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# SHAPE TRILOGY ACTIVITY KIT



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### **STORYTIME IDEAS**

Mac Barnett and Jon Klassen's wry and resonant books about Triangle, Square, and Circle are perfect read-alouds for story hours. Use the following tips and activity pages to create a fun storytime event starring this award-winning geometric gang.

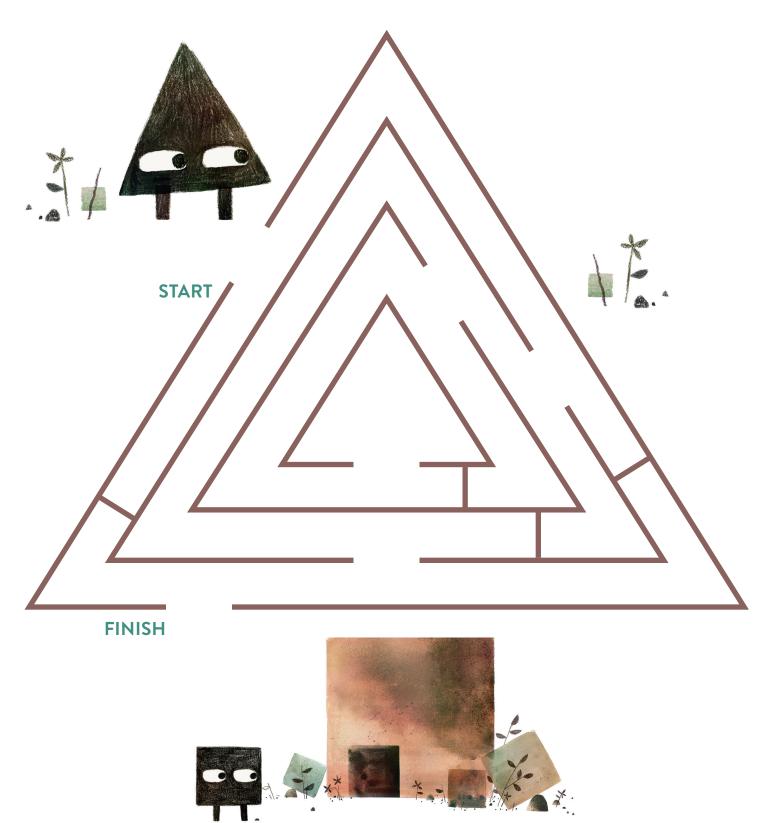
- After reading the books aloud, talk about the characters. Each shape has his/her own distinct personality – how would the kids describe each one? Which character does each child like best, and why?
- Discuss the endings of the three books. How would the kids answer each question posed?
- Have the children work together using their bodies to create each of the three shapes.
- Looking around your event space, have the kids notice and identify all the circles, squares, and triangles they can find.
  - Write a group story about a fourth character, Rectangle.
- Invite kids to play each character and silently act out the stories as you read them aloud again.
- Play a game of hide and seek with the children, but make sure that – unlike Triangle – they all follow the rules!





#### TRIANGLE MAZE

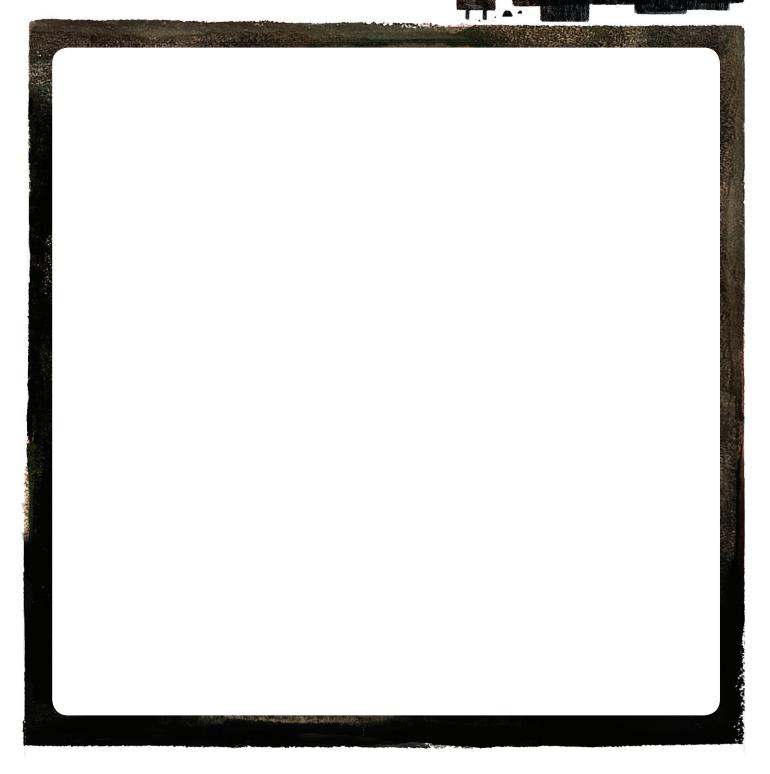
Help Triangle find his way to Square's house.





## **SQUARE ART**

Circle thinks Square is a genius – a sculptor who shapes blocks into art. In the space below, draw your own work of art using only squares.





### **CIRCLE GARLAND**

Circle is very brave. She slips behind a waterfall and into a dark cave to rescue Triangle when he doesn't follow the rules.

Make a banner to hang in your room to remind yourself to be brave, like Circle.

> Print this page on card stock using a color printer. Cut out the circles and tape them along a ribbon or string to spell Be-B-R-A-V-E. Add Circle to your garland, too.

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### DRAW TRIANGLE, SQUARE, AND CIRCLE

Use a pencil or crayon to draw two different versions of each character. How can you change their expressions just by where you draw the pupils of their eyes?

