

2.17 Make a paper boat

Topic: Shapes

Subtopic: 2D shapes

Activity type/skill: Ordering instructions

Literacy focus: Reading

Genre: Instructions

Objective

- Recognise the importance of order.
- Identify relationship of illustrations to instructions.

What you need

- Student worksheet (see next page)

What to do

1. Talk about the importance of following the correct order of instructions.
2. Look back at the instructions in previous activities. Have students talk about what would be the result of not following the order. Compare the first part of the tangram instructions in Activity 2.16 (where order is important) with the second part (where order is not important).
3. Talk about the importance of illustrations.
4. Look back at the instructions for the card in Activity 2.14. Ask students if they could make the card without reference to the illustrations.
5. Look at the top of the student worksheet – remind students to look for numbers and pictures when they are following instructions.
6. Look at the bottom section of the student worksheet and explain that the pictures are not in the correct order:
 - Individual students: Ask them to write the number of the instruction that matches each illustration in the circle.
 - Pairs of students: Cut up the numbers, instructions and pictures and ask them to reconstruct the text by putting it in the correct order. Encourage discussion.

Answers:

2
7
4
1
3
8
5
6

Extending the activity

- Cut up more sets of instructions that have matching illustrations and use them for shared activities as above.
- Place all the pieces face down and play Memory, matching pictures and illustrations and then reassemble the text in order.

Activity seventeen

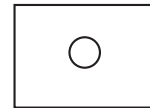


Look for numbers! Look for pictures!

1 Take piece of paper.



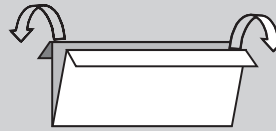
2 Draw circle in the centre.



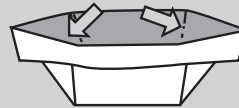
A paper boat

You need a piece of A4 paper.

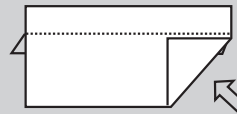
1. Fold the paper in half lengthwise.



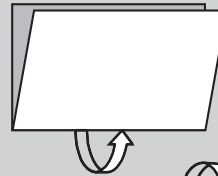
2. Fold back the top edges of the paper.



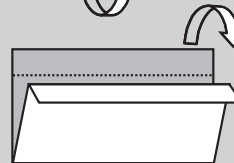
3. Unfold the top edge of one side so you have a fold line.



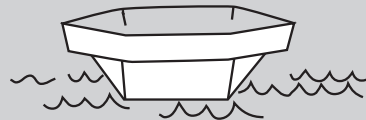
4. Fold the bottom right-hand corner up to just under the fold line.



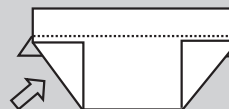
5. Fold the bottom left-hand corner up to just under the fold line.



6. Fold the top edge of the paper back along the fold line.



7. Open your boat and make the bottom flat.



8. Put your boat in some water to see how it floats.

