



Unit 1: All About Me

Week 3: Show Me Your Shapes!

LENGTH OF AT-HOME ACTIVITY: 10 to 15 minutes

YOU'LL NEED: The book *My Blue Is Happy* by Catia Chen and Jessica Young, one of your child's favorite toys, and a pencil (optional).

ACTIVITY STEPS:

TALK to your child about shapes. Looking at your child's favorite toy together, name the shapes that make up that toy. For example, a teddy bear is made of many circles and ovals: his eyes, ears, nose, belly. What other shapes can you find on the toy?

READ *My Blue Is Happy* again, looking just at the pictures this time. Point out shapes together on each page. See how many different kinds of shapes you can find! Try finding objects made up of more than one kind of shape.

TIP: Check out the dragon on the red page. What shapes make up his ears, teeth, eyes, and scales?

ASK QUESTIONS: Ask and wait 3-5 seconds for an answer. Example questions:

How many sides does a triangle have? A square? *Find the shape on a page in the book, then count the sides of the shape together.*

How is a square different from a rectangle? How is a circle different from an oval?

CONNECT: Looking at your child's favorite toy, see if you can find other objects in the room that have the same shapes as the toy. Allow your child to explore the room, or go outside on a walk to look for the shapes together.

OPTIONAL FOLLOW UP ACTIVITY: Ask your child to read the book *My Blue Is Happy* to you! It's okay if his or her story is different. Allow your child to create a story from his or her imagination using the pictures in the book.

WRITING EXTENSION: On the back of this page, write out names of shapes in pencil. You can write them, or you can allow your child to trace your letters. Leave space by each word. Once you've listed a few shapes, allow your child to draw the shapes next to the word.

CONGRATULATIONS, PARENT!

You've completed a Virtual Pre-K lesson!

Congratulate your child and remember to read together before bed!