## GEOMETRY AND ART

Teaching notes

## Lesson 1: FLAT SHAPES

| $4^{\text {th }}$ session: Guess the shape |  |
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| To classify and understand properties of shapes by |
| defining their attributes. |
| - To be aware of shapes in a piece of art. |
| - To develop the children's imagination. |

shape. It has no corners.
What is it?/What do you think I have got in my hands?.
This shape have got 5 sides
This shape has got 5 corners.
All the sides are straight sides.
All the sides are the same length.
What is it?/ What do you think I have got in my hands?
This shape have got 6 sides
This shape has got 6 corners.
All the sides are straight sides.
All the sides are the same length.
What is it?/ What do you think I have got in my hands?
This shape have got 4 sides
This shape has got 4 corners.
All the sides are straight sides.
All the sides are the same length.
What is it?/ What do you think I have got in my hands? $2^{\text {nd }}$ activity:
Game:'The odd one out' (odd_one_out.ppt)
Watch the power point to play this game. Children say the name of the shape when it appears and the teacher asks for the odd shape when the three shapes are on the screen. Ask some questions to help them to explain why they make this decision.
For example:

- Shapes with different colours (two red shapes and a yellow one). The dialogue with the pupil can be:
- What colour is this shape? Red
- What colour is this shape? Yellow
- What colour is this shape? Red
- So, which is the odd shape? Yellow.
- What the name of the odd one?
- Two 4 sided-shapes and one 3 sided-shape (all the same colour).
The dialogue can be as follows:
- What colour is the triangle? Red
- What colour is the square? Red
- What colour is the rectangle? Red
- So, we need to find another feature,
- How many sides has the square got? 4
- How many sides has the rectangle got? 4
- How many sides has triangle got? 3
- So, which is the odd one? The triangle.
Etc.
$3^{\text {rd }} \quad$ activity: A work of art: Concentric circles
(concentric_circles_Kandinsky.ppt)
(Slides 1 and 2) Show the children the painting 'Squares
with Concentric Circles' by Wassily Kandinsky. Encourage
the pupils to take time to look and to talk about what they
see in the artist's work.
The following questions should be drawn upon as a starting
point:
- What shapes can you see? (circles and squares)
- What colours can you see?
(Slides 3-9) Introduce the resources for painting. Tell the
children that they are going to make pictures using shapes
in the Kandinsky's style. Point out the colours available and
encourage them to use a variety of colours in their work.
Demonstrate the way the work can be started by using
squares of black paper and painting a circle using an anti-
clockwise motion in a chosen colour. Add another circle

