





Shapes of a Mosque Craft

Inspired by the book
Crescent Moons and Pointed Minarets

Background: A mosque is a place where Muslims gather to remember, worship, and celebrate God. Just like a Church, Temple, or Synagogue. A mosque often time will have community events and services.

Book Reading: Read the book *Crescent Moons and Pointed Minarets*. Have your students or the children point out all the wonderful shapes they see, and how they are used in everyday life. Whether it's in architecture, landscaping, or found in nature.

Directions: Use this mosque template for 1:2 crafts.

Craft 1: (Easy) Color by Shape- Have your students color by shapes. Print out the template and hand them colored crayons that correlate to each shape color.

Rectangle Base = Grey

Rectangle Columns = Orange

Square = Brown

Star = Yellow

Triangles = Black

Circle= Red

Crescent = Green

Oval Dome = Blue

Craft 2: (Medium difficulty) Build Your Own Mosque Shapes Craft

You will need: Scissors, glue, construction paper to glue their mosque shapes onto, and the included colored shape sheets.

Tip: To make this craft more seamless, you may want to pre-cut the colored shapes sheets and sort them into little baggies prior to this activity. For older kids with better dexterity and fine motor skills, they may cut out their own shapes using kid friendly scissors.

Instructions: The students or children may use the above master template to follow, but we encourage them to use their creativity and imaginations in creating their own mosques.

1. Have them cut out as many shapes as they like and create and configure a mosque on their desk.
2. Once they have configured and put all their shape pieces together, have them transfer it over to the construction paper and glue down their mosque.
3. Have them name their mosque and share a story about the colors and why they chose that design and name. For further exploration, ask them if their mosque will host any community events and what services they would offer and why?