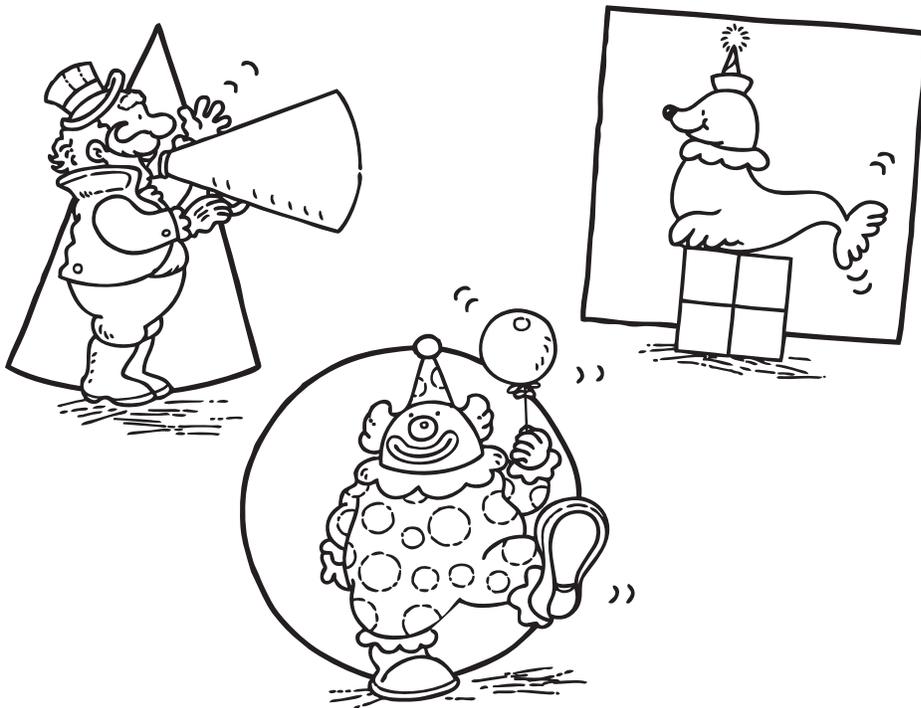


"Under the Big Top" Board Game

Objective

Students will identify and match common geometric shapes.

Under the Big Top is a fun board game students can play to learn about geometric shapes. By allowing students to help make the game, you provide an excellent opportunity to increase and reinforce learning.



Materials

- "Under the Big Top" Game Cube reproducible
- "Under the Big Top" Game Board reproducibles
- file folders
- glue
- scissors
- crayons or markers
- game markers (paper clips, pennies, colored paper squares)

1. To introduce this activity, have students go on a shapes scavenger hunt around the classroom. Draw the following shapes on the board: circle, square, triangle, rectangle, cube, and cone. Have each student find one item that represents each shape.
2. Next, have students help you make the game boards for Under the Big Top. Divide the class into teams of four. Give each team a copy of the **"Under the Big Top" Game Cube** and **"Under the Big Top" Game Board reproducibles (pages 35-37)**. Have teams color and cut out the game cube. Help them fold it and tape it together. Then ask students to draw a shape that matches one of the shapes on the game cube in each square of the game board reproducible. Invite teams to color the game board, and help them glue it into a file folder.

"Under the Big Top" Game Cube

