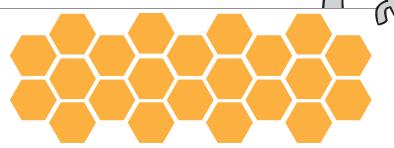
## HEXAGON HUNT

Bees build their hives out of tiny cells shaped like hexagons (with six sides). This shape lets adult bees fit a huge number of cells into the hive, holding thousands of new bee eggs.



- Pencil or crayon
- Magnifying glass
- Black paper



## WHAT TO DO

Draw It

Can you find the hexagons in this picture of a beehive? How many do you see? Draw the hexagons you found.



Find It

Insects and other things in nature (like snail shells or leaves) come in many shapes. What hexagons and other shapes do you see around you?

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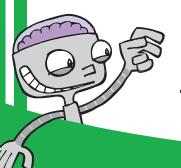


## HEXAGON HUNT (ACTIVITY CONTINUED)

Record It
Use this chart to keep track of all the shapes you can find in a week.

Shape	Where You Found It
Hexagon $\bigcirc$	Example: Snowflake
Hexagon $\bigcirc$	
Square	
Triangle $\triangle$	
Circle	
Rectangle	
Pentagon 🔵	
Oval	
Heart	

In winter, when snow is falling, take some black paper outside. Let the paper get very cold. As soon as snowflakes land on the paper, look at them through a magnifying glass. Do any look like hexagons?





 The pattern of shapes on an animal's skin can help the animal hide or scare away enemies.

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