

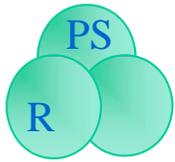


# Parents Problem Solving

## Bromley Heath Infants

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**Gather/Organise**  
What do I know?

**Identify**  
What is the task?

**Learn from experience**  
What have I learned?

**Generate**  
How many ideas  
can I think of?

**Communicate**  
Tell someone

# Problem Solving

**Evaluate**  
How well did I do it?

**Decide**  
Which is the best  
idea?

**Implement**  
Do it

# Types of Problems

- Listing all possibilities
- Finding rules and patterns
- Diagram and Visual puzzles
- Logic problems
- Word Problems

## Listing all possibilities - Y1

### Jug of Orange

- A jug holds 10 glasses of orange juice.



- Emma fills some glasses for her friends.
- Ben fills some glasses for his friends.
- There are 3 glasses of juice left in the jug.
- How many glasses could Emma and Ben each have filled?

## Giraffes Can't Dance

Some lions, hippos and giraffes have come to the waterhole.



There are 10 animals altogether and at least 2 lions and an even number of hippos.

How many of each type of animal could be there?

Find all the different ways?

## Balloon Puzzle

Jessica and Simon were blowing up balloons for Gareth's birthday.

There were at least two of each.

Some balloons had 3 spots on some had 5 spots.

There were 31 spots altogether.

How many balloons had 3 spots and how many had 5 spots?

What if there were 24 spots?

What if there were 65 spots?

# Repeating Patterns



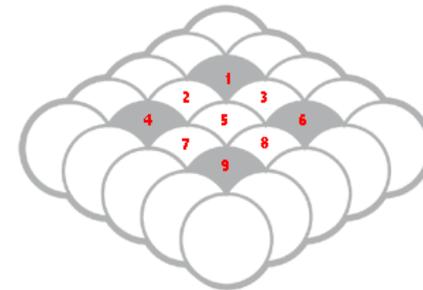
What pattern can you see?  
What will come next? Why?



What about this pattern?

## Finding Rules and Patterns –Year 2 – Fruity Pyramid (Handa's Surprise)

Handa stacks her tangerines in her basket in a pyramid. The bottom layer of the pyramid looks like this



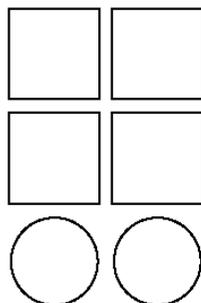
The pyramid has four more layers.  
How many tangerines are on each layer ?  
How many are in the pyramid altogether ?

# Logic Puzzles

## Sudoku

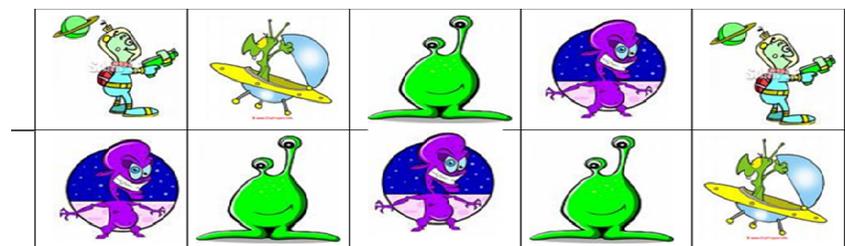
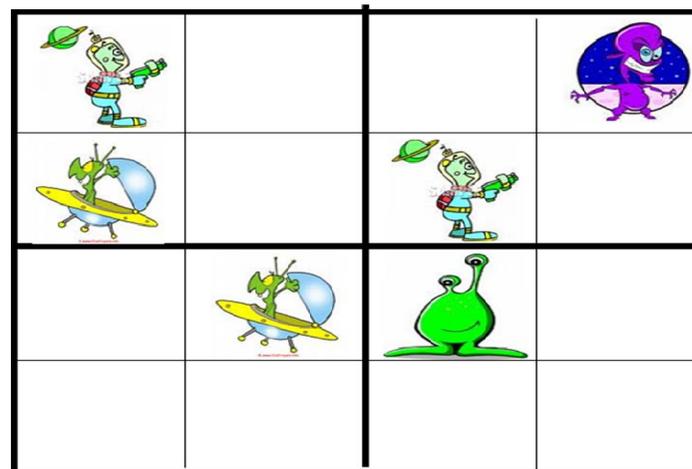
### Coloured shapes

What colour is each shape?  
Write it on the shape.

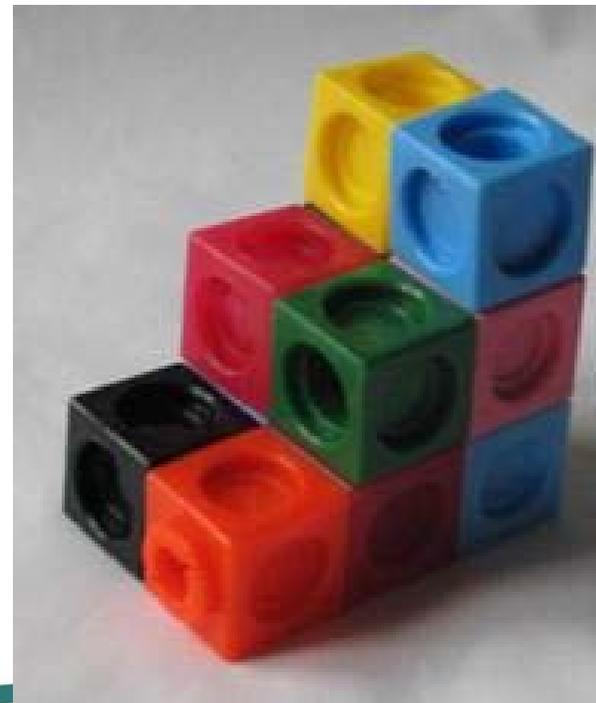
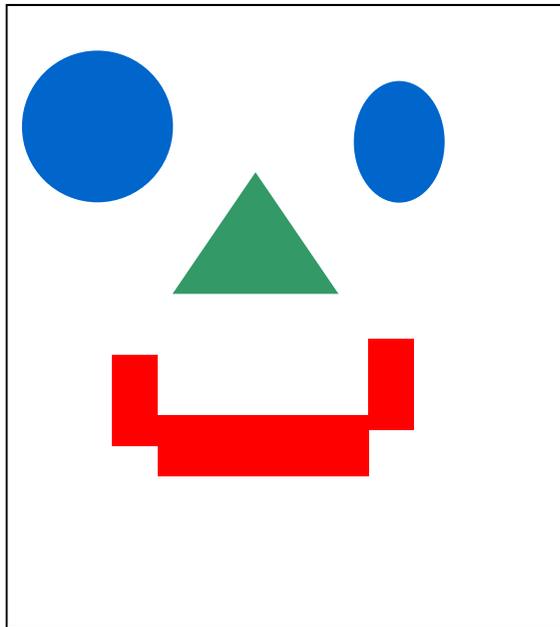


### Clues

- ◆ Red is not next to grey.
- ◆ Blue is between white and grey.
- ◆ Green is not a square.
- ◆ Blue is on the right of pink.



Choose or make a mathematical image.  
Describe it for a colleague to draw/make

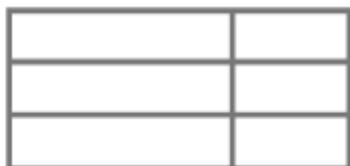


## Spot the shapes 1

1. How many triangles can you count?



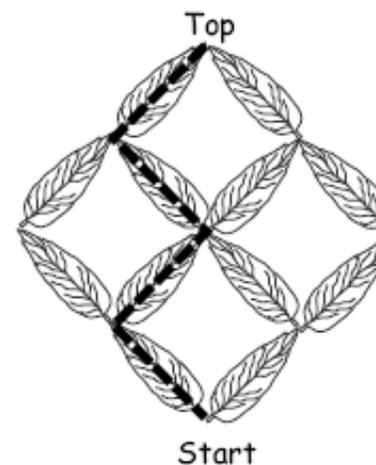
2. How many rectangles can you count?



3. Draw your own diagram to count triangles.  
How many can a friend find?  
Can you find more?

## Jack and the beanstalk

Jack climbed the beanstalk.  
He always went upwards.



He first did it like this: left, right, left, right.

Find five other ways that Jack can climb the beanstalk.

# Word Problems.....

- Kajal has 10p more than me. I have 38p. How much does Kajal have? There are 18 gloves in the cloakroom. How many pairs of gloves might that be?
- There are 12 biscuits in a pack. Sam ate  $\frac{1}{4}$  of them. How many did he eat?
- Tom's small birthday cake is divided equally between four people. What fraction of the cake do they each get?
- I think of a number and add 10. The answer is 68. What is my number?

# Today...

ICT problems with Beebots

Numicon problem solving

Logic problems

Visual problems

Domino puzzles