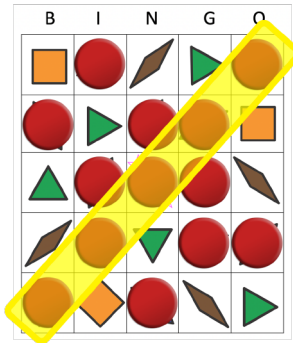


Hold up the selected shape for all to see. Have children name the shape.

- Have each player look at their Shape Bingo Card and place a token on each square that matches the selected shape.



- Continue pulling shapes from the bag and having children place tokens on the matching shapes on their cards. Once a player has shapes or tokens covering a full line (vertical, horizontal, or diagonal) on their card, they shout “Bingo!”



- Have the player name all of the shapes in their Bingo line, and name the Bingo direction (vertical, horizontal, or diagonal).

TIPS FOR PLAYING

- You can use anything for tokens--other game pieces, little scraps of paper, etc.

WHAT CHILDREN ARE LEARNING

- This game helps children connect shape names, like “hexagon” and “triangle,” with what the shapes look like.
- As children search their Bingo Cards for a particular shape, they are identifying the shape in all different configurations (e.g., flipped and rotated). This helps children recognize that a shape is a shape because of its attributes. For example, a triangle is a triangle because it has three straight sides, even if it’s upside down!

MATH TOPICS

Shapes and Geometry

VIDEO



Watch Game Video

View the QR code in your smartphone's camera app or QR code reader to watch a video that shows how to play Shape Bingo.