Geometric Puzzles for All Ages

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I will share many puzzles, at many levels of difficulty, involving tangrams and pentominoes.

Spoiler alert: along the way, I will reveal the answers to some questions.

Workshop Links

During or after the workshop, you may want to access virtual manipulatives:

<u>Tangrams</u> | <u>Virtual Grid Paper</u> | <u>Pentominoes</u>

Student shares from an online version of this workshop:

<u>Tangrams Screenshots</u> | <u>Pentominoes Screenshots</u>

I will reference these PDFs:

<u>Tangram Polygons</u> | <u>Three-Pentomino Puzzles</u> | <u>One-Inch Grid Paper</u>

More

<u>Geometric Puzzles in the Classroom</u> is my main article on this topic. <u>Puzzles in Math Education</u> provides a philosophical framework.

Possible hands-on introduction to tangrams: <u>Tearing Tangrams</u>

More on pentominoes:

Pentomino Labs

Tiling Rectangles with Pentominoes (puzzles on grid paper)

Taking it further: <u>Supertangrams</u> | <u>Rep-tiles</u>

Finally, these links lead to lots of free relevant materials:

Geometric Puzzles

Geometry Labs (especially Ch. 2, 4, 8, 10)

<u>Polyomino Lessons</u> (puzzles on grid paper)

Symmetry

Manipulatives

For a Tool-Rich Pedagogy