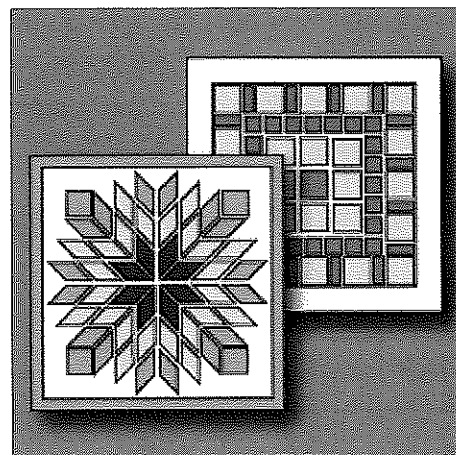


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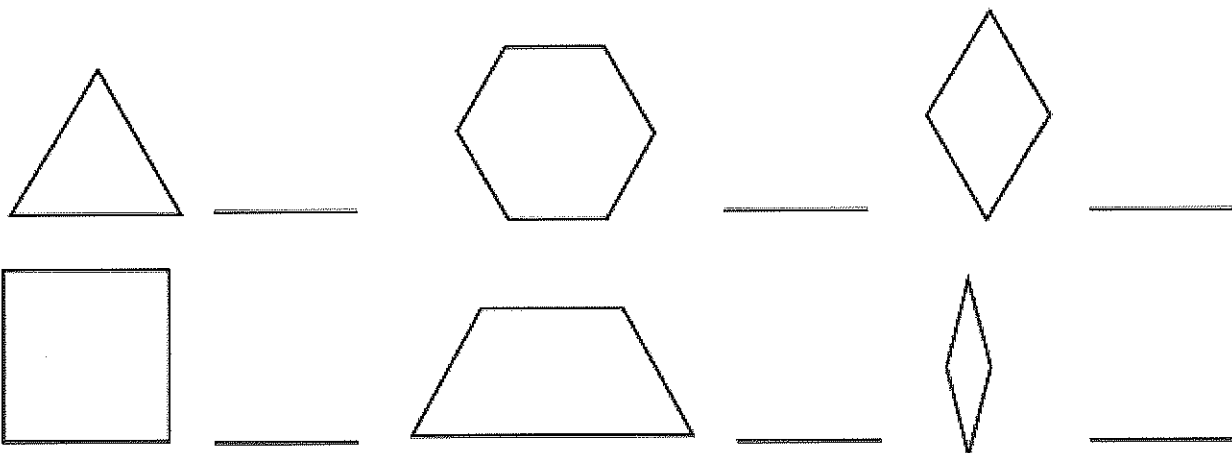
A mosaic is a picture made of small pieces, called tiles. People have been designing mosaics for thousands of years. Ancient Roman crafters made mosaic floors in houses and public buildings. Today, people still design and enjoy mosaics on floors, on walls, and as works of art. Some mosaics use tiny tiles to create pictures that look like paintings. Others use geometrical shapes and repeating patterns. You will make a geometrical mosaic, using cut out pattern blocks for tiles.



Think about what your mosaic could be used for. Do you think it should be a floor? An artwork to put in a frame? A design for wallpaper? First, explore how the different shapes fit together.

Next, choose some shapes- you are free to choose how many you want to use- and make a repeating pattern. Then, draw your pattern onto your paper and color in the shapes. Your mosaic does not have to be a square or rectangle. It can be rounded, or it can have uneven edges. Finally, prepare a response to the following questions using complete sentences:

1. How many of each shape did you use?



2. What was difficult about starting your mosaic?
3. Was it challenging to fit the shapes together?
4. Why did you make this design?
5. What would you use your mosaic for?

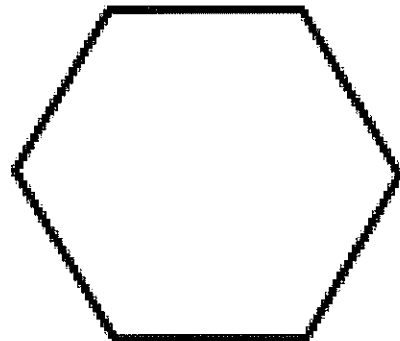
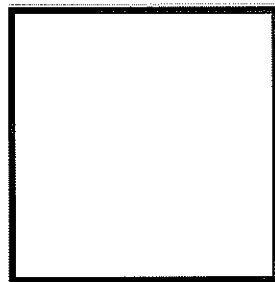
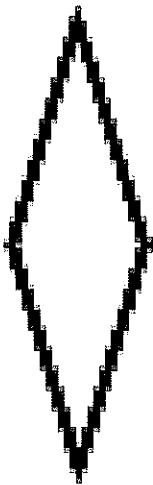
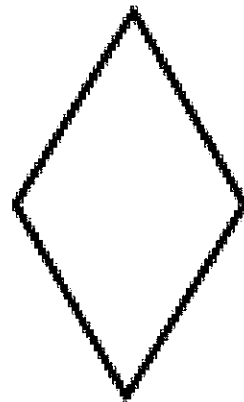
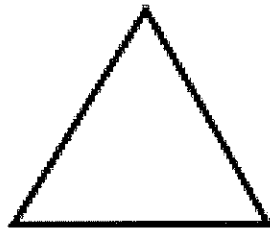
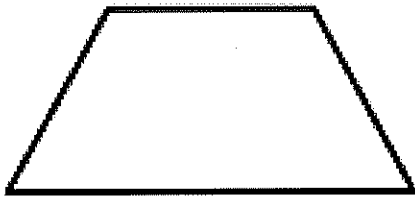
Challenge: Make wallpaper!

Your mosaic is no bigger than a piece of paper. What if it were so big that it could cover a wall? Use the biggest size paper you can find. Repeat your mosaic pattern until the paper is full. When you get to the edges of the paper, use only part of the next shape or shapes.

Turn in your work with the rubric on the second page.

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Mosaic Rubric	3	2	1
Design- Is my work neat and well made?			
Creativity Is my work my own idea?			
Response Are my answers clear and concise?			
Application Did I do my best?			
Overall Score /12			



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