

At the zoo

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At the zoo, there are many different types of animals.

Some have 2 legs, some have 4 legs, some have more than 4 legs and some have none at all!

Can you and your family think of all the zoo animals you like?

How many legs does each one have?

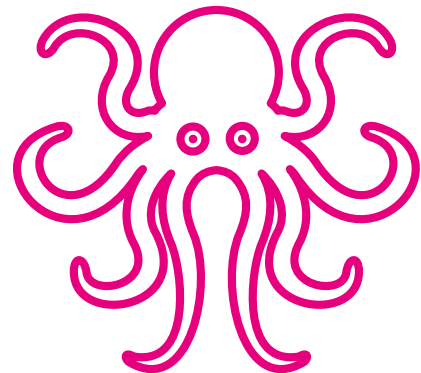
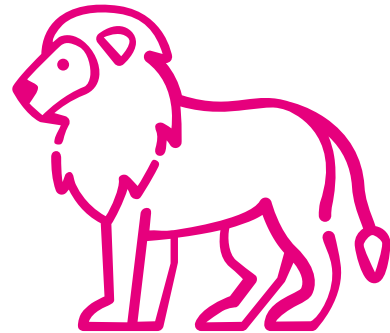
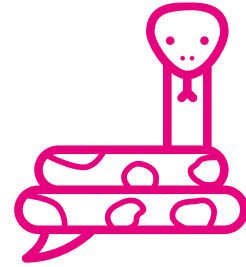
Try to group them according to the number of legs.

You could draw:

- *A picture*
- *A pictogram*
- *A tally chart*
- *Bar charts or a table.*

Could you think of an animal for each group?
Which group had the most?

How many more had 4 legs than had no legs?



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Silly string

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What you will need:

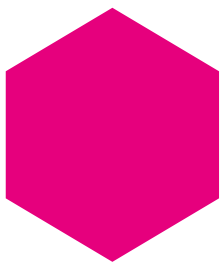
- A ball of string or a long rope
- Imagination



All players should stand in a circle and hold on to the string or rope with both hands, with one person holding on to each end of the rope to make a closed circle.

Nominate someone different each time to call out a shape so that the whole group has to move the string or rope into position to make that shape.

Here are some shapes to get you going:



Hexagon



Square



Heart



Star



Rectangle

Finding it too easy? Try to create different shapes without talking, or try it blindfolded!

What did everyone like or dislike about this activity?

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Colour the shapes

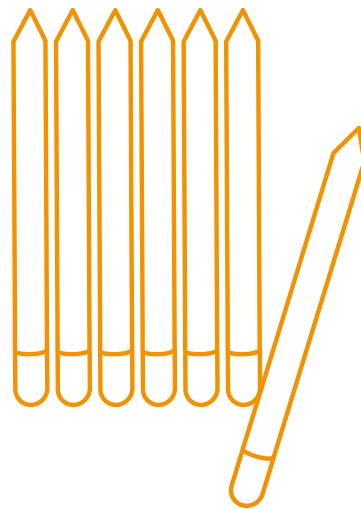
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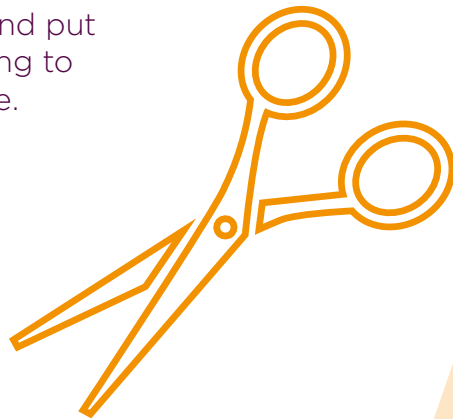
- Colouring pens / pencils
- Scissors (for additional activity)

A simple colouring activity for your little ones. Print the following sheet and take some time out for yourself whilst they bring these shapes to life with colour.



For an additional activity, try counting how many sides each shape has.

You could cut them out and put them into groups according to how many sides they have.



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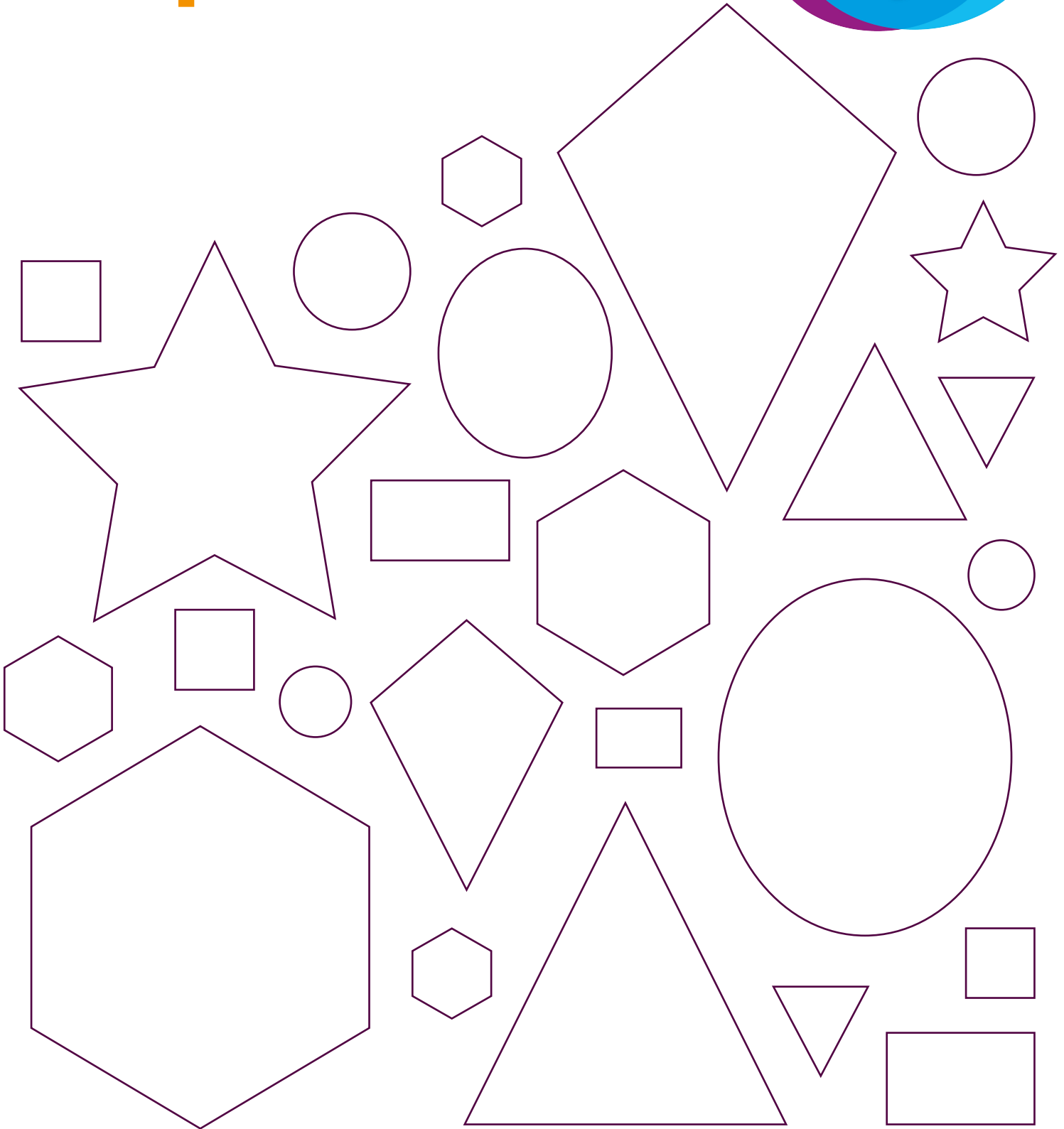


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