### **Introduction to Shapes and Patterns**

Welcome to the world of shapes and patterns! This lesson plan is designed to introduce 7-year-old students to the exciting world of math, where they will learn to identify, create, and extend various shapes and patterns. The key learning focus of this lesson is to recognize and apply basic shapes and patterns in reallife scenarios, fostering a deep understanding of mathematical concepts and their practical applications.

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#### **Lesson Plan: Exploring Shapes and Patterns**

#### Minutes 1-5: Introduction and Shape Scavenger Hunt

- Introduce the topic of shapes and patterns
- · Ask students what they know about these concepts
- · Write their responses on the board and address any misconceptions
- Explain that today, we will be going on a shape scavenger hunt to find different shapes in the classroom or at home
- Provide each student with a worksheet containing pictures of different shapes and ask them to find and identify each shape in the room

#### Minutes 6-10: Shape Sorting and Pattern Blocks

- Introduce the concept of shape sorting, where students will sort different shapes into categories (e.g., squares, circles, triangles)
- Use a variety of materials, such as wooden blocks, foam shapes, or shape cards, to make the activity engaging and interactive
- Ask students to describe the characteristics of each shape, promoting mathematical vocabulary and critical thinking

#### Minutes 11-15: Pattern Creation

- Introduce the concept of patterns, explaining that a pattern is a sequence of shapes or colors that repeats
- Use a variety of materials, such as colored blocks, shape cards, or pattern blocks, to demonstrate how to create simple patterns
- Ask students to work in pairs to create their own patterns, encouraging them to use different shapes, colors, and objects

### **Teaching Strategies and Activities**

To make the lesson engaging and interactive, consider the following teaching strategies and activities:

- Use real-life examples to illustrate the concept of shapes and patterns
- Make the lesson interactive by providing students with hands-on activities, such as shape sorting toys, pattern blocks, and math games
- Use technology, such as computers or tablets, to provide students with interactive math games and activities
- Provide feedback and encouragement, highlighting students' strengths and areas for improvement
- Differentiate instruction to cater to different learning styles and abilities



#### **Assessment and Evaluation**

To assess student understanding, consider the following assessment and evaluation strategies:

- · Observe student participation during activities and review their worksheets and projects
- · Use quizzes and tests to evaluate student knowledge and understanding
- Provide feedback and encouragement, highlighting students' strengths and areas for improvement
- · Use rubrics and scoring guides to assess student work and provide constructive feedback

### **Extension Activities and Resources**

To extend the lesson and provide additional resources, consider the following activities and resources:

- Shape-themed games and puzzles
- · Pattern blocks and shape sorting toys
- Math apps and online resources
- Shape-themed art and design activities
- Real-life examples and applications of shapes and patterns



### **Conclusion and Reflection**

In conclusion, exploring shapes and patterns with fun math activities is a great way to introduce 7-year-old students to the exciting world of math. Through interactive and engaging activities, students can develop their problem-solving skills, hand-eye coordination, and mathematical vocabulary, setting them up for success in their future academic pursuits.

### **Appendices: Additional Resources and Templates**

The following appendices provide additional resources and templates to support the lesson:

- Shape sorting worksheet
- Pattern creation template
- Shape-themed game and puzzle templates
- Math app and online resource list
- Shape-themed art and design activity templates

