## Numerical Pattern

## Key vocabulary

- Square, circle, rectangle, triangle
- Corners (vertices)
- Straight
- Curved
- Flat
- Cube, sphere, cuboid
- Big / small / bigger / smaller / biggest / smallest
- Tall / taller / tallest / short / shorter / shortest
- Heavy / heavier / heaviest / light / lighter / lightest
- Full, fullest, empty, half-full, half-empty
- Stack


## Key skills

$\checkmark$ Talk about and explore 2D and 3D shapes, using mathematical language
$\checkmark$ Select shapes appropriately, e.g. flat surfaces for building and combine shapes to make new ones.
$\checkmark$ Make comparisons between objects, such as length and capacity.


Problem Solving
Look at these groups of objects. Which do you think has more/less? How do you know? How can you check?


## How can you help at home?

- Encourage and extend mathematical vocabulary, e.g. describing shapes (flat, curved etc.)
- Encourage children to explain their thinking and reasons, e.g. why they think Object $A$ is heavier than Object B. How do they know?
- Apply number skills and knowledge to problems, e.g. "Mummy has three, brother has four and you have one. How many altogether?"


Children will begin to solve real world mathematical problems, such as addition and subtraction.They will compare quantities and use the correct language to do this, e.g. "more than: fewer than"

## Website to support

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/
^^ Lots of interactive games for children in EYFS (counting, ordering, naming shapes etc.)

## Problem Solving

## Shape Investigation

Which shapes stack? Which shapes roll? Can you explain why?


