



Craft Activity

Theme: Shapes - Diamond

Intro: A diamond is a shape that has 4 sides and 4 corners. It can also be called a rhombus or parallelogram. Can you try and say those words?

Craft activity: Diamond-Shaped Kite

Children will need: Coloured cardboard or plastic sheet, 2 sticks, sticky tape, string, crepe paper.

Instructions: Cut paper or plastic sheet into a diamond shape. (see template attached) Sticky tape a stick across and then 1 down the centre of the kite. You may want to tie the 2 sticks together where they meet. Cut 2 long lengths of crepe paper and stick to the bottom point of the kite. This becomes the tail of the kite. Tape an extra long length of string to the top point of the kite. This is the "handle" to help fly your kite. Decorate your kite if you want to. Your kite is ready for flying.



Extension Idea: The kite can be made without using the sticks. Just attach the tail to the bottom and string to the top. Younger children may also need assistance with cutting out the kite shape.

Fact: Diamond is not only a shape, but also the name of a sparkly jewel.



Learning Outcome 4: Children are confident and involved learners.

Coordinator extension ideas and group time guide

Sensory activity: Bubble Wrap Prints

You will need: Bubble wrap cut into shapes of diamonds, paint and paint pots, paper or cardboard, paint brushes.

Instructions: Place paint into paint pots. Use brushes to paint the bubbles on the bubble wrap. Place the bubble wrap onto paper or card, paint side down.

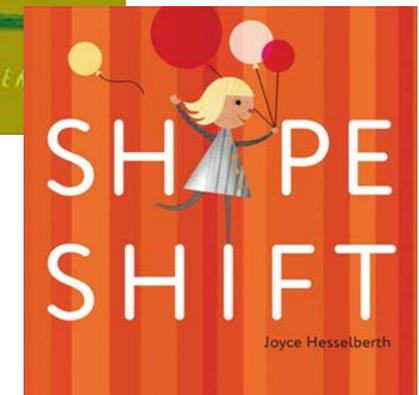
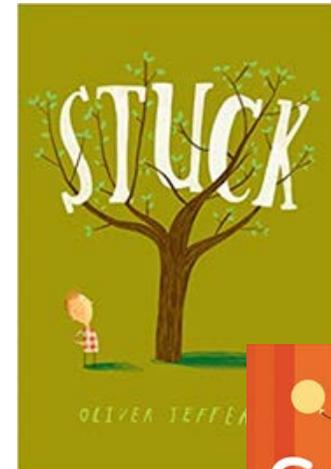
Outside Activity: Chalk drawings. Use chalk to practice drawing diamonds on the pavement or path outside. Try drawing large and small ones, in all different colours.

Group time ideas:

Can you make a diamond shape with your friends?

Can you find diamond shapes in the Play area?

Sing Twinkle Twinkle Little Star, and make the diamond shape using your fingers.



Book Suggestions:

Stuck by Oliver Jeffers

Shape Shift by Joyce Hesselberth