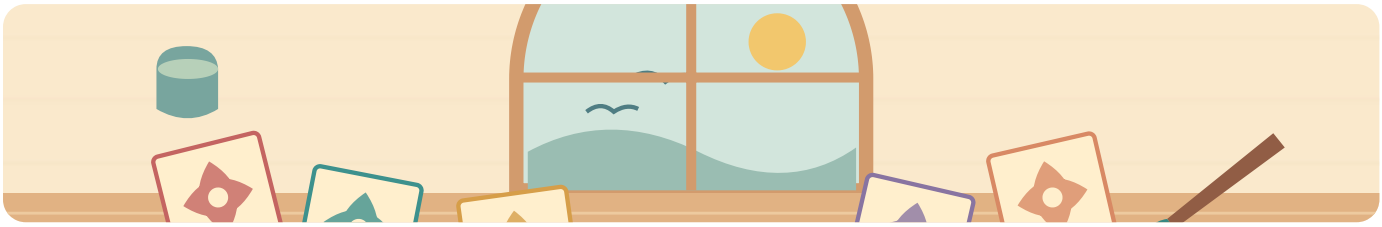
A · Tile maker

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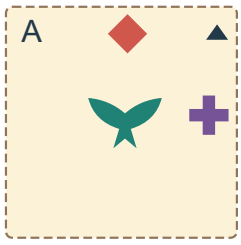


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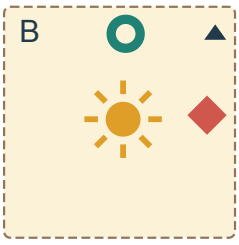
The courtyard mosaic has four missing tiles. Six are on your bench. Your partner has the owner's sketch and knows where the picture starts.

1. Fit four tiles

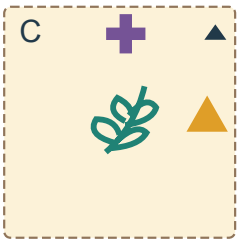
Optional: cut along the dashed edges and arrange the tiles in a square on the table. You can also write each tile letter and its clockwise rotation (0°, 90°, 180° or 270°) in the frame. The small black triangle shows the printed top of a tile.



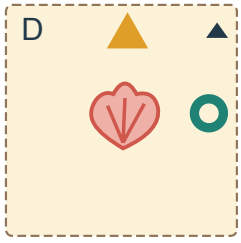
A · swallow



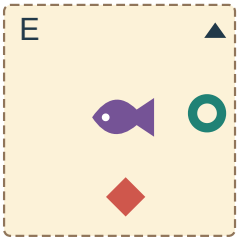
B · sun



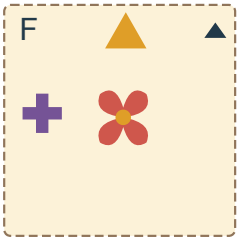
C · fern



D · shell



E · fish



F · flower

NW	NE
SW	SE

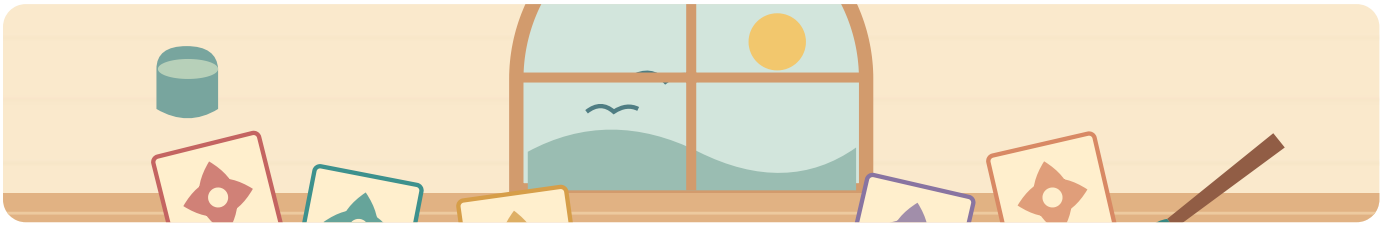
Keep the outside edges of the square blank. Each inside seam must join **two copies of the same colored shape**. Tiles may turn in place but cannot flip over. Use each tile at most once.

2. Read the finished seams

Ask your partner where to start. Read the four joined shapes in the order they give you.

B · Courtyard keeper

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You can’t see the workbench. You have the owner’s notes. Ask your partner what the tile motifs and edges look like.

1. Restore the owner’s picture

- The **swallow** sits at the upper left (NW).
- The **sun** and **fern** are diagonally opposite each other.

Ask your partner to tell you the fourth motif and how every touching edge matches. Write the finished arrangement.

NW	NE
SW	SE

2. Pick the finishing glaze

Start at the seam joining the two top tiles. Move clockwise around the center, reading the right seam, bottom seam, then left seam. For each seam record one shape. Find the glaze that matches all four in order.

Glaze	Top	Right	Bottom	Left
Apricot	◆	○	▲	✚
Sea Glass	◆	✚	▲	○
Rose	○	▲	✚	◆
Pearl	✚	▲	○	◆

Our finishing glaze _____

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Hint 1 · Fix the outside first

Fix the swallow at the upper left. Try the sun and fern in the upper-right and lower-left corners. Their touching marks will tell you which way round they go.

Hint 2 · Try the last corner

The lower-right tile needs two blank outside edges. Its top mark must match the sun's bottom mark. Its left mark must match the fern's right mark.

Solution

NW: A, 90° clockwise. NE: B, 180°. SW: C, 0°. SE: D, 270°. The two unused tiles are E and F.

Clockwise from the seam at the top: diamond, ring, triangle, cross. Choose **Apricot**.

> You brush on the apricot glaze. At sunrise, the four new tiles catch the light along with the rest of the courtyard.