

Describe Turns – Practical Activities

Advice and ideas

Maths

Provide a range of 2D shapes. Ask children to draw round them after a quarter, half, three-quarter and full turn. Discuss which shapes always look the same, and which shapes look different when turned.

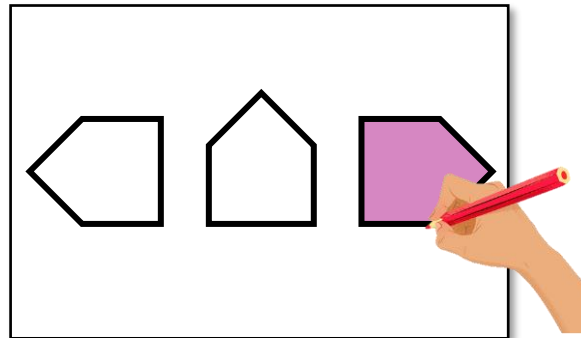
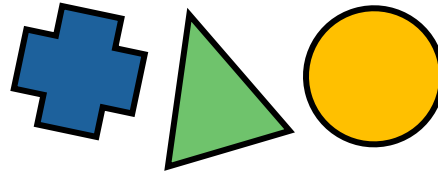
Writing

Ask children to explore the surroundings and write a list of things that turn, such as; a door handle, tap, clock, scissors or bottle top. Discuss what sort of turn they can each make.

Maths



Turn and draw.



Writing



List objects that turn.



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Small World

Ask children to design and build a road or train track that includes a number of different turns. What turns will their vehicle need to make to travel along the track?

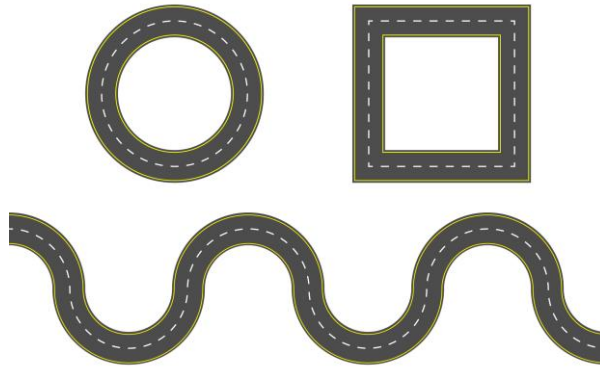
Malleable

Using playdough and cutters, ask children to make prints by turning the shapes a quarter turn, half turn, three-quarter turn and full turn. Do any of the prints look the same after turning?

Small World



Design a route with turns.



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Malleable



Turn and print.



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Creative

Provide 3D shapes. Ask children to create flowers by using the shapes to print the petals, turning the shapes as they rotate round the centre. What type of turns have they made?

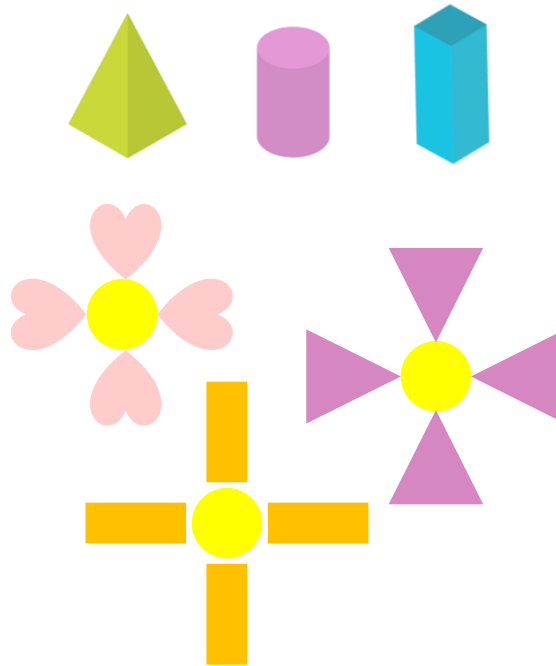
Construction

Using construction equipment, ask children to create a model that has a moving part that turns. Can their model make all four types of turns?

Creative



Turn and print.



Construction



Build a model that turns.

