3-6: REMOTE MATHS EDITION 17

GEOMETRY - INVESTIGATIONS

Mathematical language: shape, square, triangle, sides, edges, corners, lines, polygon, pattern,

INVESTIGATION 1: VISUALISING SHAPES

PART 1: HIDDEN SHAPES Adapted from C Danielson

- Below are a set of shapes. You cannot see the whole shape, rather just a section of them. Imagine you are looking at parts of the shape through a microscope.
- For each image, draw and label the shapes that could be partially hidden.



- Could this be a rectangle?
- What else could it be?



- Could this be a triangle?
- What about a square?
- What else could it be?

TASK 2: HIDDEN SHAPES Adapted from Nrich

Materials: isometric dot paper

Isometric dot paper can be used to draw a variety of 2D shapes. Your challenge is to use the isometric dot paper to draw as many of these shapes as possible.

- rectangle
- rhombus
- trapezium
- parallelogram that is not a rectangle
- equilateral triangle
- right-angled triangle

- scalene triangle
- isosceles triangle that is not an equilateral triangle
- pentagon
- hexagon
- heptagon
- octagon



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EDITION 17: PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS (CONT.)

INVESTIGATION 2: OPTICAL ART

PART 1: GEOMETRY IN OPTICAL ART Adapted from

Adapted from Youcubed

Optical art consists of geometric shapes and patterns, and they are often black and white in colour. Look at these examples of optical art.

- What shapes do you see?
- How do the shapes change to cause an optical illusion?
- Read (or select the audio voice over at the bottom of the screen) this news article from <u>Kids News</u> to learn more about optical illusions.







PART 2: CREATING OPTICAL ART Adapted from Youcubed

Materials: <u>100-square grid</u>, texta's or pencils.

It's time to create your own interesting optical illusion pattern.

- Share your designs with a family member and find out if they see an illusion when looking at your pattern.
- Did you get any more ideas about the ways to create an optical illusion? Describe your mathematical thinking about ways to do that.
- Can you see any patterns, fractions, or decimals in your artwork? Where are they?
- Think of a mathematical question that you could ask about your artwork.
- If someone else wanted to recreate your artwork, what directions would you give them?

Look out for more tasks next week!

