



## Craft Activity

**Theme:** Shapes - Circle

**Intro:** A circle is a simple closed shape. There are lots of circles around us. Learn more about Circles at Playgroup today.

**Craft activity:** Circle bears

**Children will need:** Coloured paper/card, Circle templates or pre-cut circles, Glue, Sticker eyes, Stickers, Textas or Coloured Pencils.

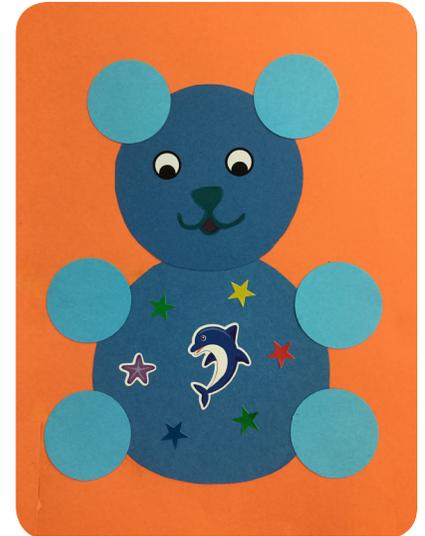
### Instructions:

Trace around circle templates and cut out circle shapes (6 small, 1 medium, 1 large) or use pre-cut ones. Glue circle shapes onto a piece of paper/card as per picture shown. Add some eyes and decorate your bear's body with stickers. Use textas or coloured pencils to add further detail e.g. mouth, nose, fingers, toes.

### Extension ideas:

Turn your bear picture into a door hanger. Add your name (e.g. Sam's Room) to your picture. Punch 2 holes in the top of your paper and thread and tie on a piece of ribbon. You can now hang it on your bedroom door handle. What types of bears do you know of?

**Fact:** Bubbles will always be spherical once blown from the bubble wand.



**Learning Outcome 4:** Children are confident & involved learners.



## Coordinator extension ideas and group time guide

### Sensory activity: Circle printing

**You will need:** Tray, paint, circle lids, paper, pencil.

You may like to print some of the Valentine's Day Playdough Mats and laminate them for children to use with the playdough.

#### Instructions:

Choose 2 colours of paint. Put a few squirts of each paint colour into the paint tray. Use a pencil to write child's name on the paper. Children can dip circle lids into paint and print the circles onto paper. Hang up to dry.



### Outside activity: Hop scotch using circle shapes or hoops.

Blowing bubbles. You may like provide different shaped bubble wands to see that a circle shape is always produced once blown from a bubble wand.

### Group time ideas:

Today we did some activities using the circle shape.

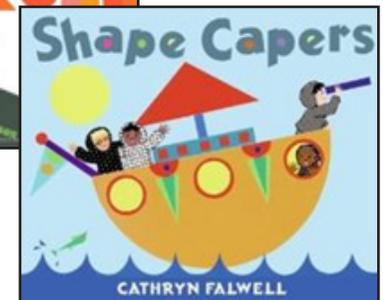
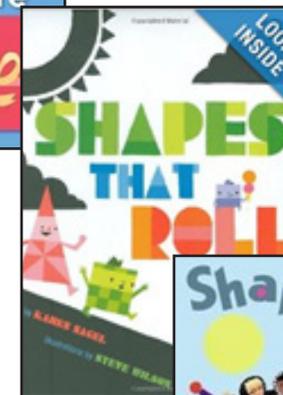
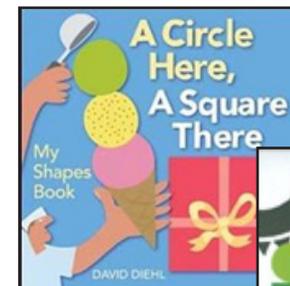
- Does anyone know of any other shapes?
- What shape is made when you blow bubbles?
- Who made a circle bear at craft time today?

### Book Suggestion:

A Circle Here, A Square There by David Diehl

Shapes that roll by Karen Nagel

Shape Capers by Cathryn Falwell





## The Rolling Circle Song

Tune: Have You Ever Seen A Lassie?

Actions: Draw circles in the air with your finger.

Have you ever seen a circle, a circle, a circle?

Have you ever seen a circle, which goes round and round?

It rolls this way and that way, and that way and this way.

Have you ever seen a circle, which goes round and round?

## Ring a Ring O' Roses

Make a big circle and hold hands as you sing:

Ring a ring o'roses,

A pocket full of posies,

A-tishoo! A-tishoo!

We all fall down.

The cows are in the meadow

Eating buttercups,

A-tishoo! A-tishoo!

We all jump up.

## Five Little Bears: Counting up

One little bear

Wondering what to do

Along came another

Then there were two!

Two little bears

Climbing up a tree

Along came another

Then there were three!

Three little bears

Ate an apple core

Along came another

Then there were four!

Four little bears

Found honey in a hive

Along came another

Then there were five!

Be my Valentine!

## Five Little Bears: Counting Down

Five little bears

Heard a loud roar

One ran away

Then there were four!

Four little bears

Climbing up a tree

One slid down

Then there were three!

Three little bears

Deciding what to do

One fell asleep

Then there were two!

Two little bears

Having lots of fun

One went home

Then there was one!

One little bear

By himself in the sun

Ran to his mum

Then there were none!

# Playgroup SA Theme #6 Shapes Circle - Templates

