Famous Shapes

- Draw some 2-D figures onto card.
- Choose three pupils to stand in front of the class.
- Without them looking, stick either a figure or a written word onto their foreheads so that the rest
 of the class can see them clearly.
- 4. The three pupils take turns asking questions to determine what shape they are.
- 5. Pupils can only ask questions to which the answer is yes or no, for example:

'Do I have any curved edges?; Do I have three vertices?'

6. Once comfortable with the game, pupils can play this game in small groups or pairs.

Extension

To extend this activity, write the names of the 2-D figures on card rather than drawing them. This requires pupils to visualise the figures in their heads in order to determine their properties.





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