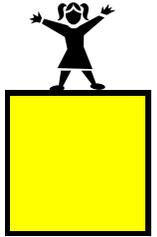


# Perry Public Library Story Time

## Alphabet Shapes



*\*Learning to recognize shapes is one of the first steps to learning the alphabet.*



### **Stories we shared:**

Spotted Yellow Frogs - Matthew Van Fleet  
Shapes Around Us - Daniel Nunn

Shape By Shape - Suse Macdonald

### **More stories to share:**

What is shape? - Benduhn, Tea

What am I? - Charles, N. N.

Shapes - Court, Rob

Colors and Shapes - Love, Jessica

Colors and shapes - Owen, Ruth

Shapes - Pistoia, Sara

Shapes in sports - Rissman, Rebecca

Shapes in buildings - Rissman, Rebecca

Circles - Sarfatti, Esther

Squares - Sarfatti, Esther

My first word book - Wilkes, Angela

Shape - Pluckrose, Henry Arthur

Wing on a flea : a book about shapes - Emberley, Ed

Look around! : a book about shapes - Fisher, Leonard

Bees, snails, & peacock tails - Franco, Betsy

I spy shapes in art - Micklethwait, Lucy

Symmetry - Peppas, Lynn

Colors and shapes = Colores y formas - Petelinsek, Kathleen

Shapes in art - Rissman, Rebecca

Shapes in the garden - Rissman, Rebecca

Rectangles - Sarfatti, Esther

Triangles - Sarfatti, Esther

Learn about shapes - World Book, Inc

Why does the moon change its shape? - Murphy, Patricia



### **Early Literacy Extras:**

- ✓ Help your child think of words that rhyme with “shape” and like “ape” and “cape ” – make up silly rhymes with these words. Find rhymes for other shape words like square and bear, or cone and phone.
- ✓ Help your child find things that start with the “SH”- sound (sheep, ship, share, shoulder, shoe ) all around the house.
- ✓ Find a quilt or patterned blanket. Help your child find all of the different colors, shapes, and patterns. Noticing these differences helps in learning the different shapes of letters and numbers.
- ✓ Look for shapes all over the house – have a shape of the day hunt!
- ✓ Make Yoga body shapes
- ✓ The sense of rhythm obtained from listening to songs and rhymes will help your child to identify patterns, like rhyming words, which will help them learn to read. Because songs automatically break down words into smaller sounds through tones, singing with your child is one of the best ways develop early literacy skills. Sing songs about shapes such as the ones on the following pages.

## ***Songs and rhymes to share:***

### **The Big Round Sun**

The big round sun in a winter sky *(circle with arms)*  
Winked at a cloud that was passing by *(wink eye)*  
The little cloud laughed as it scattered rain *(flutter fingers down)*  
Then out came the big round sun again *(circle with arms)*

### **Circle Song**

(to the tune of: "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 that way and this way.  
Have you ever seen a circle, which goes round and round?

### **Shapes**

(to the tune of: "Frere Jacques")  
This is a square, this is a square,  
How can you tell? How can you tell?  
It has four sides,  
All the same size.  
It's a Square, It's a Square.

This is a circle, this is a circle.  
How can you tell? How can you tell?  
It goes round and round,  
No end can be found.  
It's a circle, It's a circle.

This is a triangle, this is a triangle.  
How can you tell? How can you tell?  
It only has three sides,  
That join to make three points.  
It's a Triangle, It's a triangle.

This is a Rectangle, This is a rectangle.  
How can you tell? How can you tell?  
It has two short sides  
And it has two long sides.  
It's a rectangle, It's a rectangle.

### **Draw A Circle** *(draw shapes in the air)*

Draw a circle, draw a circle  
Round as can be  
Draw a circle, draw a circle  
Just like me  
Draw a rectangle, draw a rectangle  
Shaped like a door  
Draw a rectangle, draw a rectangle  
Just like me  
Draw a triangle, draw a triangle  
With corners three  
Draw a triangle, draw a triangle  
Just like me



**Triangle Body!**



**Circle Arms!**