

# Qwirkle – Hack it! Make “Shady Shapes”!

## Materials

- 2mm-Black (or white) 9”x12” Foam Sheets (2 ¼ sheets needed for one game hack)
- Crafter’s Square Foam Stickers from Dollar Tree (one package with either 160 or 200 pieces in it, otherwise you will need 2 or 3 of the same package) See Image 1.
- Access to a guillotine paper cutter or quilter’s rotary cutter or (worst case) scissors



Image 1

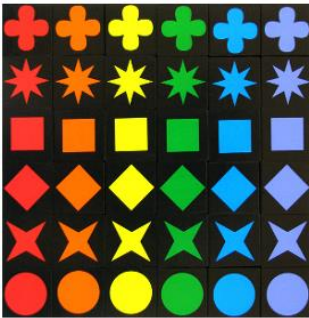


Image 2

The original Qwirkle game has 36 pieces – six different shapes which each come in six different colors. **See Image 2.** These 36 pieces come in triplicate so there are a total of 108 pieces.

## How to hack it:

- 1) Cut black foam sheets into 108 square pieces with 1½” sides. It is easiest to cut the foam sheets into 1½” strips and then into squares. A guillotine paper cutter or quilter’s rotary cutter work great for cutting the foam sheets. **See Image 3.**



Image 3

- 2) Sort the stickers from your package according to shape and color.  
**See Image 4.**



Image 4

- 3) You should have eight different shapes, each in six different colors, in your package. Select the six shapes you like the most and remove the other two shapes. You will need three of each shape and color so make sure you have three of each one you decide to use. **See bottom half of Image 5.**
- 4) Place the foam stickers on the 108 black foam 1½” squares you cut. **See top half of Image 5.** Again, you should have three of each shape and color – that is, three yellow cows, three green cows, three blue cows, and so on.



Image 5

**NOTE:** For colorblind students, you can write the name of the color on the foam stickers – PINK, PURPLE, BLUE, GREEN, RED, YELLOW – so they can play as well.

**Play Shady Shapes using Qwirkle rules or other games you make up using these colorful pieces!**