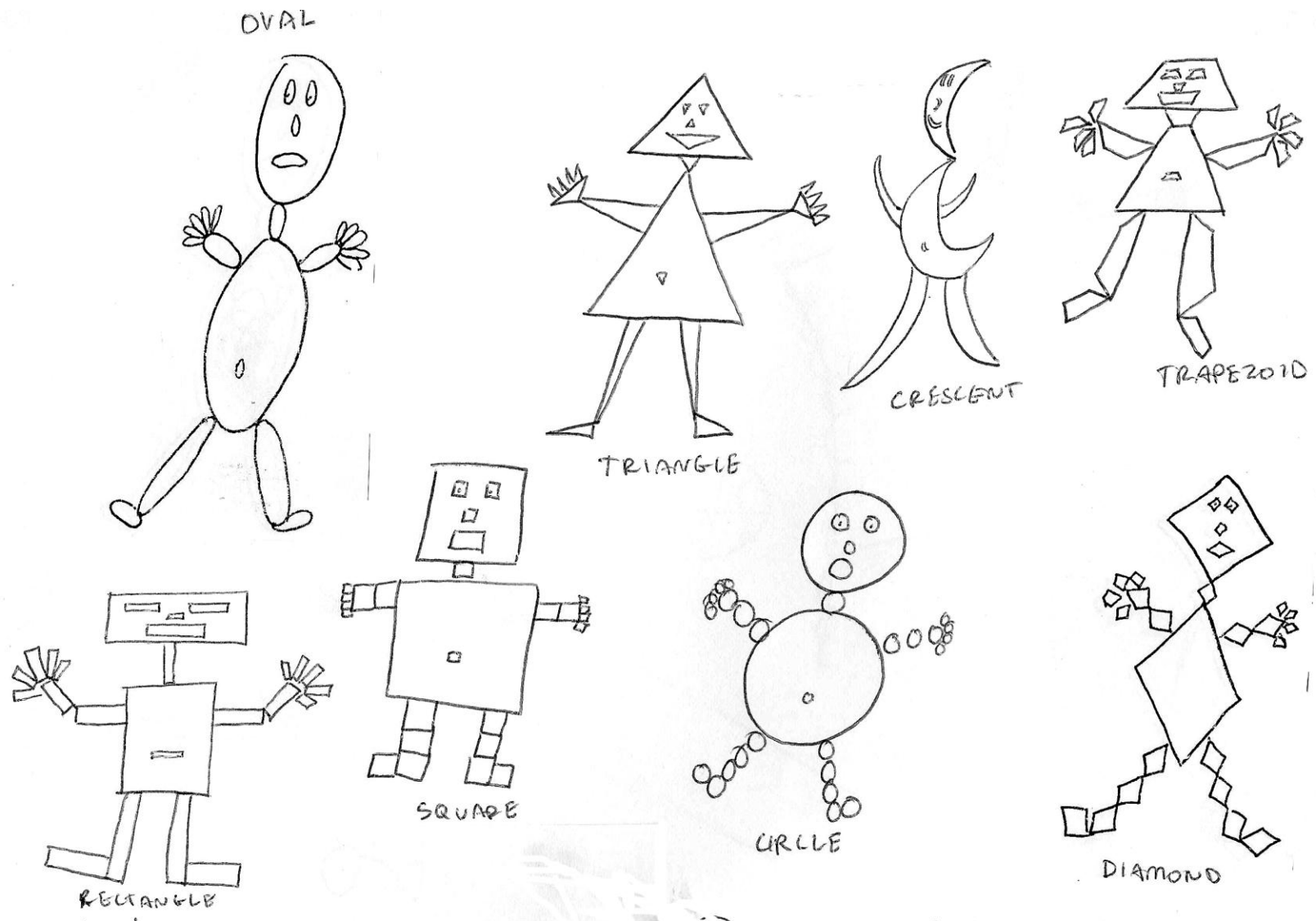


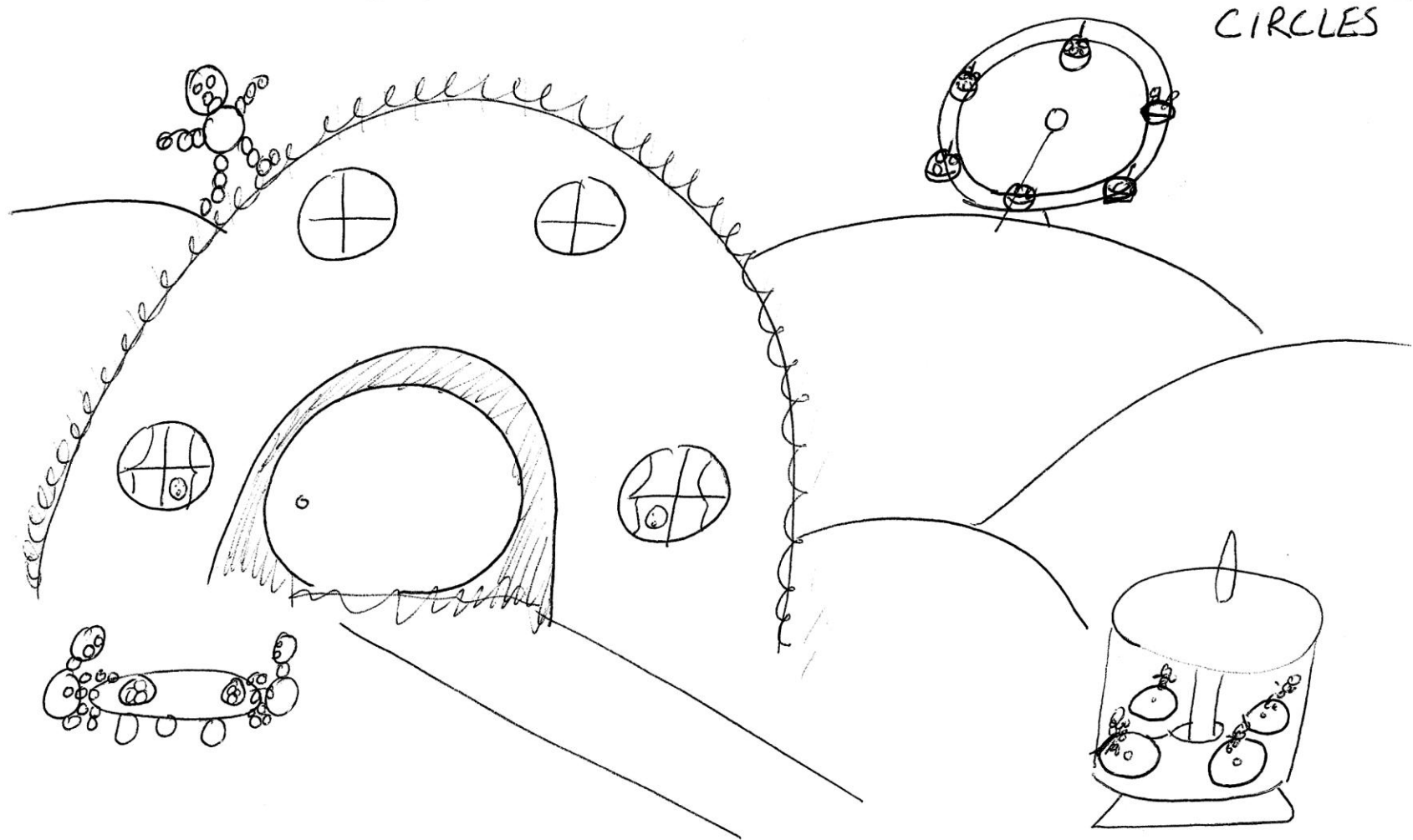
MEET
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PEOPLE

By Deborah Strod



We are the Shape People. We want you to know *our names*, and *what we look like*, and we want to show you *what we can do*!



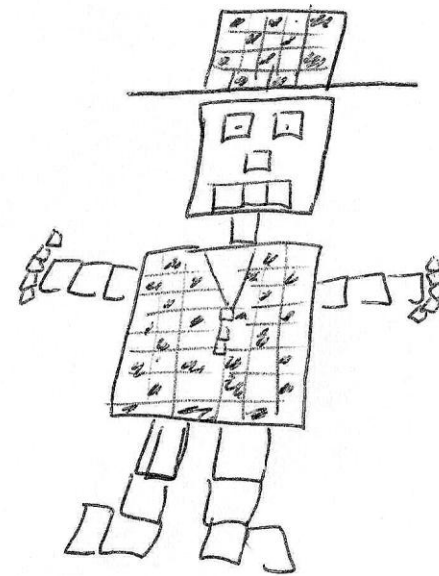
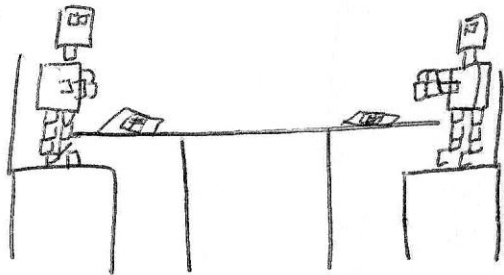
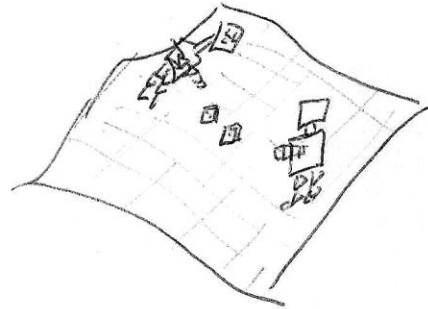
The Circles live in a cave with a round door. They eat a lot of round pancakes on round plates. They rollover hills and have ramps instead of stairs to get from floor to floor in their house. They ride in the round baskets of Ferris wheels, and their merry-go-rounds have navel oranges instead of horses.

RECTANGLES



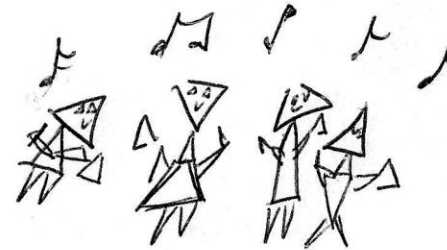
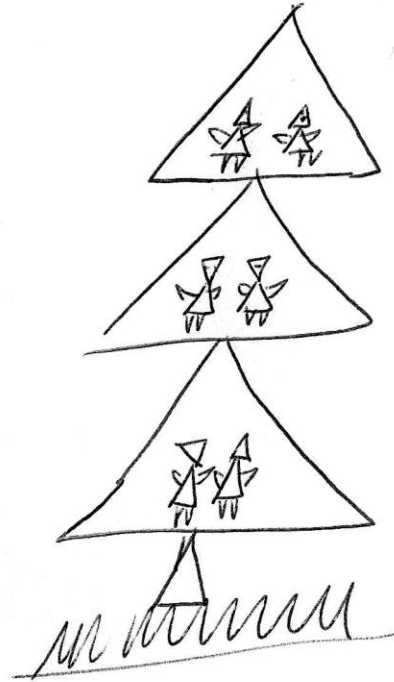
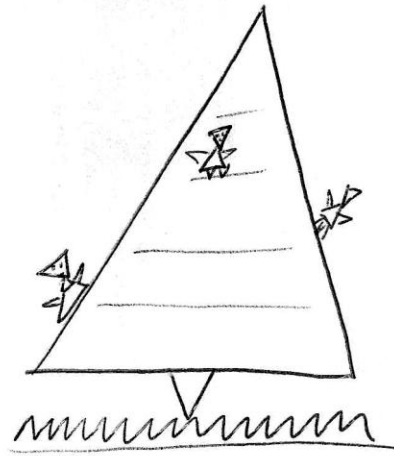
The Rectangles live in a giant apartment building. There are a lot of parking spaces in front. They like to play cards, and read the newspaper. They like to have big flags flying in the wind. They like their sandwiches cut in half to make rectangles. And they love to read books!

Squares



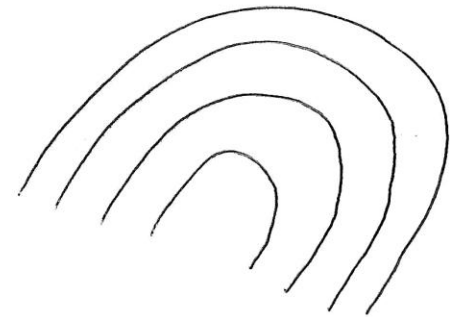
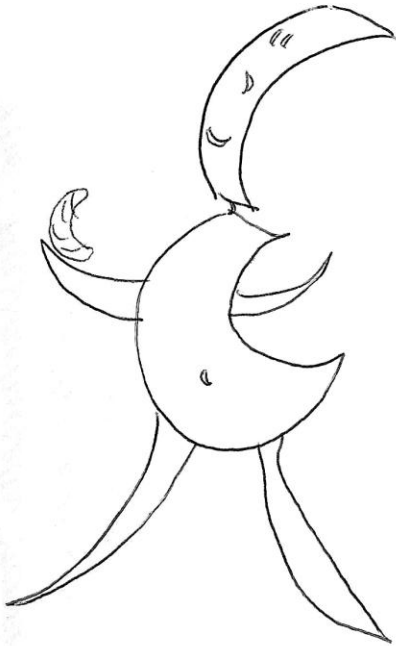
Squares like to eat waffles and square raviolis. They like to wear checkered clothing, and short top hats. They like to play games that use dice, on square blankets lying on the grass. They like sandwiches whole, or cut into square quarters.

Triangles



Triangle people live in trees. They love to eat tortellini, and make music on triangles. They like their sandwiches cut diagonally to make triangle halves or quarters.

Crescents



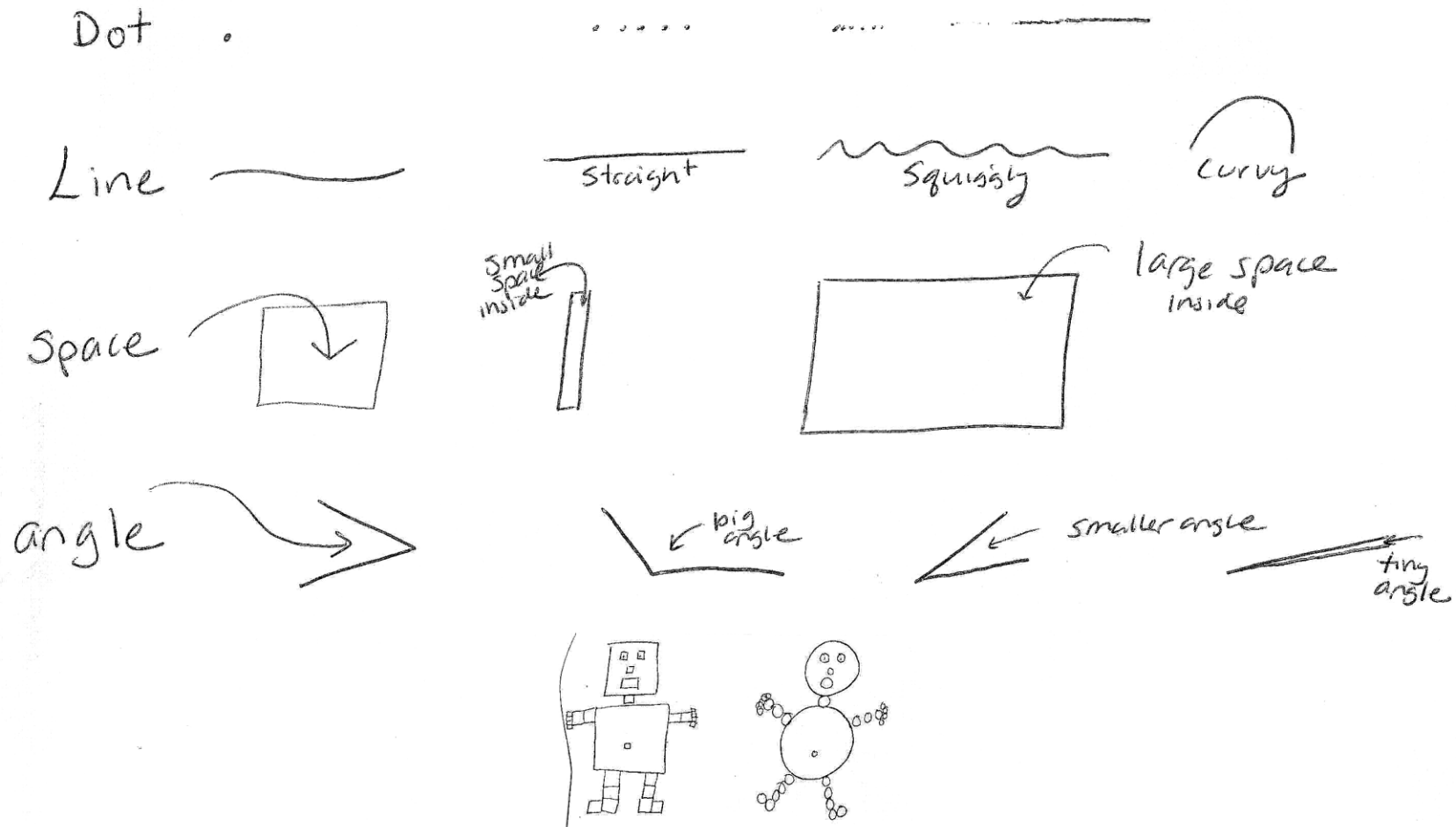
Crescent people like to eat croissants, and look at rainbows, and stare up at the waning moon (or the waxing moon – this picture shows a waning moon and the waxing moon curves the other way)!



OVALS, DIAMONDS, TRAPEZOIDS

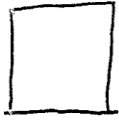


Ovals like watermelon, and belly button-tickling! Diamonds like to fly kites!
And Trapezoids have the same outline as their windshield!

Shapes' Bodies



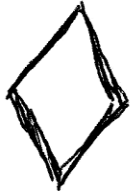
Shapes' bodies are made of dots, lines and the spaces inside them. Lots of dots right next to each other make a line. Where two lines meet, the space between them is called an angle. An angle can be large  or small . Can you make angles with your elbows? With dots and spaces and lines we can draw anything!



all 4 sides the same size
all 4 angles the same size



2 long sides and 2 short sides
all 4 angles the same size

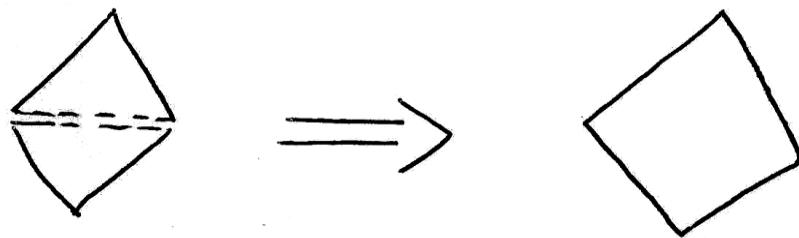


all 4 sides the same size
2 big angles and 2 small angles –
bigs are across from each other,
littles are across from each other



1 longest side, 3 shorter sides
2 big angles and 2 small angles –
bigs are across from littles

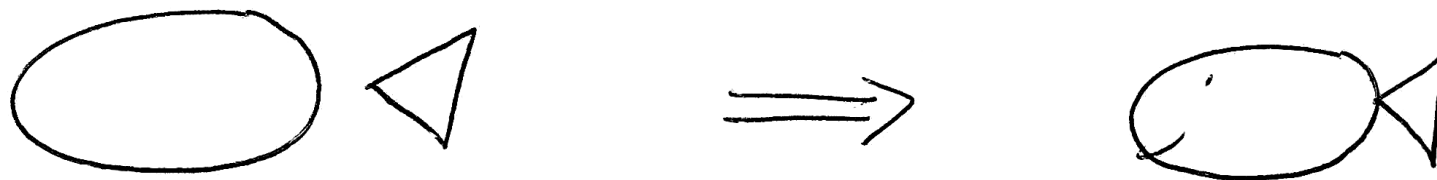
Squares and all the rectangles and diamonds and trapezoids are 4-sided cousins. But they have different angles or different-sized sides from each other. Check them out!



Two triangles make a diamond.



Two triangles hugging a rectangle ... make ... a trapezoid.

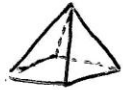
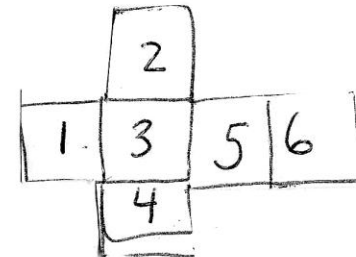


An oval and a triangle ... make ... a fish!

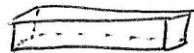
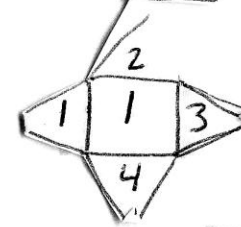
Shapes like to play together a lot. When they lean up against each other or hold hands, they can make new shapes! What shapes can you make with your friends?



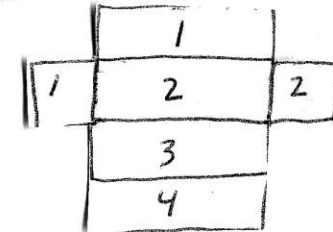
6 squares can make a cube!



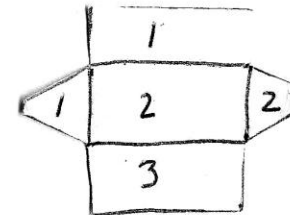
4 triangles and 1 square can make a pyramid!



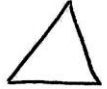

4 rectangles and 2 squares can make a beam or block!




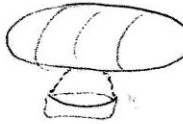
3 rectangles and 2 triangles can make a tent!





Some shapes like to climb on each other and build towers. What shapes make up the things in your room? What shapes do you see outside?

Spin a  into a  - see
it is like a birthday hat!

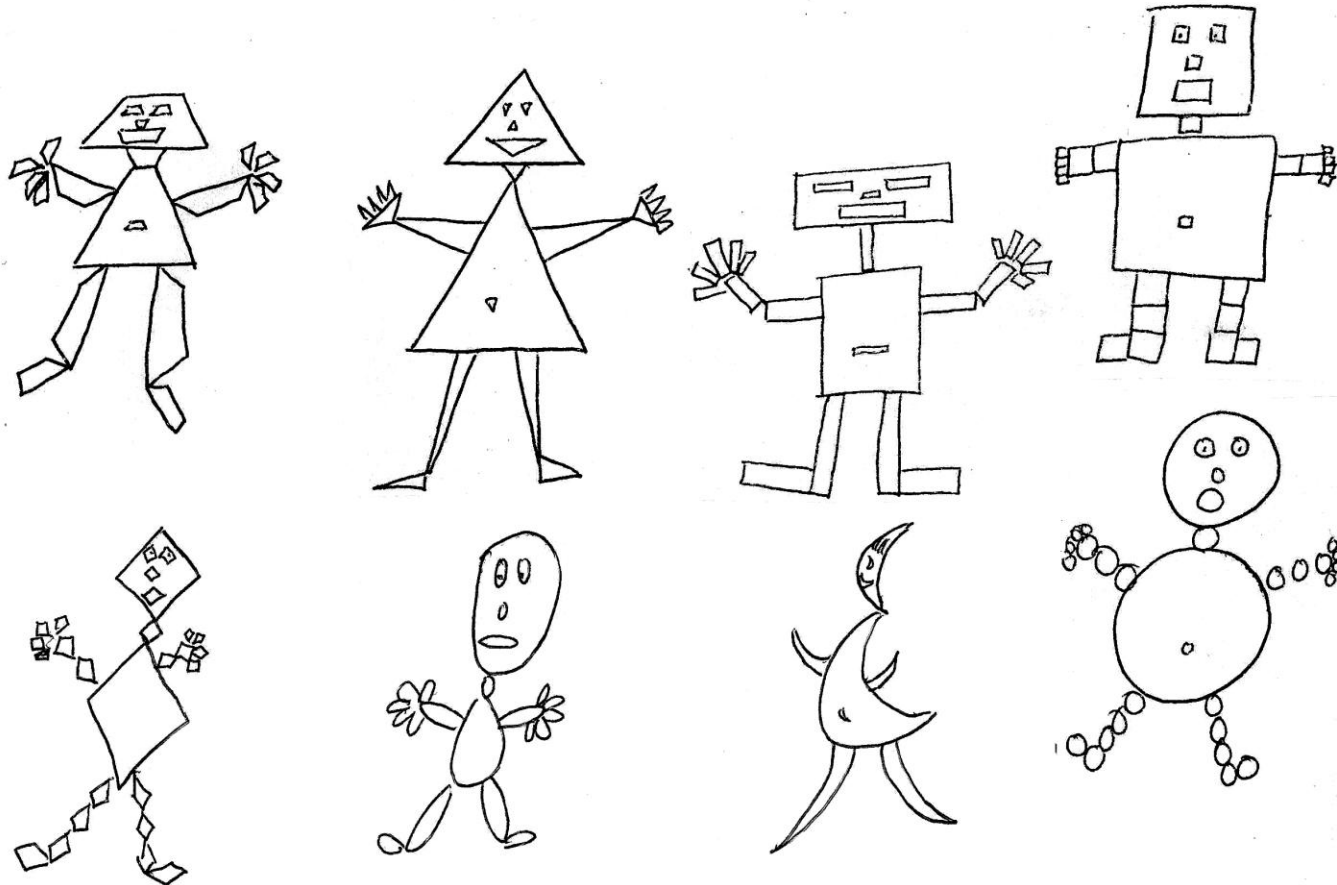
Spin a  into a 

An  spins into a blimp: 

A  spins into a ball 

Some shapes like to dance! When they spin around, they come right off the page!

Shape people are each made from just one kind of shape – lots and lots of the one shape, in different sizes. Count the number of squares, rectangles, triangles, diamonds, crescents, circles, ovals and trapezoids in each of our friends.



Kids and adults are made up of a bunch of different shapes. How many different shapes can you find on your body? (Hints: What shape is your nose? Your eyes? Your belly button?)

We've enjoyed meeting you today.
Remember us as you go on your way.
We'll help you as you build and draw,
And tell others about the things you saw!



Bye Bye !!

