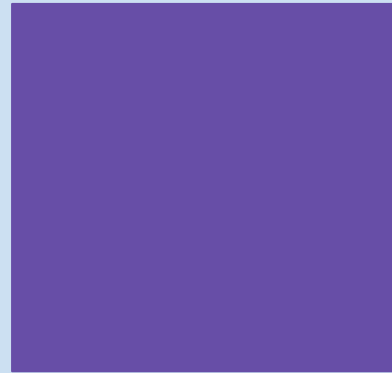
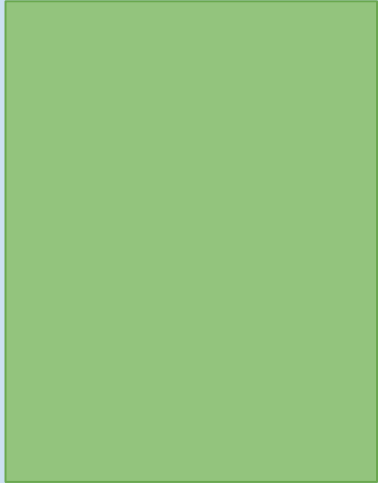


# Let's Talk About Rectangles and Squares!

The Ducklings spent last week exploring circles in the classroom so let's explore a new shape: Rectangles and Squares!



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# Go on a Shape Hunt!

Rain or shine, a shape hunt is a fun way to look at everyday objects with new eyes!

Shape hunts can be done inside, outside, in a book, with food, with art, and so many more places.

Work with your little duck to find as many **rectangles** and **squares** as you can: big, small, hollow, solid, etc.

You can create a “[magnifying glass](#)” or just use your spy eyes!



# Rectangles and Squares in Your Home



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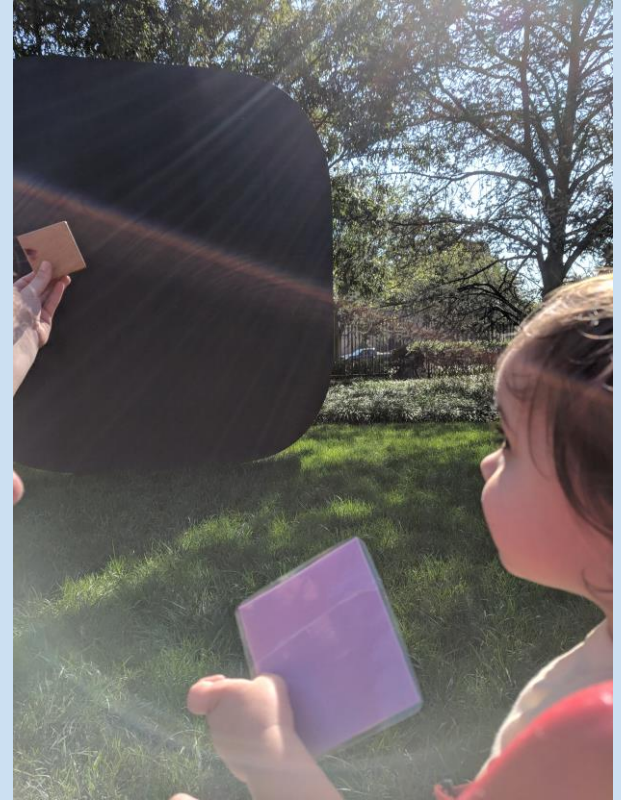
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# Compare and Contrast

When you have found a lot of **rectangles** and **squares**, spend some time talking about the similarities and differences among them.

You can talk about color, size, weight, and texture to highlight how they might look or feel different.



A square is like a box  
A square is like a box  
It has four sides  
They're all the same  
A square is like a box!

A rectangle has four sides  
A rectangle has four sides  
Two are short and two are long  
A rectangle has four sides!

Here are some rhymes you can sing with your children about squares and rectangles.



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## Activity

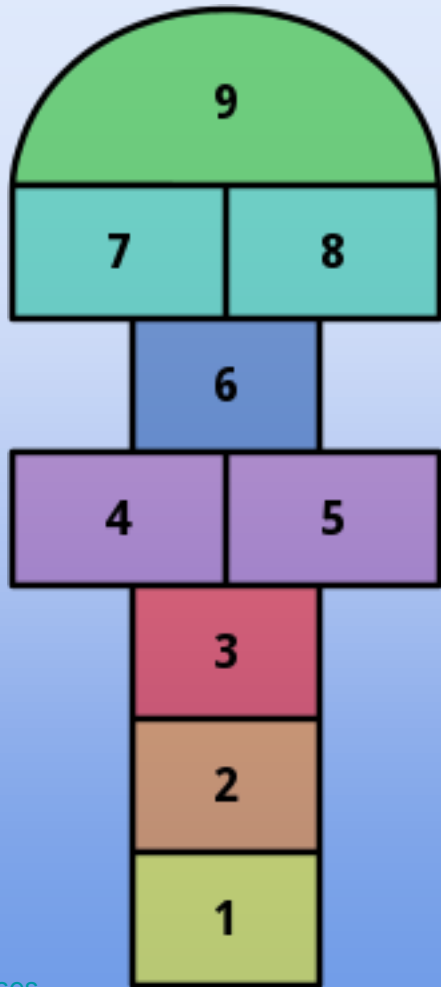
1. Using construction paper, cut out our three shapes.
2. Cut out several smaller shapes.
3. Work together to match the little shapes to the big shapes. If you are feeling adventurous, add a glue stick to make a shape collage.



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## Activity:

While outside (or inside if you cut out rectangular boxes). Create a small hopscotch board and practice hopping, walking, running, crawling across the board.



## Kandinsky's *Color Study: Squares with Concentric Circles*.



What you need:

- Colored paper
- Scissors
- Glue stick



1. Cut out squares of different colors.
2. Let your child explore them by stacking or sorting and comparing size and color.
3. With your older children, encourage them to cut their own shapes and create their own layered pictures.



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