

# **Repeating patterns**

# Repeating patterns teach children to predict what comes next based on what has happened before.

Each pattern has a set of repeated elements. For example, in a two pattern there are two elements that repeat. In a three pattern there are three elements that repeat.

Repeating patterns with shapes, objects, pictures, sounds, movement



This is a star, circle, star, circle, star, circle pattern. The next one would be a star. This is a two pattern.

### B B X B B X B B X

This is a three pattern. The elements B, B, X repeat.

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This is a four pattern.

#### Mathematics is the study

of patterns and relationships. We want students to look for patterns, find relationships and use them as much as they can.