

## Activity Idea

<b>Activity</b>	Mehndi Patterns
<b>Main Focus</b>	Space and Patterns

### Activity Plan

<b>Resources</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Foil</li> <li>• Lollipop sticks</li> <li>• Paint</li> <li>• Coloured rice in a tuff spot or tray</li> <li>• Powder paint or chalk</li> </ul>
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<b>Activity</b>	<p>Show the children pictures of mehndi patterns and explain that you are going to make your own using different materials. There are a number of different methods you can try. As the children are drawing discuss the shapes and use mathematical language.</p> <p>Pour a drop of paint onto foil and use a lollipop stick to draw patterns through it.</p> <p>Move your finger through coloured rice to make a pattern.</p> <p>Use chalk or powder paint to draw patterns outside.</p> <p>Take photos of the temporary patterns and display them.</p>
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<b>Extension Opportunities</b>	<p>Consider using face paints (following a risk assessment and dependent on allergies) to draw Mehndi patterns on the children's arms.</p>
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