

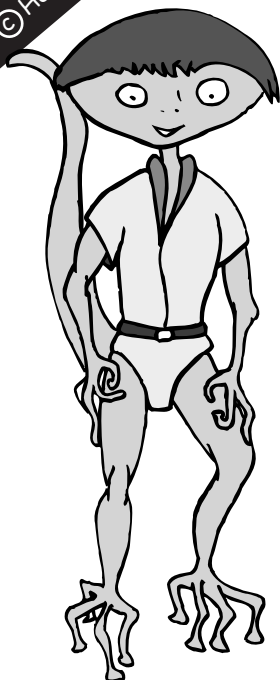
# What to do...



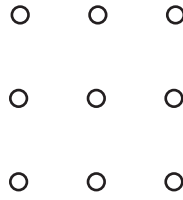
## Three dotty shapes

Children sometimes forget that a hexagon, for example, is not just a particular shape like the one that bees use in honeycombs, but is any closed shape with six straight sides. This activity helps them explore 2-D shapes.

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1. Draw a grid of three rows of three dots.



2. Join some dots to make a shape with straight sides (a polygon).

3. How many shapes with straight sides can you make by joining dots on grids exactly like this one?

4. Draw enough dotty grids to enable you to draw at least six different shapes.

5. Can you name each shape? Remember to count the sides.

