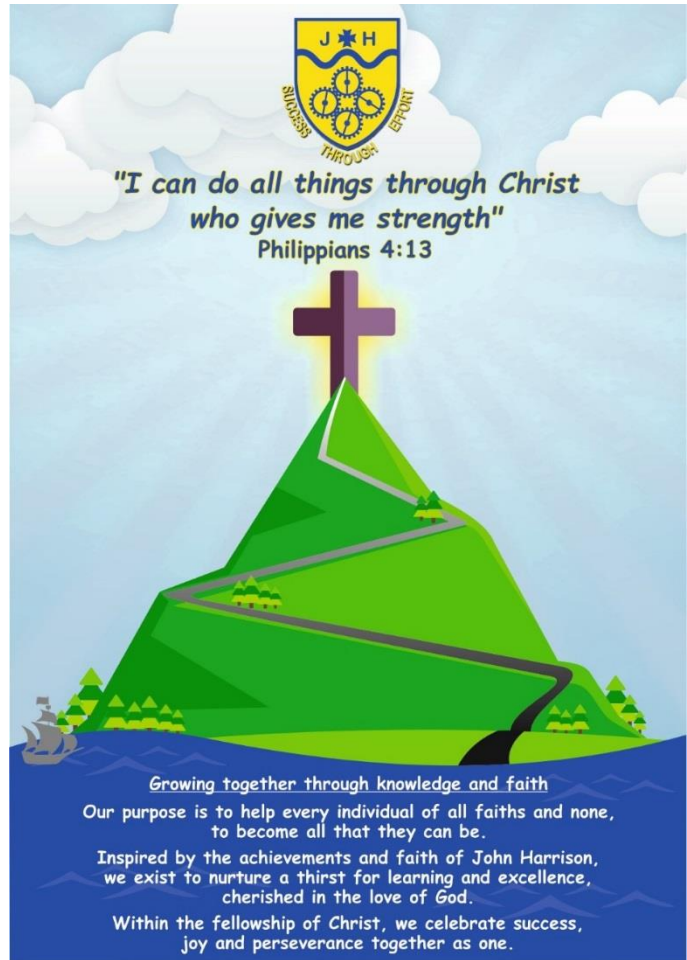


John Harrison C of E Primary School

Success Through Effort: Growing Together Through Knowledge and Faith



Reception Class My Welcome Book

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Welcome!

Dear Parent/ Carer

We are delighted that you have chosen John Harrison Church of England Primary School and have written this booklet to help you and your child understand what happens in our Reception class.

We know that parents are the child's first teachers and that before the children come to us, they have learnt a great many things from you.

It's our job to continue your child's education, working with you to help your child reach their full potential.

At our school, education is about successful learners experiencing the joy of discovery, solving problems, being creative and developing their self-confidence whilst maturing socially and emotionally to become confident individuals and responsible citizens.

Reception is the first step that we will take together on this journey and we look forward to working in partnership with you at this important time.

The curriculum offered addresses the targets in the Early Learning Goals and the children will have activities provided for them which will develop their skills in the following seven areas of learning:

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Communication and Language
- Physical Development
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Expressive Arts
- Understanding of the World

Please remember that if you have any questions or worries come and see the Reception staff or myself.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Curtis

Headteacher

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Please look at this book with your child and talk about the pictures.

At the end of the book, encourage your child to fill in the sheets at the back and keep the book as a record of their work.

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Welcome to the Reception Team



Miss Morrill
Class Teacher



Miss Allison
Teaching Assistant

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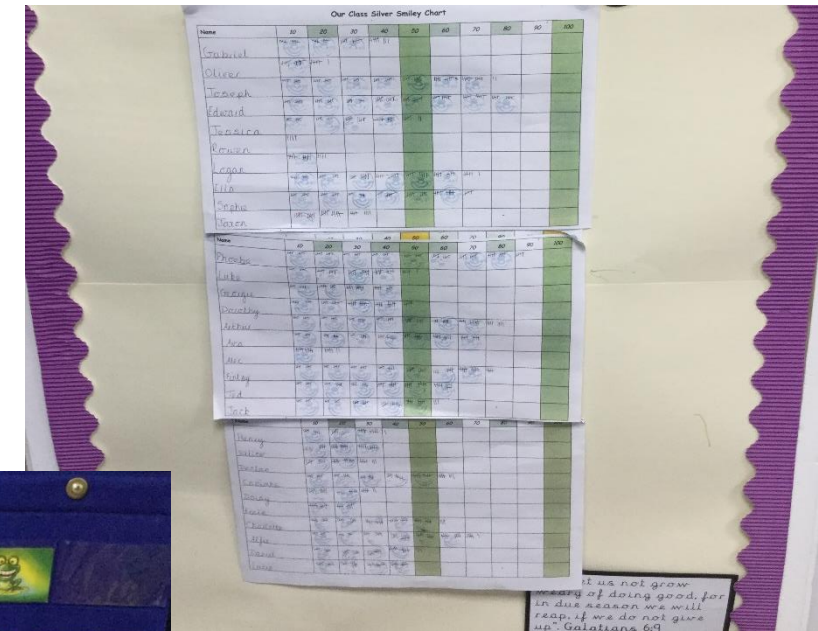
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We really love to give positive praise to the children. As a child does something to make a grown up smile, they are given a smiley. These are collected and the children can earn stickers on a special chart for every ten that they receive. When they reach certain milestones, parents are invited into worship to see their child receive this.

Behaviour and Rewards



Every child starts each on green as it is 'good to be green'. Further cards are given for poor choices and there is also the chance to earn a special privilege card.

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Useful Information

Absences

We must know why your child is not attending. Only keep them off if they are ill. You should ring the school office to do this.

School Ping

Information is sent out through an App called School Ping. More information will be given at a later date, regarding log in details.

School Lunches

All children receive universal free school meals in Reception. School provide a hot meal each day.

Milk

Children will receive a third of a pint of milk each day until they turn five. We encourage the children to pour their own milk and to measure the correct amount out.

Fruit

All the children will be offered a piece of fruit each day. They are encouraged to try new things and we explore the tastes and textures.

Wrap Around Care

We provide a Breakfast and After School Club each day. More information can be found on the school website.

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Times of the School Day

8.50am The gates open and the school day begins.



1.00pm Lunchtime ends.



12.00 Lunchtime



3.30pm School finishes.

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School Uniform

We take pride in wearing our school uniform. Please clearly label each item of clothing with your child's name.



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Where You Come Into School



Each day, your child will wait at the school gate. An adult will then collect them and they will walk in.

They come in and put their things away in the cloakroom, on their named peg.

A spare bag of clothes is useful to keep at school.

We encourage the children to come into the class independently.

What You Need to Bring to School

A book bag is really useful for your child to bring each day. This will be where they put their reading books and work that they are going to bring home. It is also where letters will be put so they will need to be checked on a regular basis.



They will need a clearly labelled water bottle. We are a healthy school so encourage this to contain water, rather than juice.



In cold weather, children will need warm coats, hats and gloves. In warmer weather they will need hats and sun cream will need to be applied before they arrive to school.

PE

Your child will be allocated a PE day. On this day, your child needs to come to school in their kit. The kit consists of black bottoms, such as joggers or shorts and a white t-shirt. The school jumper must still be worn. Your child will also need trainers on plimsolls on this day.



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We learn lots of different things through purposeful play in our classroom and in the outside environment.

Learning Through Play



Learning Through Adult Led Activities



We also learn skills through adult led activities such as reading, writing and maths.



Read Write Inc.

We use Read Write Inc. to help us learn our sounds. We use them when we are doing reading and writing.

Read Write Inc. Phonics



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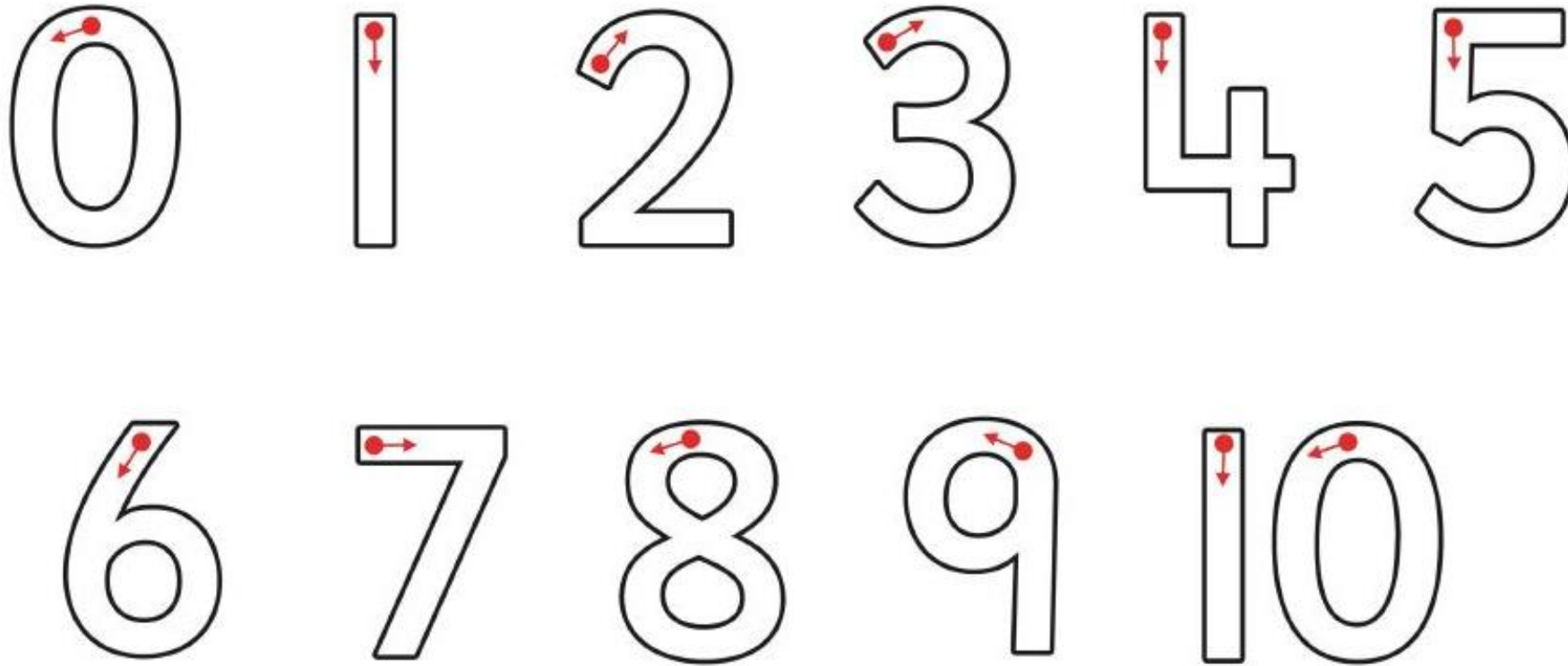
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Numbers

This is how we form our numbers when we write them at school.



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Open Sessions

Each half term, we hold an open session for parents to come in and see what the children have been learning. These sessions can range from phonics, stay and play or even a chance to take part in a singalong with Makaton signing.



Setting In

We understand that whenever we start something new it is not only exciting, but it may be a bit daunting. We would like to assure you that we will do everything possible to not only support your child in this exciting new step, but you as well. Should you have anything you would like to discuss, please contact us at school via the office and someone from the Reception team will be in contact with you. Our aim is to ensure that the transition process is as smooth and as happy as we can make it for everyone.

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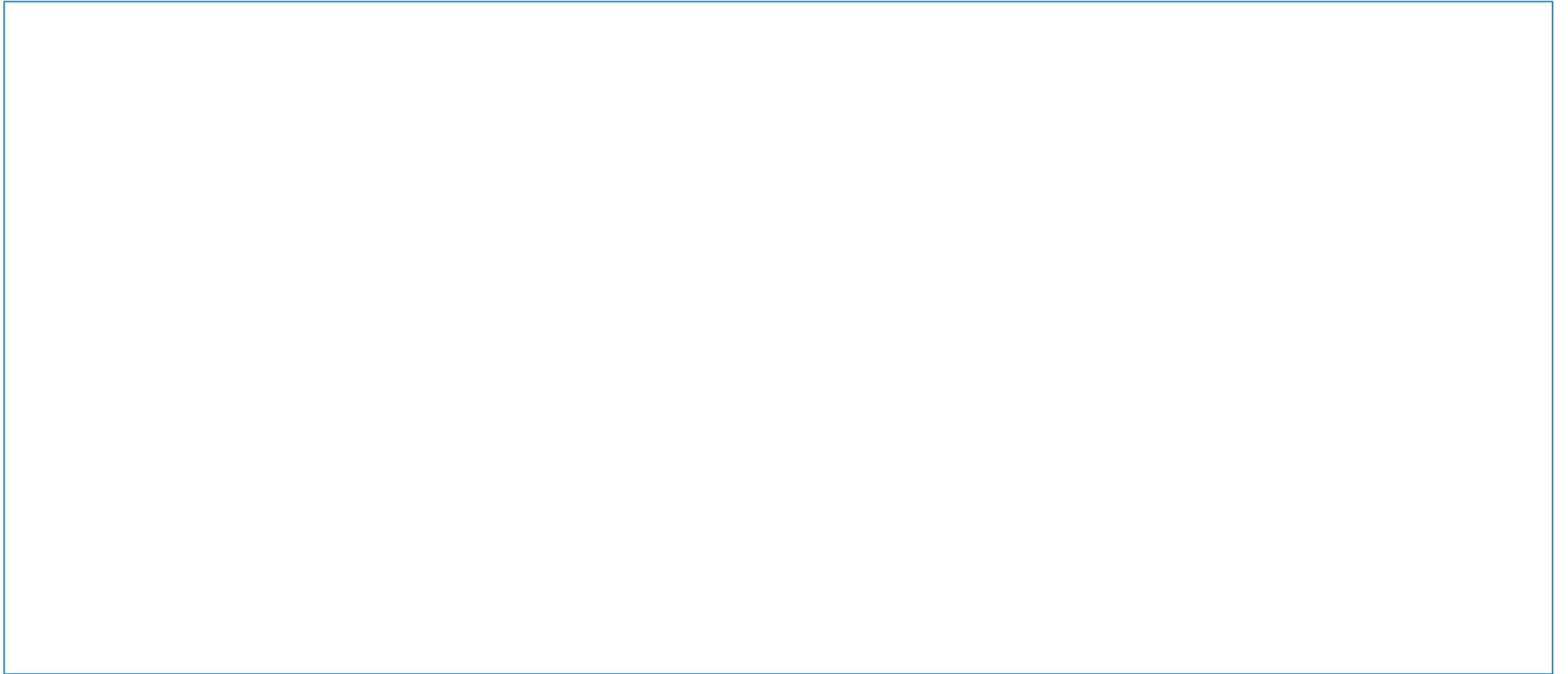
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Draw a picture of your favourite toy



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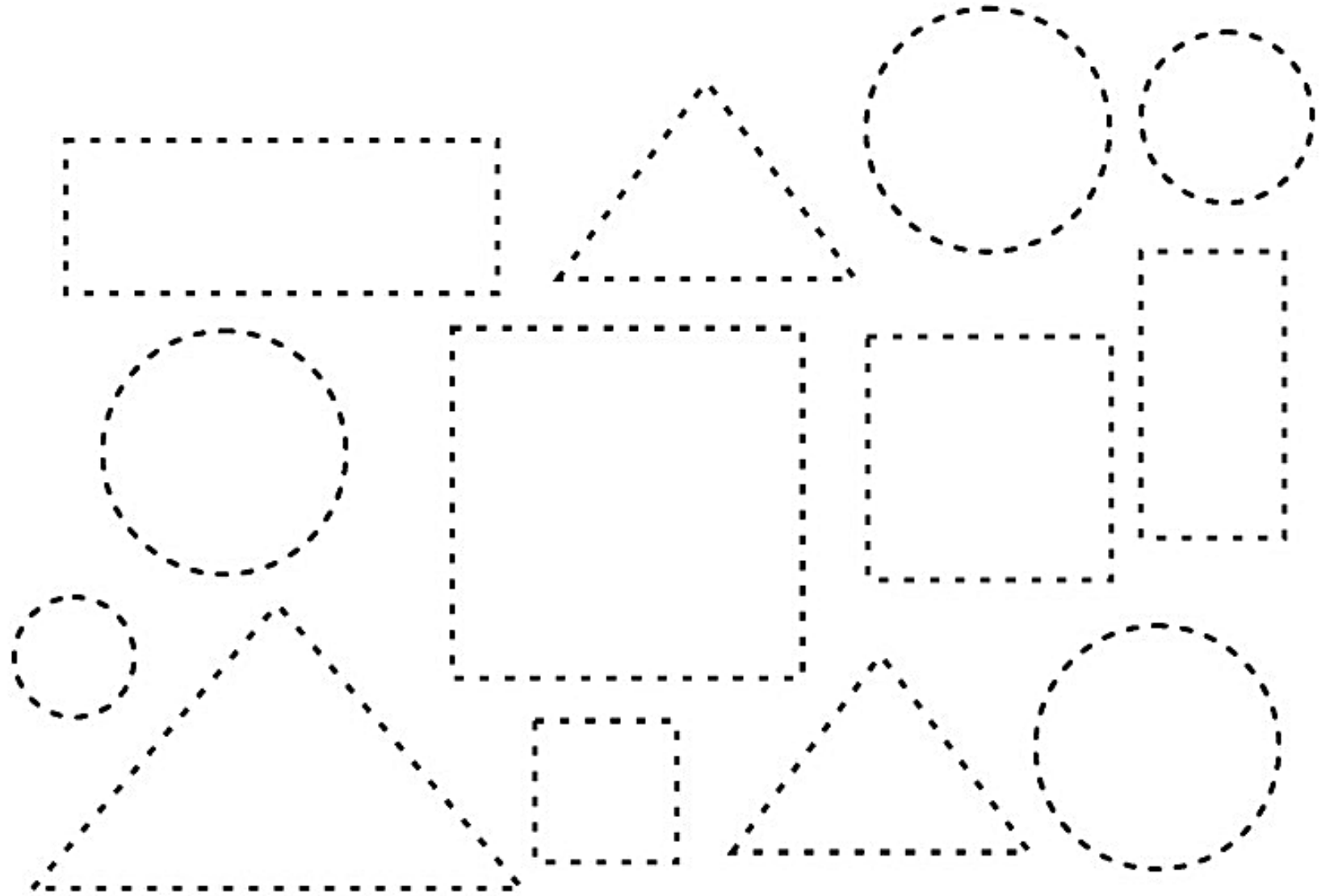
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Use a pen or
pencil to trace
over the different
shapes.



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