

Explore



You will need Pattern Blocks and a Mira.

Choose 3 Pattern Blocks, 2 the same and 1 different.
Arrange the 3 blocks to make a figure with exactly
1 line of symmetry.

Each block must touch at least one other block.
Trace the figure.

Draw a dotted line to show the line of symmetry.



Show and Share

Describe the strategy you used to solve the problem.
Could you make more than one figure? Explain.

Connect

You will need pentominoes, 2-cm grid paper, and a Mira.

Choose 2 different pentominoes.

Arrange the pentominoes to create a figure
with exactly 1 line of symmetry.

Trace the figure and show the line of symmetry.

Strategies

- Make a table.
- Use a model.
- Draw a diagram.
- Solve a simpler problem.
- Work backward.
- Guess and check.
- Make an organized list.
- Use a pattern.
- Draw a graph.



What do you know?

- Use 2 different pentominoes.
- Arrange the pentominoes to make a figure.
- The figure must have exactly 1 line of symmetry.

Think of a strategy to help you solve this problem.

- You can use **guess and check** to find a figure with exactly 1 line of symmetry.



Arrange the pentominoes to make a figure.
Use a Mira to check for lines of symmetry.
If the figure has no lines of symmetry
or more than one line of symmetry,
try a different arrangement to make a new figure.



Check your work.
Does your figure have exactly 1 line of symmetry?
How do you know?

Practice

Choose one of the

Strategies

1. Draw mirror lines to divide a piece of grid paper in 4 congruent sections.
Draw Figure A in one section.
Reflect Figure A in one of the mirror lines.
Label the image B.
Reflect Image B in the other mirror line.
Label the image C.
Describe a transformation that would move Figure A directly onto Image C.
How many different transformations can you find?
2. Repeat question 1.
This time divide the paper in 3 sections.

