

# STEM starts now

## Shape Sorter

**Recommended Age:** 25–30 Months

**STEM concepts:** Math (number sense and operations, patterns and classification, shapes and spatial relationships, mathematical reasoning)

**Materials:** construction paper, containers of different sizes, markers, shapes, tape, or if you have a shape sorter handy, that would work also.

**What to do:** Use the construction paper to draw shapes. Cut the shapes out of the center of the paper. Carefully tape the sheet of paper over the opening of the container. Have your child place the cut-out shapes through the correct shape whole like a shape sorter.

**Language and Communication:** Talk with your child about the different shapes they are putting into the container. Ask them to tell you what they see different about two shapes.

**Expand the Activity:** Sort the shapes by color or size.

