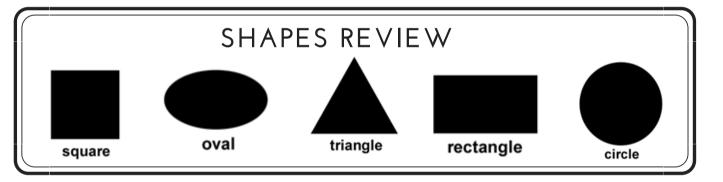
VISUAL ARTS K/1ST GRADE ACTIVITIES

Introduction: Shapes are everywhere. We see them all around us. We see them inside buildings. We see them in nature. We even eat them for dinner! And we can make shapes too. We are going to review some favorite shapes, practice drawing shapes, and then use shapes in our own drawings.

Materials: Something to draw with: a pencil or pen Optional: Crayon, colored pencils or markers



MENTOR ARTIST JOHN PARRA

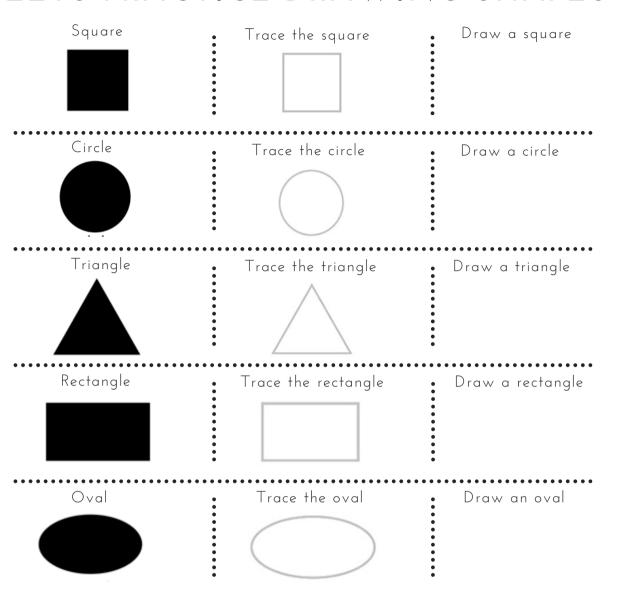
John Parra is an award winning illustrator. He illustrated the book Round is a Tortilla. John grew up in San Diego. What does John think



about getting ideas from looking at other artist's artwork? "My older brother was really good at art, too, and he could draw really cool giant robots. I would follow his ideas often."

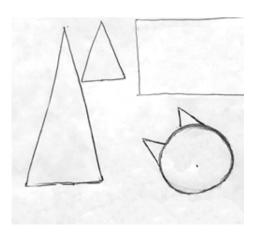


LETS PRACTICE DRAWING SHAPES



STEP 1

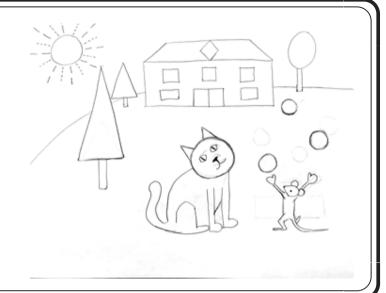
Draw some shapes, then see what you can turn them into.





STEP 2

Keep adding more shapes. Maybe you will make a giant robot like John Parra's brother.



STEP 3

Color some of your shapes black or gray, using your pencil or pen. You can also add color to your shapes if you have it.



STEP 4

Try adding shadows to the edges of one of your objects, to make it look 3-D.



