

Just for Families!



Circles, triangles, squares and rectangles are just a few of the shapes we will explore during our next unit, "Super Shapes." In addition to these basic, 2-dimensional shapes, we will also explore 3-dimensional shapes including spheres, cubes, cylinders and even rectangular prisms! In addition, we will use shapes to create art, to build and much more. Here are a few of the topics we will explore during this unit:

- * What are Shapes?
- * Creating Art with Shapes
- * Building with Shapes
- * Symmetry & Patterns
- * Basic Shapes (circle, square, triangle, rectangle)
- * 3-Dimensional Shapes
- * Finding Shapes in Nature
- * Straight vs. Curved

The following activities will help you reinforce the unit, "Super Shapes" with your child.

Bath Time:



Cut brand new sponges into basic shapes and add these to the bathtub for your child to explore.

Mealtime:

Note the shapes of foods while eating (e.g., "That cracker is a circle. The clementine is a sphere.")



Out & About (traveling):



Look for shapes on signs, banners and/or in store windows when riding in the car.

Bedtime:

Snuggle up in bed with your child and look around the room. See how many different shapes your child can "spy."



Sing the following song and change to incorporate the names of different things that are spheres.

A BALL IS A SPHERE
(tune: "The Farmer in the Dell")

A ball is a sphere.
A ball is a sphere.
It's very round on all the sides.
A ball is a sphere.

