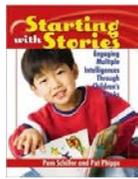


# Resources for a Shapes Storytime

## Resource Books

### Starting With Stories: Engaging Multiple Intelligences Through Children's Books



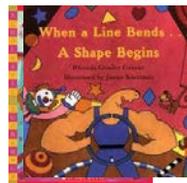
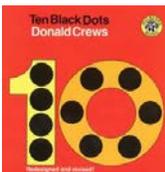
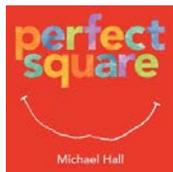
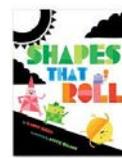
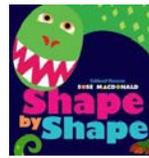
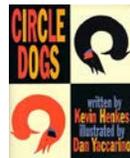
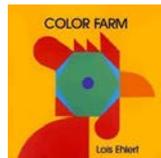
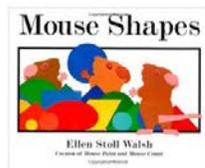
by Pam Schiller and Pat Phipps

Pam Schiller's Starting With Stories is an excellent resource to use in developing storytimes for the diverse audiences you will encounter in public libraries.

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## Books



Mouse Shapes by Ellen Stohl Walsh (Big Book)

Color Farm by Lois Ehlert

Circle Dogs by Kevin Henkes

Shapes, Shapes Shapes by Tana Hoban

Shape by Shape by Suse Macdonald

Shapes That Roll by Karen Nagel

Perfect Square by Michael Hall

Ship Shapes by Stella Blackstone

Ten black Dots by Donald Crews

The Greedy Triangle by Marilyn Burns

When a Line Bends . . . A Shape Begins by Rhonda Gowler Greene

## Songs and Fingerplays

### **I Can See Shapes**

*(Tune: London Bridge)*

I can see a circle shape, circle shape, circle shape

I can see a circle shape, how about you?

*(Little square, triangle, rectangle, diamond)*

**“Where Is...?”**

*(Tune: Where Is Thumbkin?)*

Where is triangle? Where is triangle?

Here I am. Here I am.

How are you today, sir?

Very well, I thank you.

Run away. Run away.

*(Circle, rectangle, square, diamond)*

**“Make a Circle, Draw a Square”**

*(Tune: Oh My Darling Clementine)*

Make a circle, make a circle, draw it in the sky

Use your finger, use your finger, make it round as pie

Make a square, Make a square, make the lines so straight

Draw a square, draw a square, draw one or draw eight

Draw a triangle, draw a triangle, always start at the top

Make a tent, make a tent, use three lines and then stop!

**Triangles...**

*(Jingle Bells)*

Triangles, triangles,

Have three sides.

Triangles, triangles,

Have three sides.

You can draw big triangles

In the air,

It is fun to use your hands

And make them anywhere.

**One Blue Square...**

*(Three Blind Mice)*

One blue square, one blue square,

See how it's shaped, see how it's shaped.

Four big corners it does have,

Four big corners it does have.

One blue square, one blue square.

**Make A Shape...**

*(The Mulberry Bush)*

This is the way we make a square,

Make a square, make a square,

This is the way we make a square,

So early in the mourning.

### **The Rolling Circle Song...**

(Have You Ever Seen A Lassie?)

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 this way and that way.

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

### **Shapes Hokey Pokey**

Put a red (name of shape) in,

Put a red (name of shape) in,

Put a red (name of shape) in,

And shake it all about.

Do the hokey pokey

And turn yourself around-

That's what it's all about.

### **Draw for Me**

Draw a circle, round as can be (draw circle in the air)

Draw a circle, just for me! (point to self)

Draw a square, shaped like a door (draw a square in the air)

Draw a square, with corners four! (hold up 4 fingers)

Draw a triangle, with corners three (draw a triangle in the air) Draw a triangle, just for me! (point to self)

### **Do You Know What Shape this Is?**

(Give each child a different shape to hold up at the appropriate time during the song)

(storyteller holds up a square)

*(London Bridge)*

Do you know what shape this is?

Shape this is? Shape this is?

Do you know what shape this is and do you have one too?

If you do, then give it a shake, give it a shake, give it a shake,

If you do then give it a shake and shout out "hooray for Squares!"

(storyteller holds up a triangle)

Do you know what shape this is?

Shape this is? Shape this is?

Do you know what shape this is and do you have one too?

If you do, then give it a shake, give it a shake, give it a shake,

If you do then give it a shake and shout out "hooray for Triangles"

(storyteller holds up a circle)

Do you know what shape this is?

Shape this is? Shape this is?

Do you know what shape this is and do you have one too?

If you do, then give it a shake, give it a shake, give it a shake,  
If you do then give it a shake and shout out “hooray for Circles”

Final verse:

Now we know all our shapes, all our shapes, all our shapes  
Now we know all our shapes, shake them all and say “hooray”!

### **Square Chant**

*Give each child a square block to do the actions of the chant.*

Put your square shapes in the air, (hold in the air)  
Hold it high and keep it there. (continue to hold over head)  
Put your square shape on your back, (reach back and put square on back)  
Now lay it on your lap. (put square on lap)  
Put your square shape on your toes, (touch square to toes)  
Now hold it by your nose. (touch square to nose)  
Hold your square shape in your hand, (stretch out hand in front of you)  
Now everyone please stand. (have children stand up)  
Wave your square shape at the door (face door and shake square)  
Now touch your square to the floor. (touch square to floor in front of you)  
Hold your square in your hand and jump, jump, jump, (hold square and jump up and down)  
Now toss your square shape way, way up (toss square up in front of you)

### **Shapes**

I am Suzy Circle.  
I'm happy as can be.  
I go round and round.  
Can you see?

Sammy Square is my name.  
My four sides are just the same.  
Turn me around, I don't care.  
I'm always the same.  
I'm Sammy Square.

I'm Tommy Triangle.  
Look at me!  
Count my sides.  
One, two, three.

### **Shapes Song**

*(sing to the tune of “The Wheels on the Bus”)*

A circle is a shape that goes round and round,  
Round and round, round and round.  
A circle is a shape that goes round and round,  
Round and round.

A triangle is a shape with three sides,  
Three sides, three sides.  
A triangle is a shape with three sides,  
Three sides.

A square is a shape with four sides,  
Four sides, four sides,  
A square is a shape with four sides,  
Four sides.

## **Sensory and Movement Activities**

**Musical Shapes:** Youngsters develop shape awareness with this engaging idea! Cut several supersize shapes from poster board; then laminate the shapes for durability. Scatter the shapes on the floor in your circle-time area. Play a recording of lively music and encourage little ones to dance. When you stop the music, call out a shape that was called. To aid little learners in finding the correct shape, hold up a small cutout identical to the large one that was called.

**Block Shapes:** Use a felt tip marker to trace around several different sizes and shapes of blocks on a piece of posterboard. Let the children take turns matching the blocks to the corresponding tracings.

**Clip the Tubes:** Cut cardboard tubes into 2-inch lengths. Set out the tubes and a box of clothespins. Have the children use the clothespins to clip the tubes together anyway they wish. Or encourage them to try making simple shapes such as worms or flowers.

## **Craft Ideas**

**Marble Paintings:** Place a piece of drawing paper in the bottom of a shallow box. Place a couple of marbles into a cup of tempera paint and coat them with paint. Remove the marbles with a spoon and drop them into the box. Show the child how to rotate the box to make the marbles move back and forth. A great design will result. Discuss the roundness of the marbles and how being round helps the marbles roll.

**Shape Rubbings:** Cut shapes out of sandpaper. Place the sandpaper shapes under drawing paper and encourage the children to make crayon rubbings by rubbing a crayon over the shapes. Discuss the shapes as the children create their pictures.

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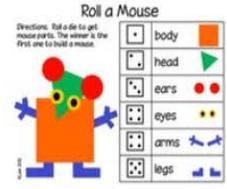
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