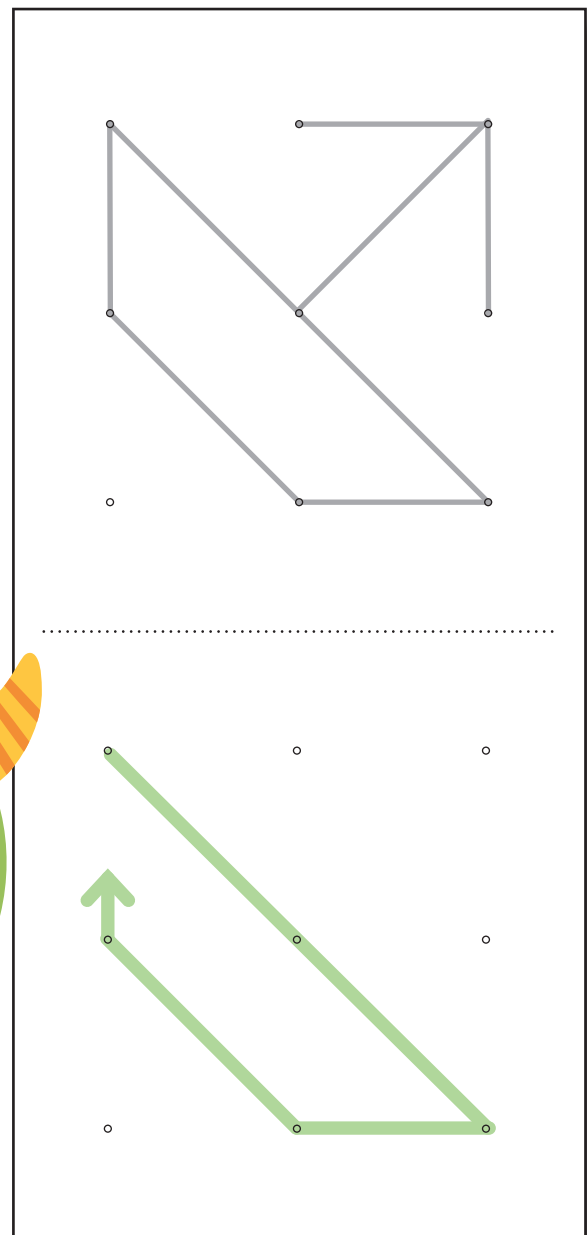


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SPATIAL ORGANIZATION

Connecting Dots:
Shapes



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About connecting dots in shapes

Why connecting dots activities are important

Connecting the dots into shapes and drawing straight lines between the dots encourages your child's eye-hand coordination. As children draw a line from one dot to the next, their eyes follow the developing line and at the same time compare its direction with the position of the target dot. This comparison is followed by micro-movements of the hands and fingers, which help the child to align the line towards the intended target dot. The whole process reinforces visual-motor integration and fine motor control of hand and finger movements.

Line-drawing activities between dots promote the acquisition of spatial concepts, which later play an essential role in the development of pre-writing skills, writing, drawing and other important graphomotor and fine-motor skills. Tasks in which children search for the shortest distance between different dots while drawing promote visual discrimination, while tasks involving changes of direction contribute to the development of kinesthetic awareness and reinforce the control of micro-movements.

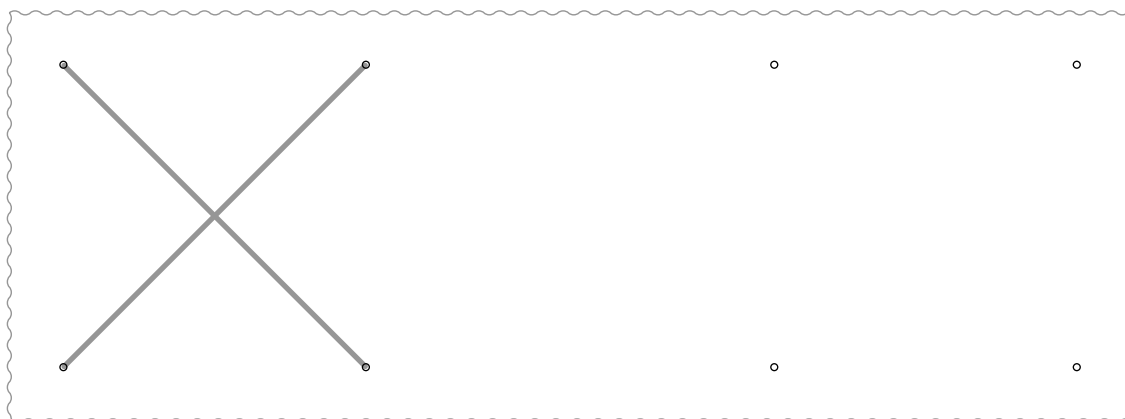
Worksheets and activities in this workbook

The activities and tasks in this workbook, in which children connect multiple dots in shapes, are designed to strengthen visual-motor integration and basic graphomotor skills.

Children should not change the position of the paper or turn it while drawing. They should be encouraged to draw each line in a single stroke without stopping or moving the drawing tool.

The activities and tasks are sequenced from easy to more complex and difficult, and their difficulty is progressively increased in a variety of ways:

- by increasing number of dots in grids of dots,
- by increasing/decreasing distance between dots,
- by increasing complexity of shapes.



Example: medium difficulty, four dots.

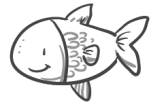


Example: complex pattern, nine dots.

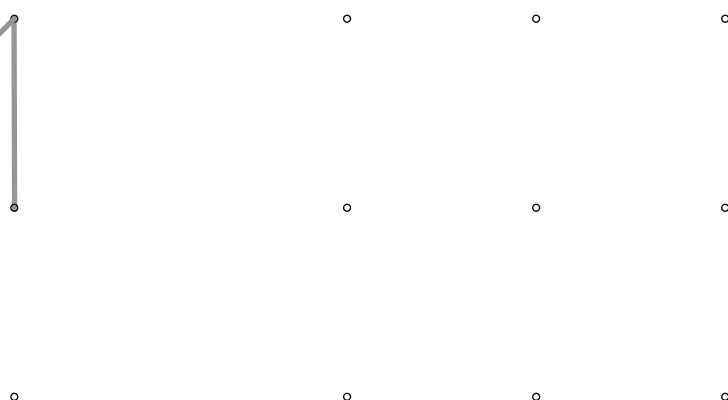
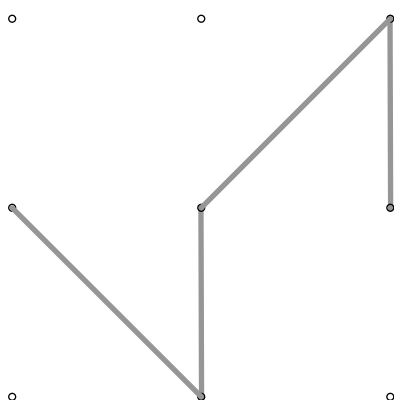
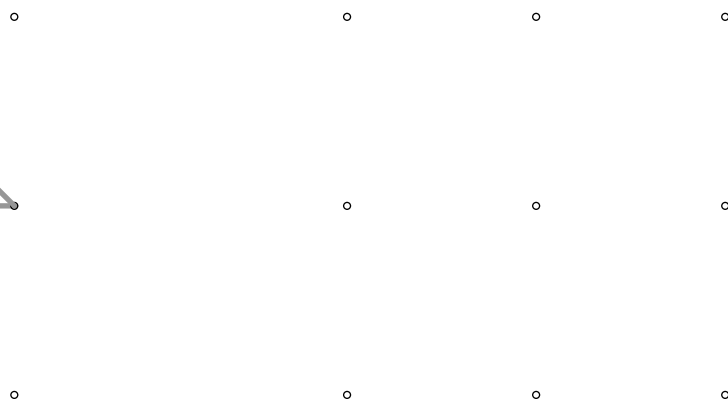
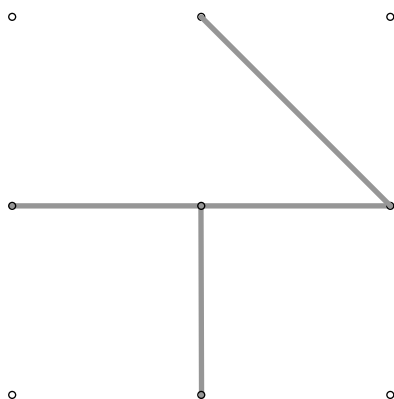
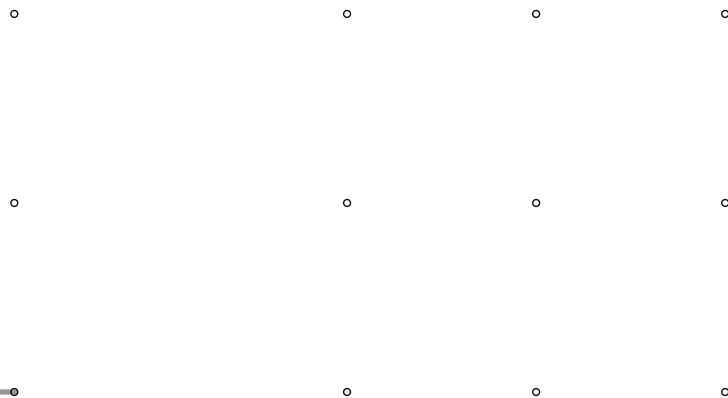
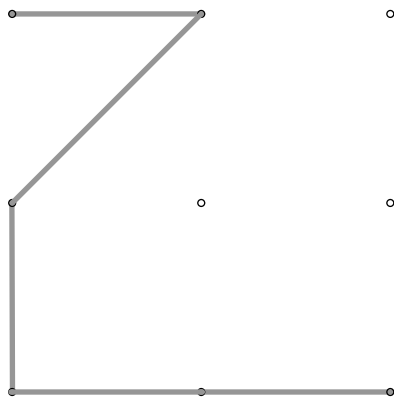
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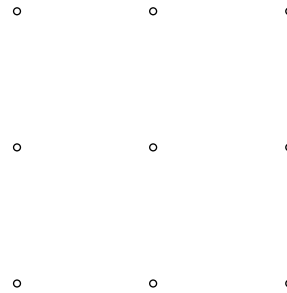
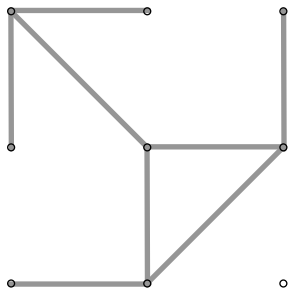
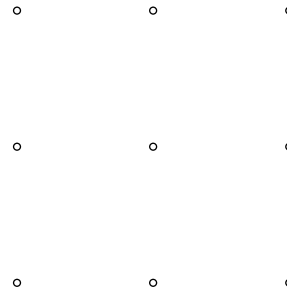
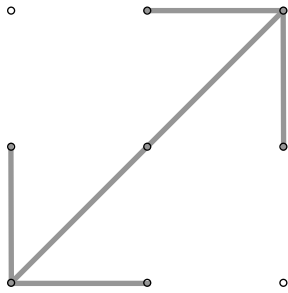
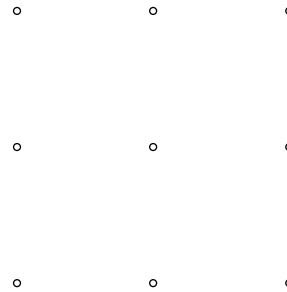
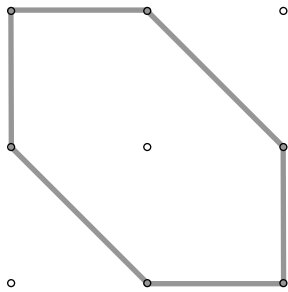
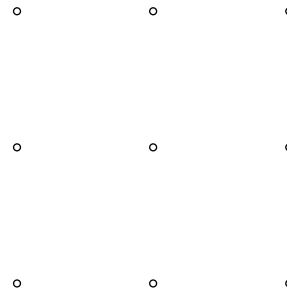
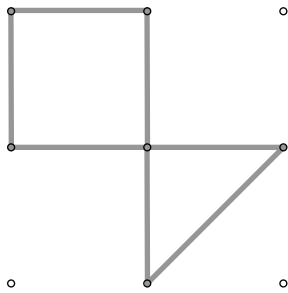
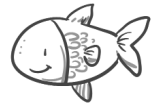
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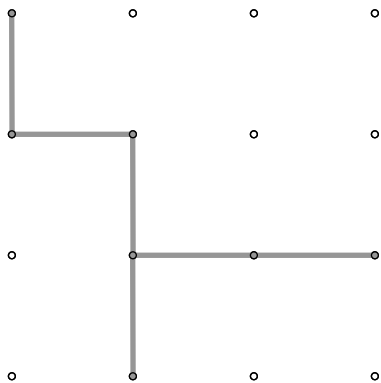
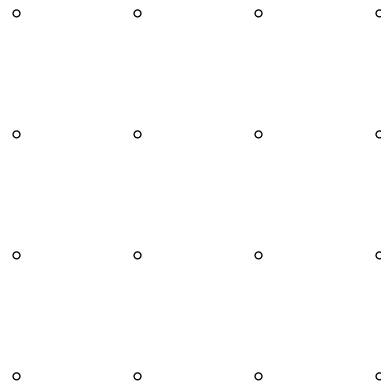
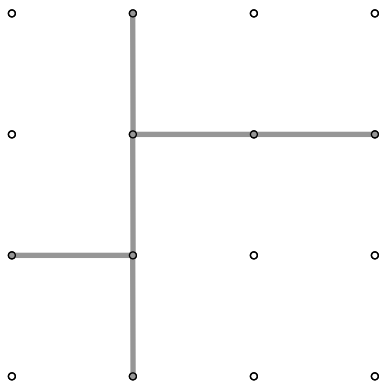
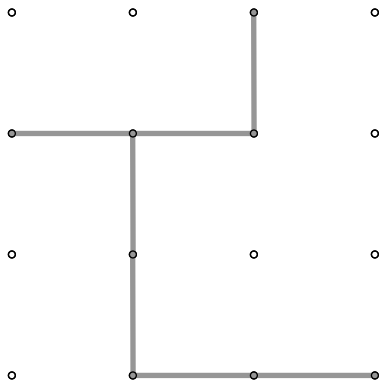
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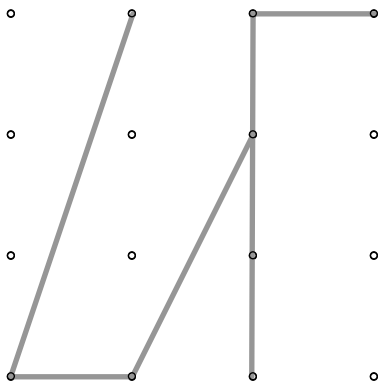
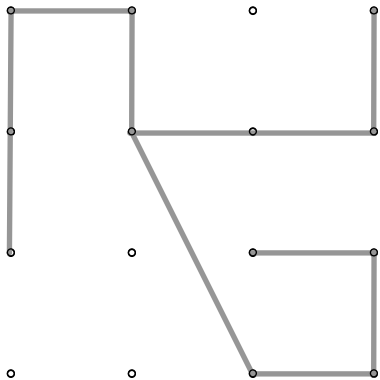
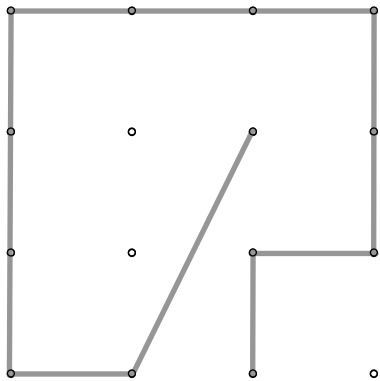
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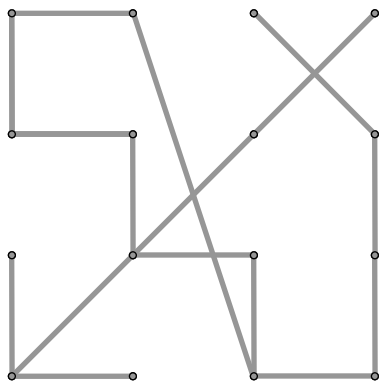
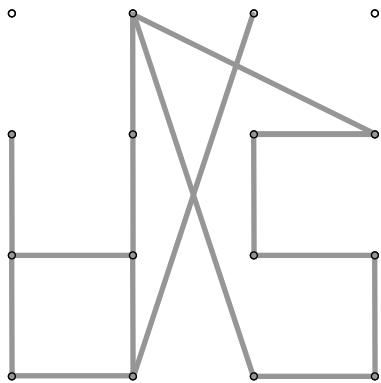
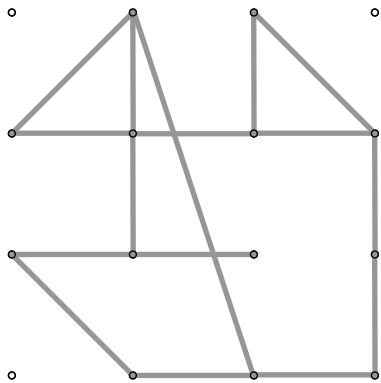
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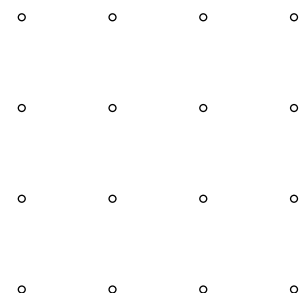
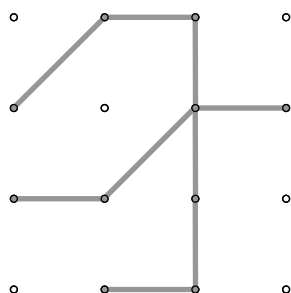
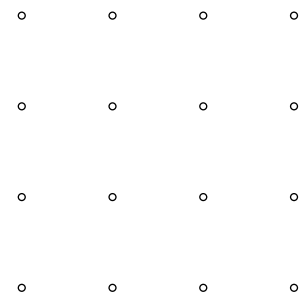
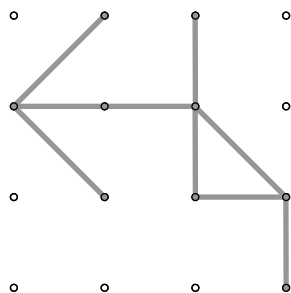
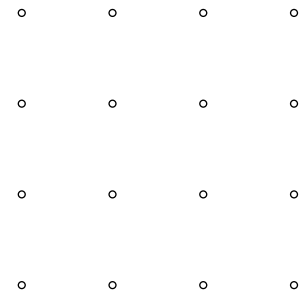
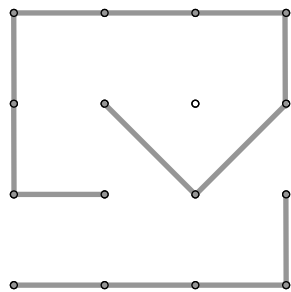
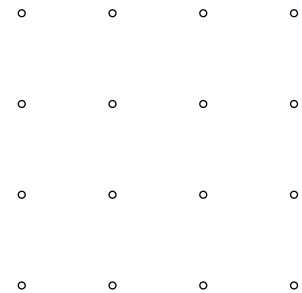
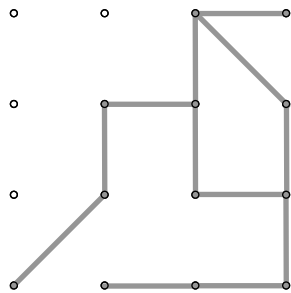
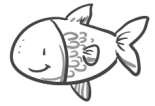
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About Brainscribed program

EXTENSIVE collection of activities

Brainscribed collection features thousands of worksheets with tens of thousands of challenges and activities of different types, created to stimulate the development of visual-motor integration and graphomotor skills in children. With its extensive corpus of materials, it is one of the most comprehensive collections of its kind, **globally**.

Based on BRAIN & EDUCATIONAL SCIENCE

Science fact:

Visual-motor exercises create functional connections among visual and motor regions in brains.

Science fact:

Fine motor skills, non-verbal intelligence and executive functioning are significantly interrelated.

Science fact:

Visual-motor exercises improve graphomotor skills which are important predictors of later academic achievement.

FUN and CHALLENGING activities

Brainscribed resources stimulate visual-motor integration development with countless fun and **developmentally appropriate** activities, designed to be **user friendly** both for adults working with children (easy selection of developmentally appropriate activities according to the child's current stage of visual-motor integration and skills), as well as for children (challenging activities).

Designed for EXPERTS and PARENTS

Brainscribed workbooks provide **teachers** and other **experts** (preschool, school, special education, therapy, etc.) with appropriate and gradually challenging tasks according to developmental needs of their children as well as offer **parents** developmentally appropriate and gradually challenging tasks for their children.

Activities for EVERY child ...

Every child's visual motor integration and skills development can **benefit** from graphomotor / visual-motor tasks and training at home or in a classroom.

... and for children with DIFFICULTIES

Visual-motor deficits and graphomotor difficulties can be debilitating for children. Teachers and other experts working with children with visual motor integration problems or/and with writing problems will find a plentitude of useful and engaging tasks for a **systematic intervention** in Brainscribed workbooks for children with visual-motor difficulties.

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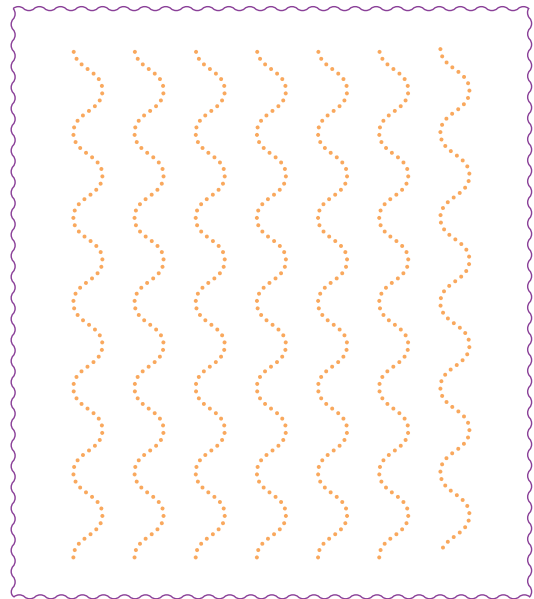
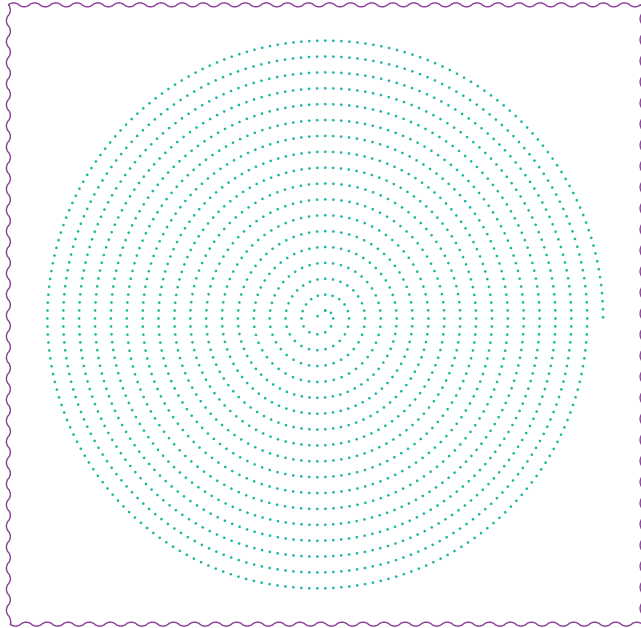
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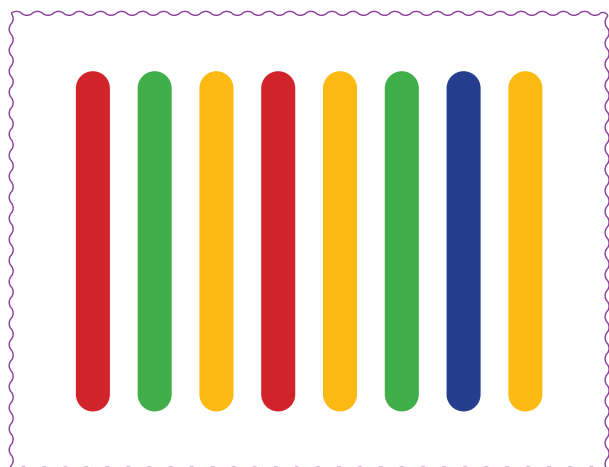
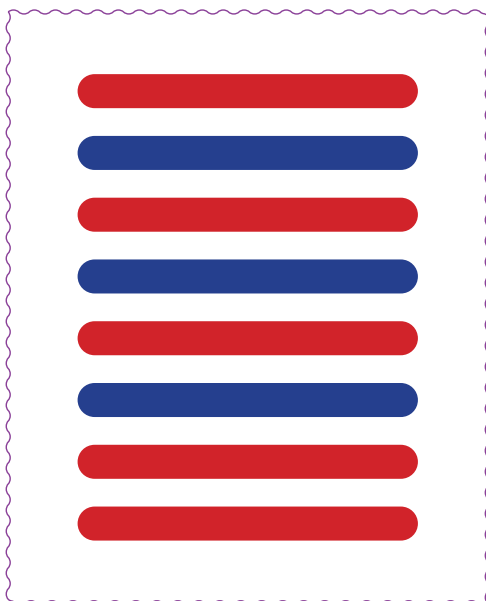
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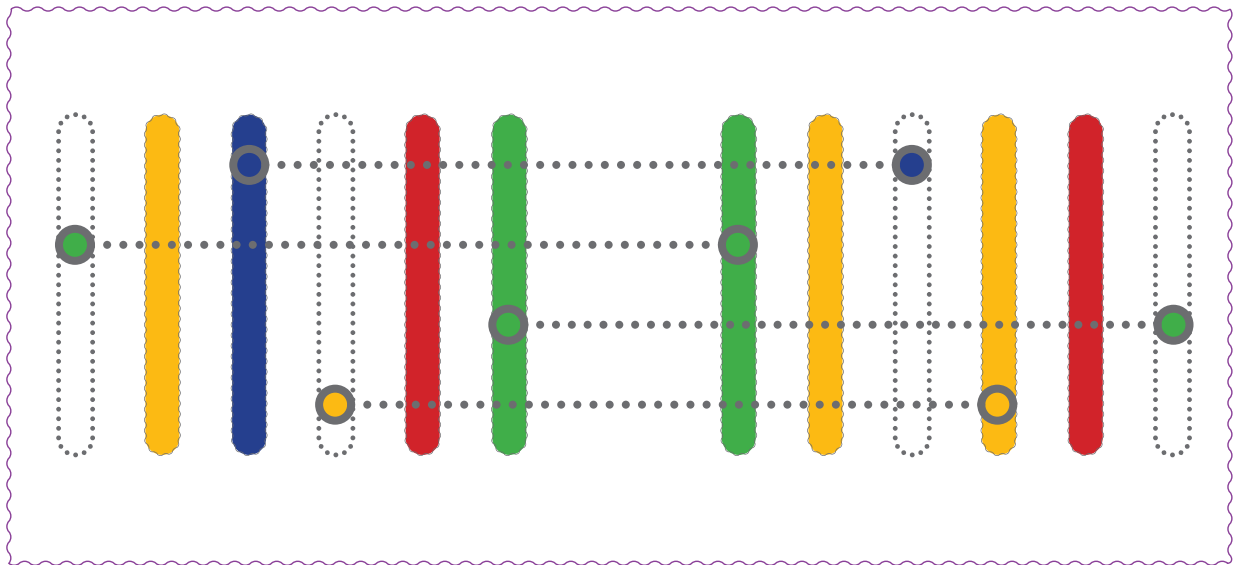
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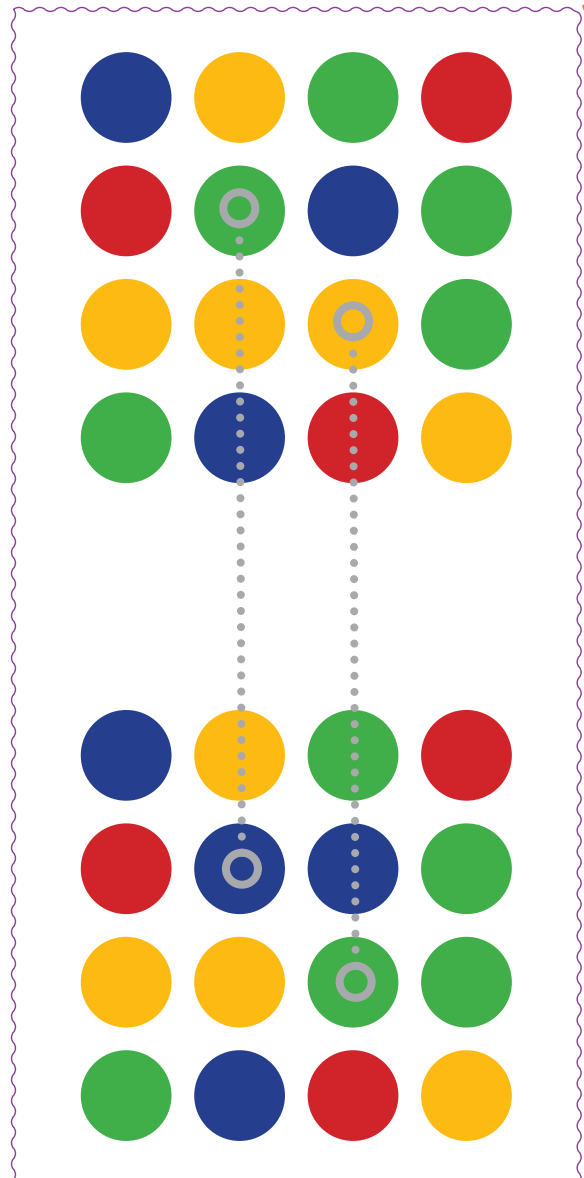
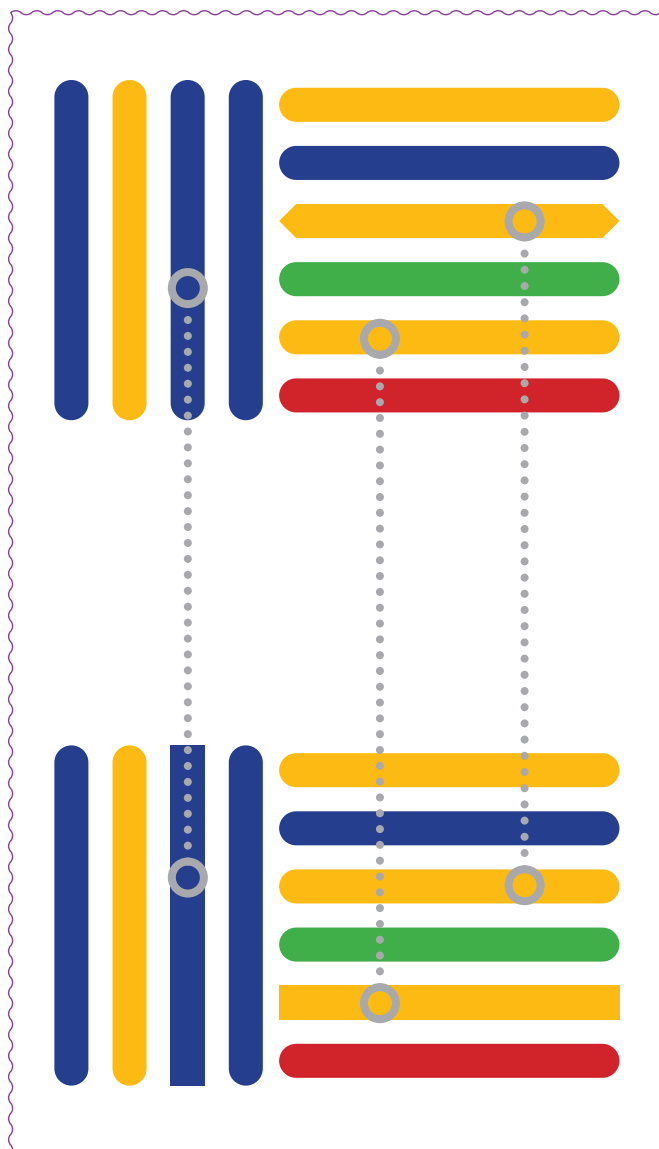
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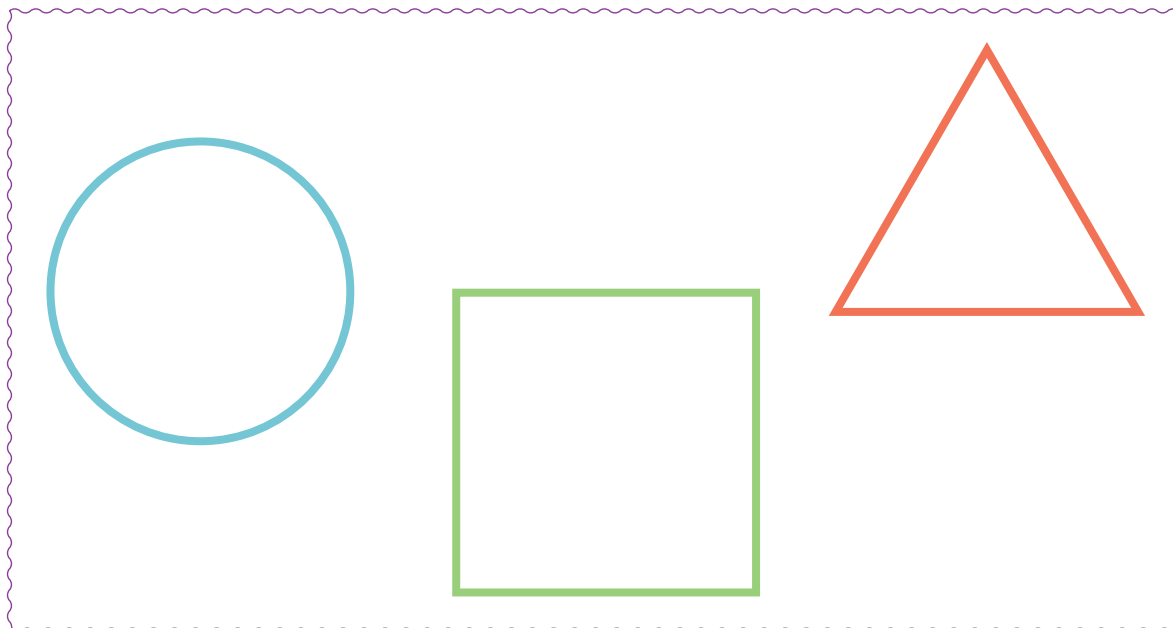


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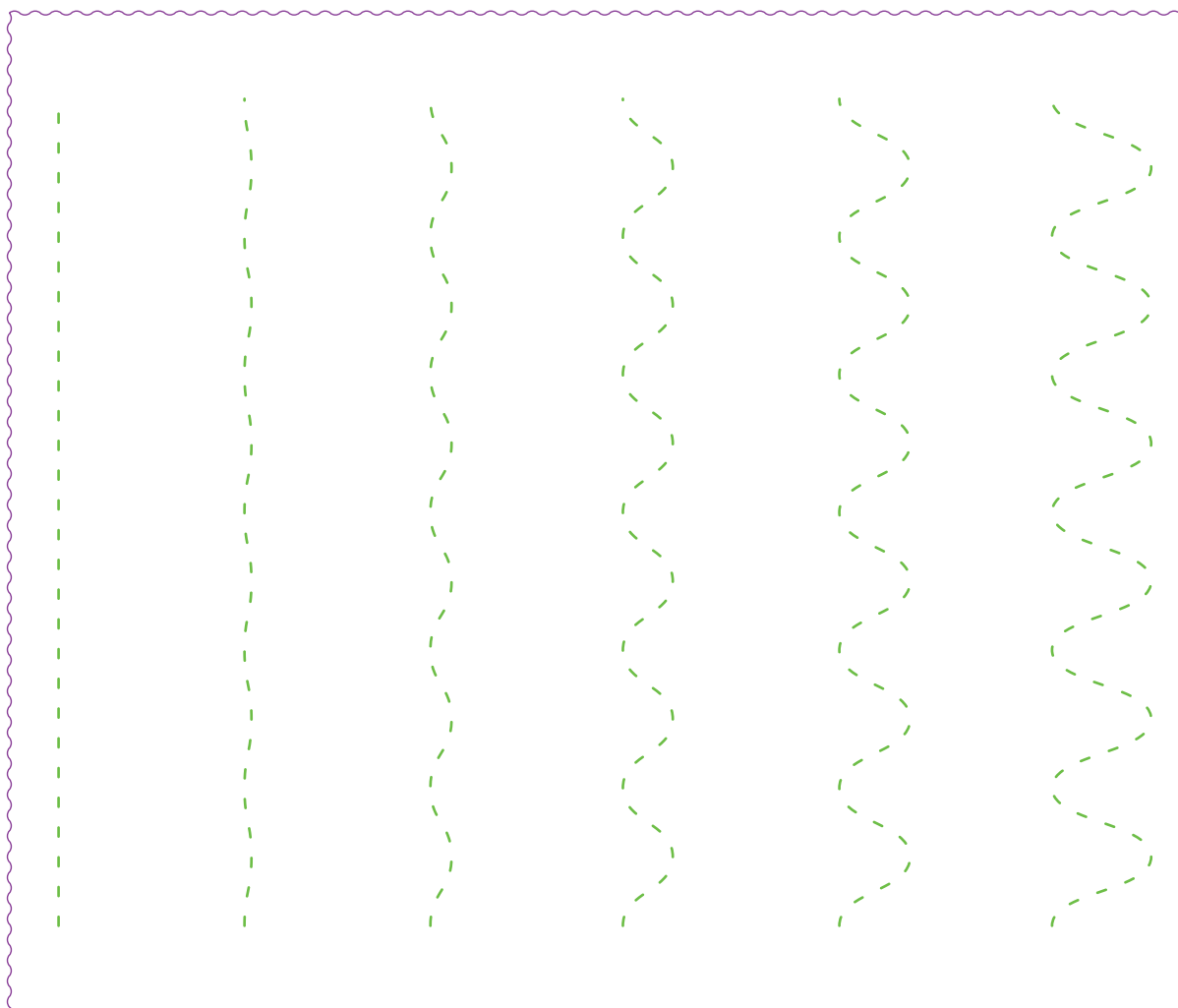


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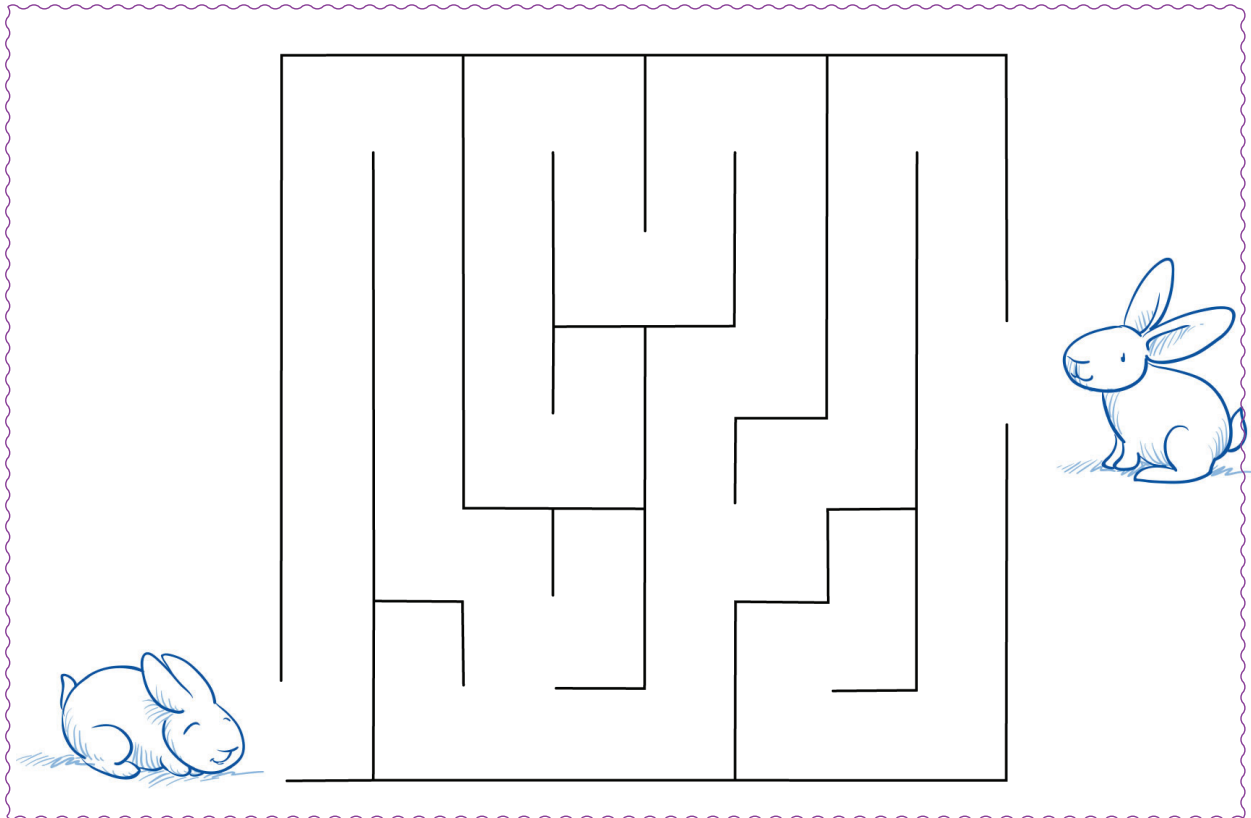
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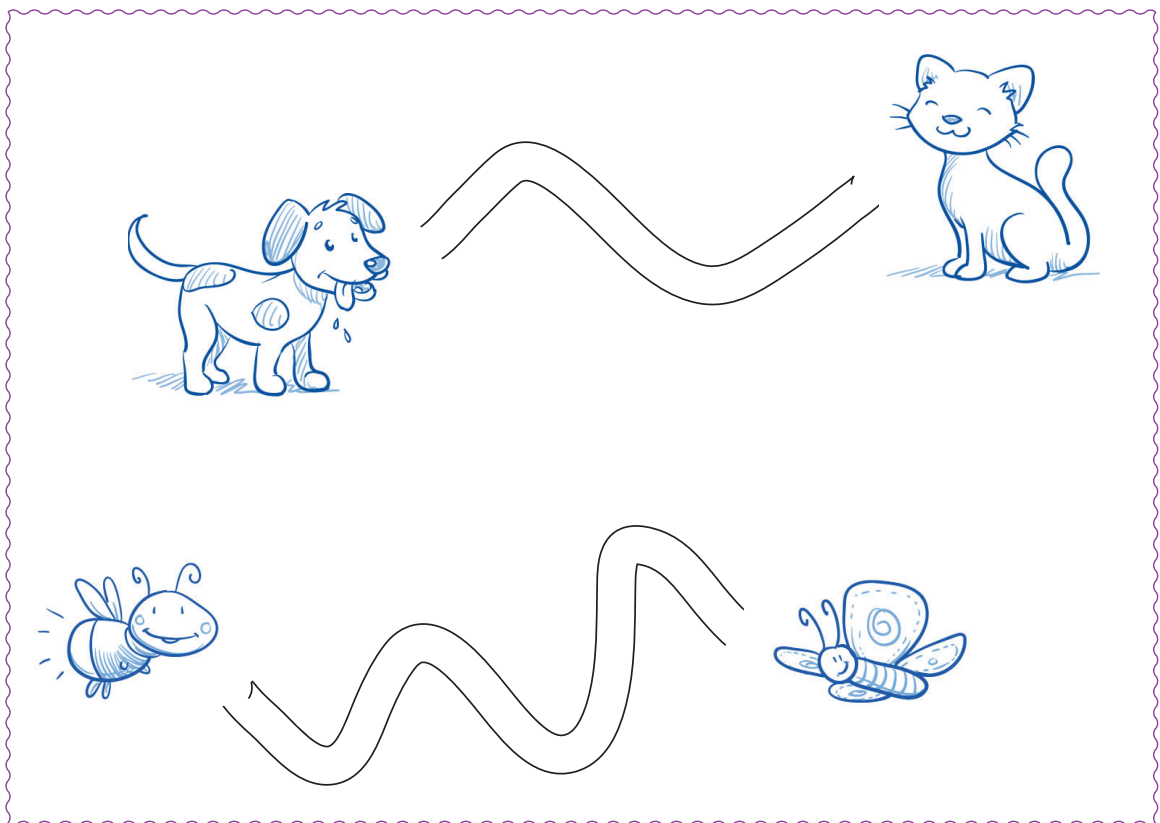
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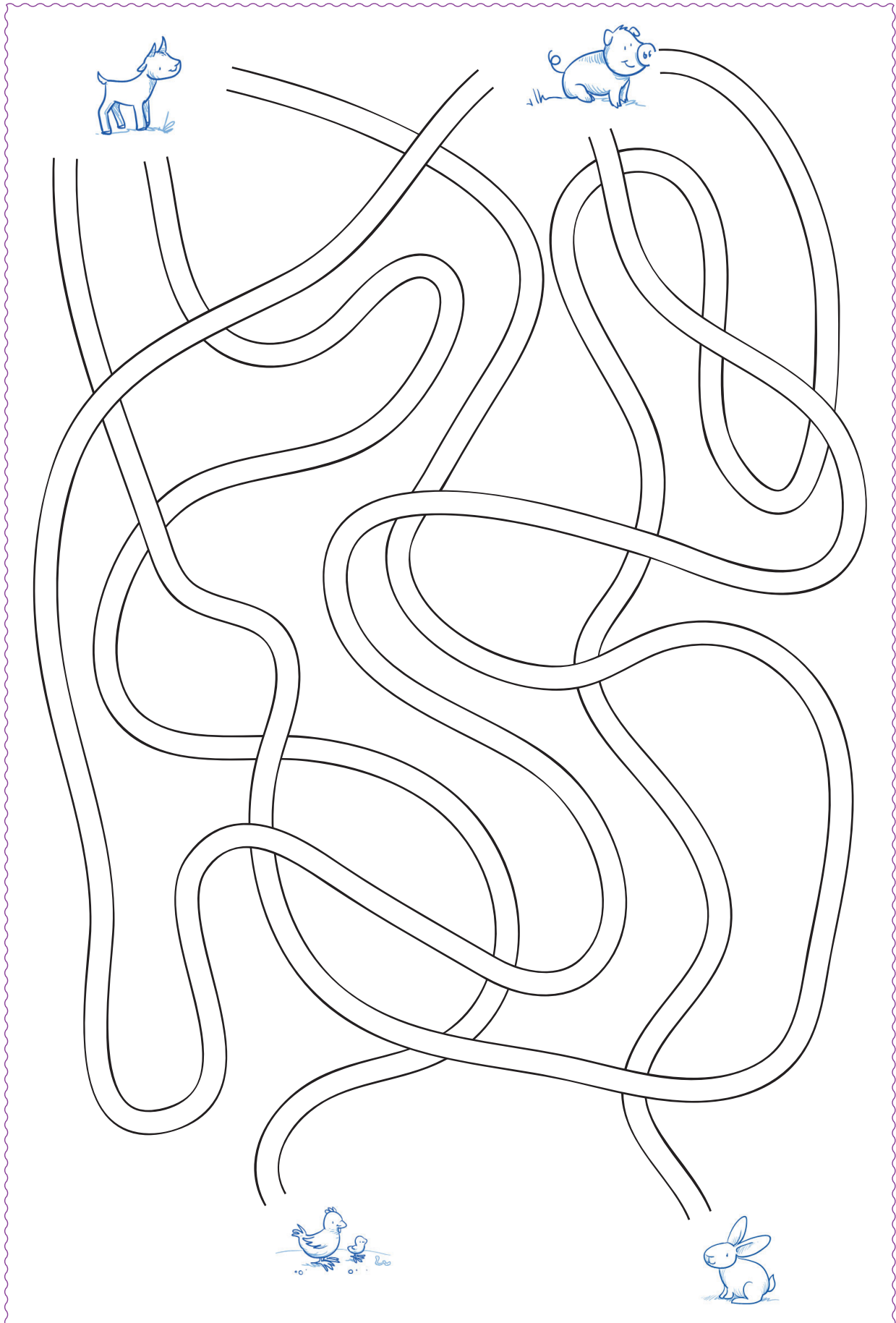
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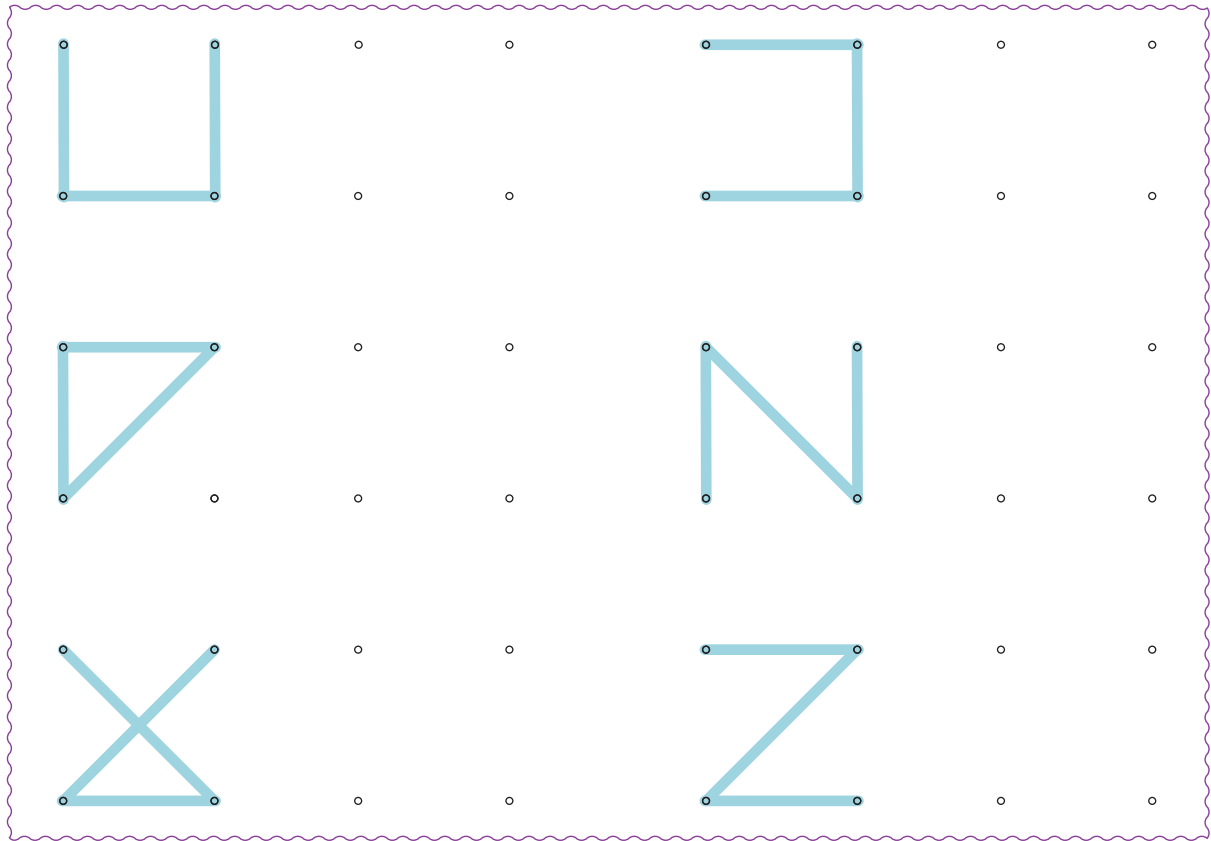
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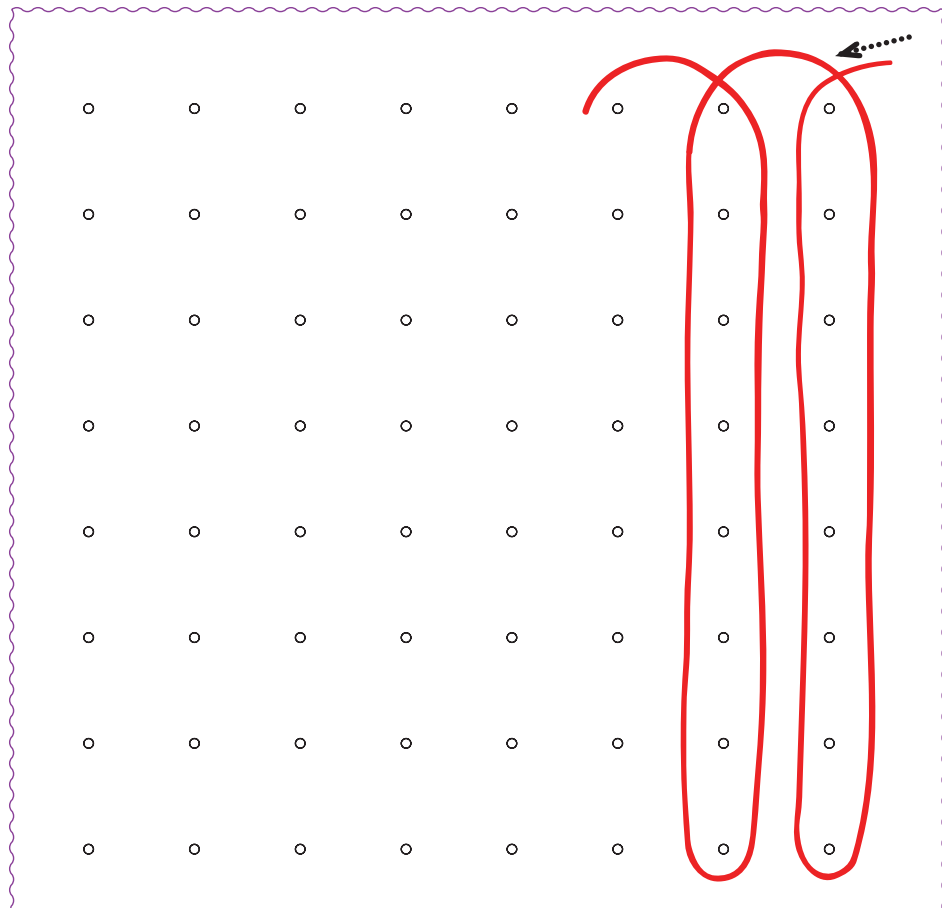
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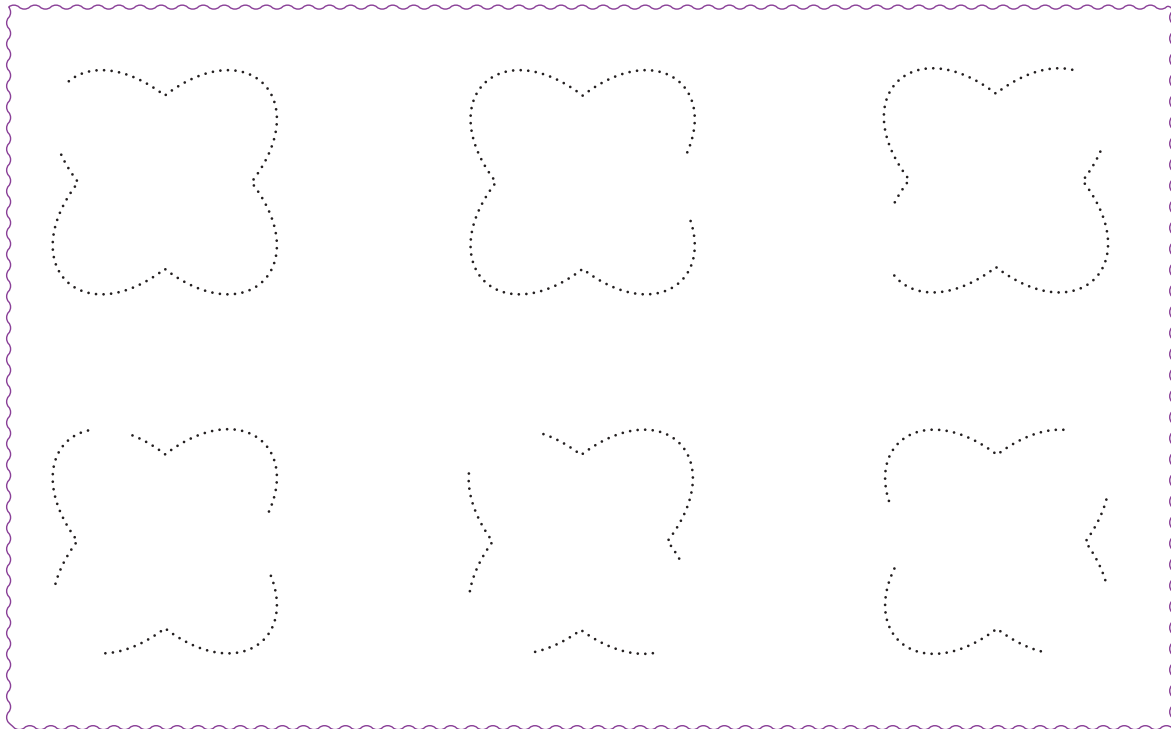


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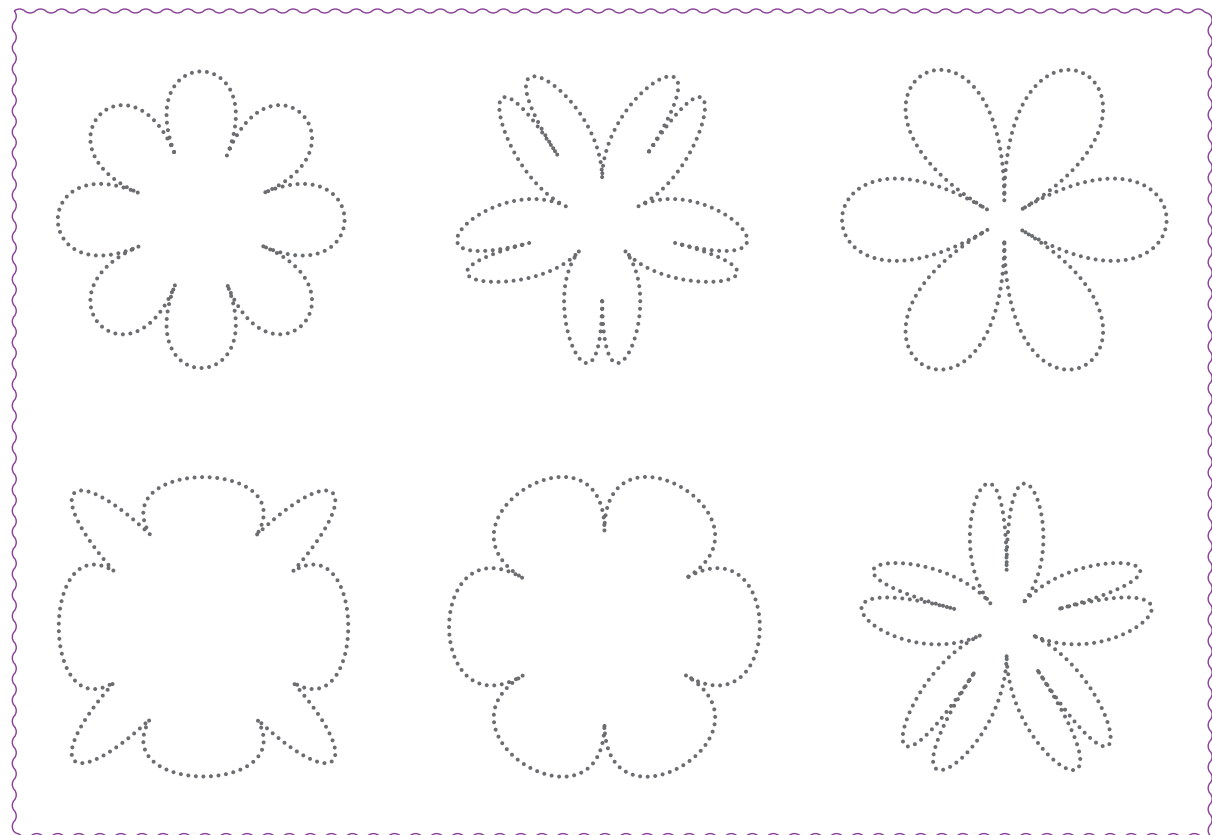


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... SEARCHING AND COMPLETING SHAPES ...



... TRACING DIFFERENT SHAPES ...



... AND MANY OTHER TYPES OF EXERCISES IN THE VARIOUS
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