

A boardgame with shapes

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What you need:

- A side from a cardboard box that you cut into the size A3 (you can use whatever you think is thick enough for a boardgame)
- Colored carton paper in the size A3
- Cards with shapes that you make in the computer and print out (each shape has its own color) In this game I used ring, triangle, square, hexagon and rectangle. The rectangle was 3x5 cm. but the other shapes were 4x4 cm. You have to do a lot of shapes because they are both glued on the board and used in the game for collecting. It's good to use a colored paper to print out the shapes so both sides look the same
- Start and Finish frame to glue on the board
- Scissors
- Laminator machine and plastic for it
- Glue
- Book covering plastic
- A basket to keep what's used in the game
- Dice and playmen

What you do:

- Cut the thick carton to A3 size and glue the colored carton on top of it
- Glue the Start and Finish frames on the board
- Print out the shapes and cut them. Glue them from Start to Finish like shown on the pictures on the next page
- Cover the board with book covering plastic
- Put the rest of the shapes in plastic and run them through the laminator machine

The game:

- Fine for 2-4 players
- The players throw the dice and move forward from the Start frame. On their way to the Finish they collect the shapes they land when they stop moving after throwing the dice.

- When the first one gets to Finish the players count their shapes. What shape did I get the most of – what did I get the least of? Did I collect all the shapes – did I get the same amount of some shapes and so on

Note:

- This game shown here was made for kids that are 4-6 years old. I have also made this for younger ones but then the board is smaller and the shapes both fewer and bigger. For the youngest ones (2 years old) we only used ring, triangle and square and the dice was only showing 3 as the highest number
- We have made many boardgames in my preschool and we think it's a good idea to put holes in the board in both ends and put a string between them. That makes it easy to hang them up on the wall and the kids can easily see all the games and choose which one they want to play

