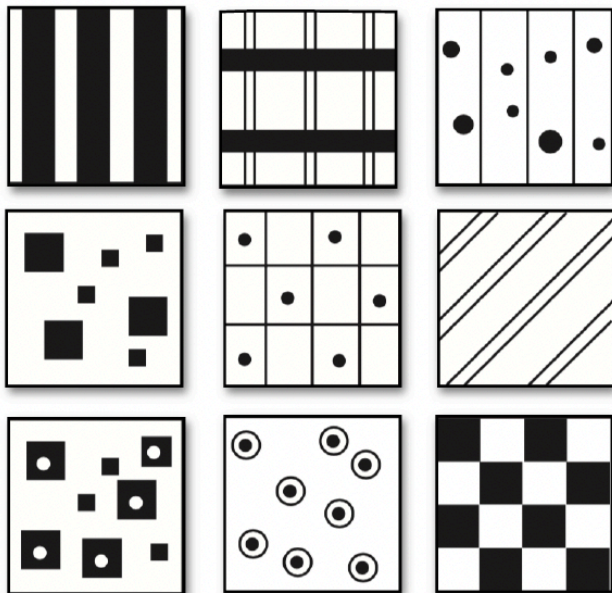


children should be convinced that there is a lot of room for creativity and no shortage of possibilities.

Challenge the children to be as creative as you are and suggest the next clue to begin the game. You might use clues such as: *squares, circles and squares, straight lines, straight lines and circles, wiggly lines, zigzag lines*. Send the first player to the mural to begin. Instruct the children that as they see what patterns are being developed at the board, they should begin creating patterns in their minds so that they will be ready with a new idea when it is their turn.

When it appears that all possible patterns have been exhausted for one clue, then change to the next. Consider jumping in line and playing the game with the children, contributing your own invented pattern in turn. Be familiar with the **sample patterns illustrated here** and prepare to offer a few suggestions to keep the creativity fresh.



Step 3: "Bed in Summer"

Read the poem, "Bed in Summer," shown on student booklet **page 11**.

BED IN SUMMER

In winter, I get up at night,
And dress by yellow candle-light.
In summer, quite the other way,
I have to go to bed by day.

I have to go to bed and see
The birds still hopping on the tree,
Or hear the grown-up people's feet
Still going past me on the street.

And does it not seem hard to you,
When all the sky is clear and blue,
And I should like so much to play,
To have to go to bed by day?

- Robert Louis Stevenson

After a brief discussion of the details of the poem, turn the children's attention to bedspreads and quilts. Encourage them to share about the kinds of bed coverings they have in their own bedrooms. Describe a *quilt* as *a bed covering filled with feathers, the covering of which is made from many squares of cloth that are sewn together like a puzzle*. Then tell the children that the whole class is going to **work together to make a quilt cover**. Read *Scripture Talk* and describe working together in the Body of Christ as being much like making a quilt. To make the quilt, everyone will have to share the work.