



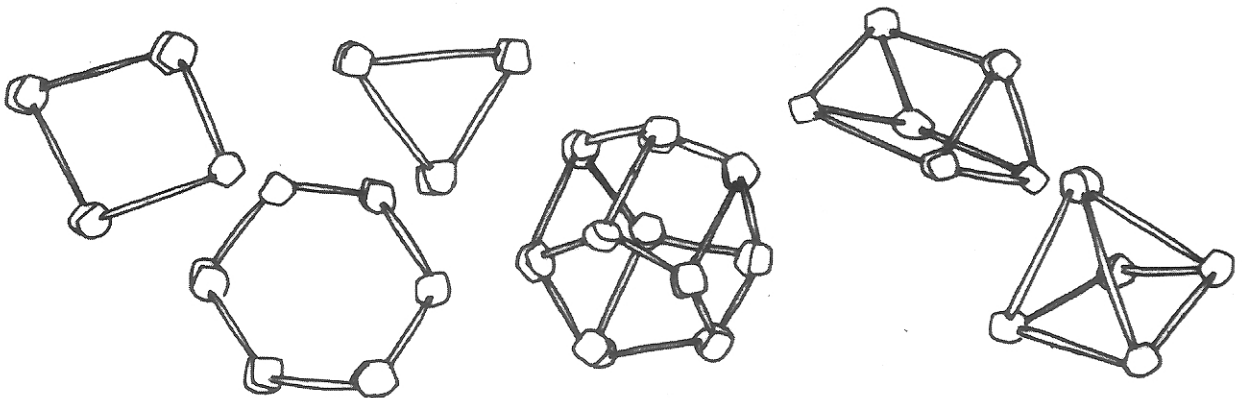
Family Note

Encourage discussion about the shape you build in this activity. Ask such questions as:

- ▷ Which shape used the most marshmallows or gumdrops?
- ▷ Do any shapes have more toothpicks than marshmallows?
- ▷ How many triangles did you make? How many rectangles?
- ▷ Which structure keeps its shape the best?

Build shapes and structures with miniature marshmallows or gumdrops and toothpicks.

Begin with flat 2-dimensional shapes, then try building up to 3-dimensional shapes, such as cubes, pyramids, and prisms.



Bring one or two of your shapes to school.