## Making tangram shapes

To make a tangram puzzle, print out the tangram template shown on page 2, mount it on card and then cut out the pieces, or you could try drawing and measuring out your own tangram using squared or graph paper.

Your tangram puzzle has seven pieces:

- 2 large triangles

- 1 medium triangle

- 1 square
- 2 small triangles
- 1 parallelogram


Use a ruler to measure the shapes and complete the table below:

| Shape | Measurements in millimetres (mm) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Large triangle - length of each side |  |
| Medium triangle - length of each side |  |
| Square - length of each side |  |
| Small triangle - length of each side |  |
| Parallelogram - length of each side |  |

With your tangram see if you can make the following shapes. The solutions are on the answer sheet.


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A tangram is an ancient Chinese puzzle. It's made up from seven shapes that fit together make a square.

The diagram below is a template for a tangram.


It's possible to make pictures of many different objects using all seven pieces in a tangram. Here's one example:


