

Friendshape

by Amy Krouse Rosenthal & Tom Lichtenheld

This is a fantastic book filled with shape puns. Students love it, but you will, too! It's also a great way to create a positive community in your classroom, as it encourages everyone to take turns and apologize if you quarrel with someone. I've used this book with Kindergarten as a way to prepare for quarter/eighth/rest building bricks, as well as practice with 1st and 2nd graders that already read those rhythm patterns.

Please let me know if you have any questions!

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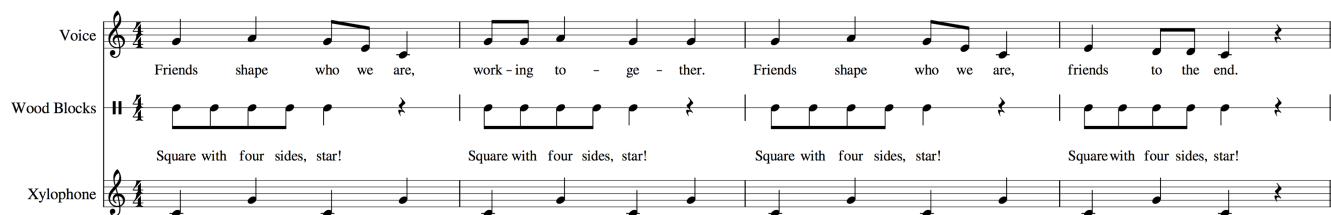
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Friends shape who we are, work-ing to - ge - ther. Friends shape who we are, friends to the end.

- Read book and sing song while turning the page; students learn song through echo imitation
- Create shape chains using math manipulative (pictures, plastic shapes, drawings, etc.)
- Sing song and share shape patterns, one group at a time (in Rondo form with the song)
- **EXTENSION:** Add instrumentation, either just the steady beat/broken bordun OR add the woodblock pattern.



Voice: Friends shape who we are, work-ing to - ge - ther. Friends shape who we are, friends to the end.

Wood Blocks: Square with four sides, star! Square with four sides, star! Square with four sides, star! Square with four sides, star!

Xylophone: (Steady quarter-note pattern)