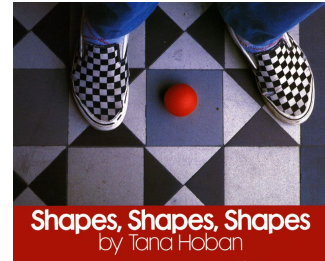


Shapes, Shapes, Shapes
by Tana Hoban



Wherever you are- inside or outside- there are shapes to discover, and with Tana Hoban's help you will begin to see them. Look around. How many circles, squares, stars, triangles, hearts, and rectangles can you see? They are everywhere!

- Looking at the first page of the book, talk about some of the shapes you'll be seeing in this book. Your child may not be familiar with all of these shapes. Help your child name them and talk about what makes the shape that shape. Does it have straight lines or is it rounded? How many sides does it have? Does it have corners? Are any shapes similar to or different from each other? Use this page as a reference, if necessary.
- Shapes can be combined and separated to make new shapes! Can you find any? (Hint: Check out windows, bridges, and power lines in the book for some clear examples.) Combining smaller shapes to form bigger shapes is like combining smaller numbers to make bigger numbers!
- Have a shape scavenger hunt. Give your child a paper or plastic bag with 2 or 3 shapes drawn on it (for example: circle, square, triangle). He/she has to look around and collect at least one object for each of the shapes drawn on the bag.