

Learning shapes with preschoolers

Children love playing with popsicle sticks! Add Velcro dots to the ends and they can create patterns and shapes and learn basic geometry skills. In the process of building children will learn: numbers and counting, colours, shapes, patterning, creativity, and language.

Top side: loops



Bottom side: hooks

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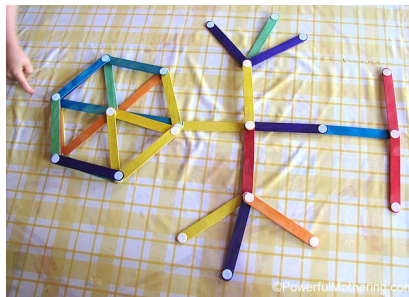


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Children can be offered the coloured sticks and an adult show them how to stick them together. The adult may need to assist with the building until the child is competent on their own. Building without rules is fun!



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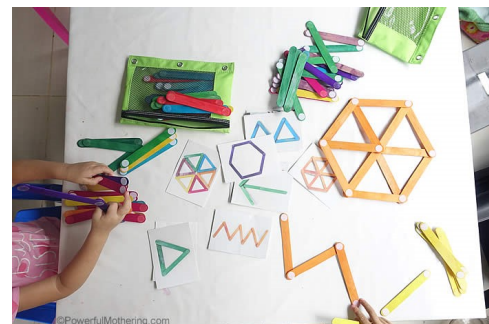
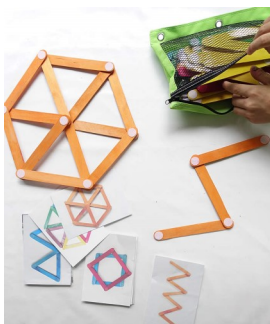


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As the child increases their ability the next step may be adding sample cards for the child to copy. The skills learned expand to include: problem solving, following directions, independent thinking, motor coordination, and dexterity. They may need these skills to follow a map some day, or build a project!



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