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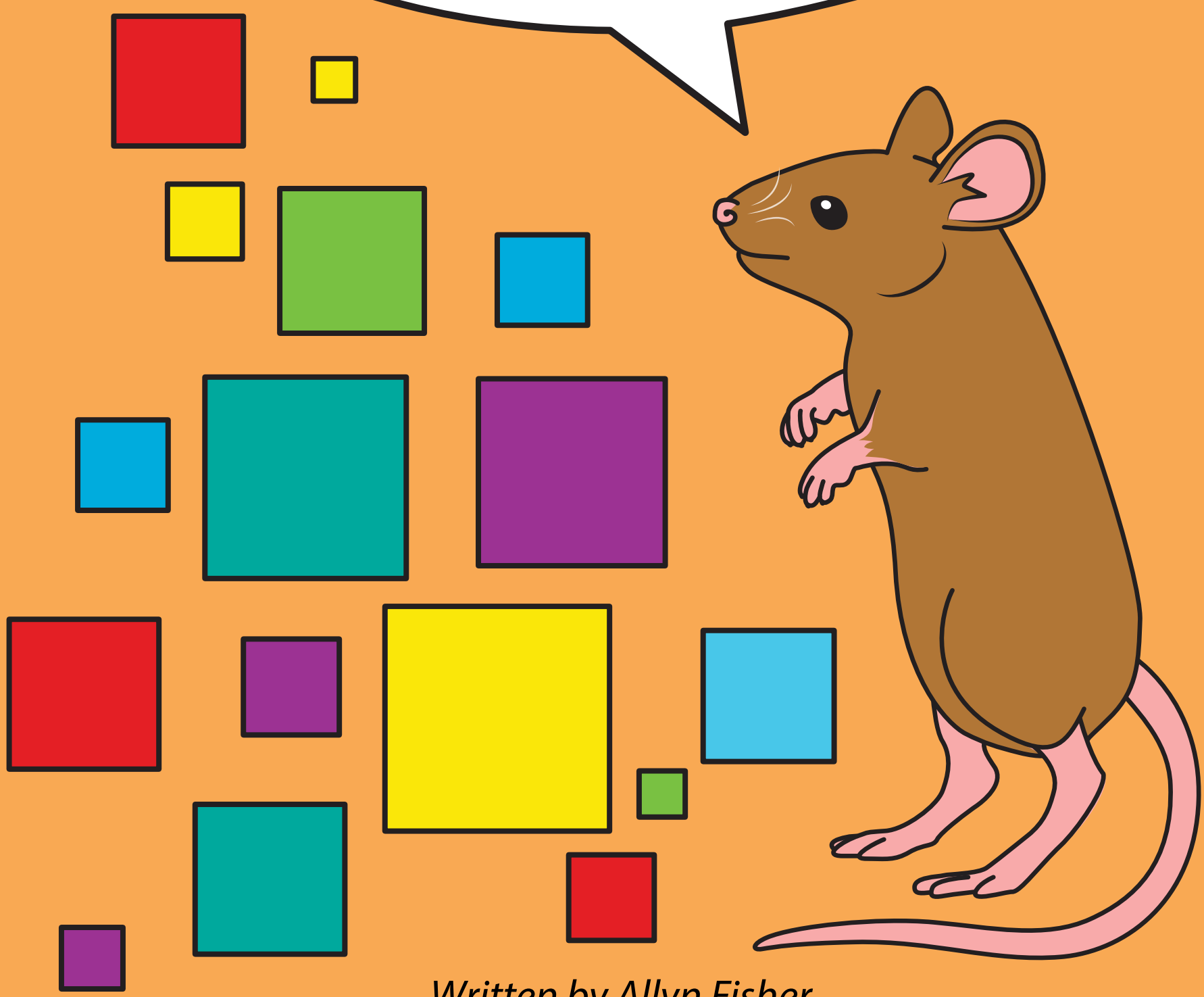

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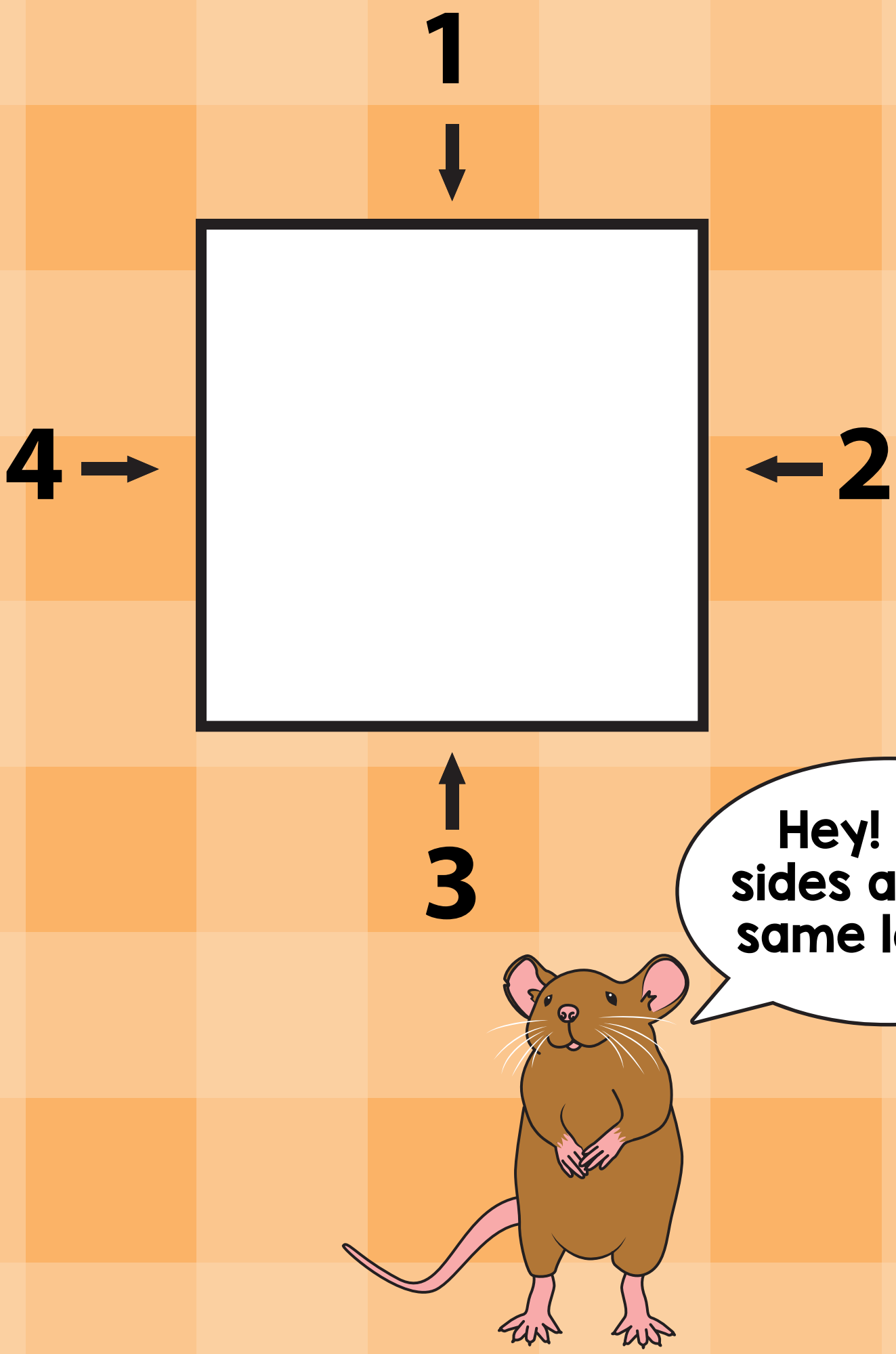
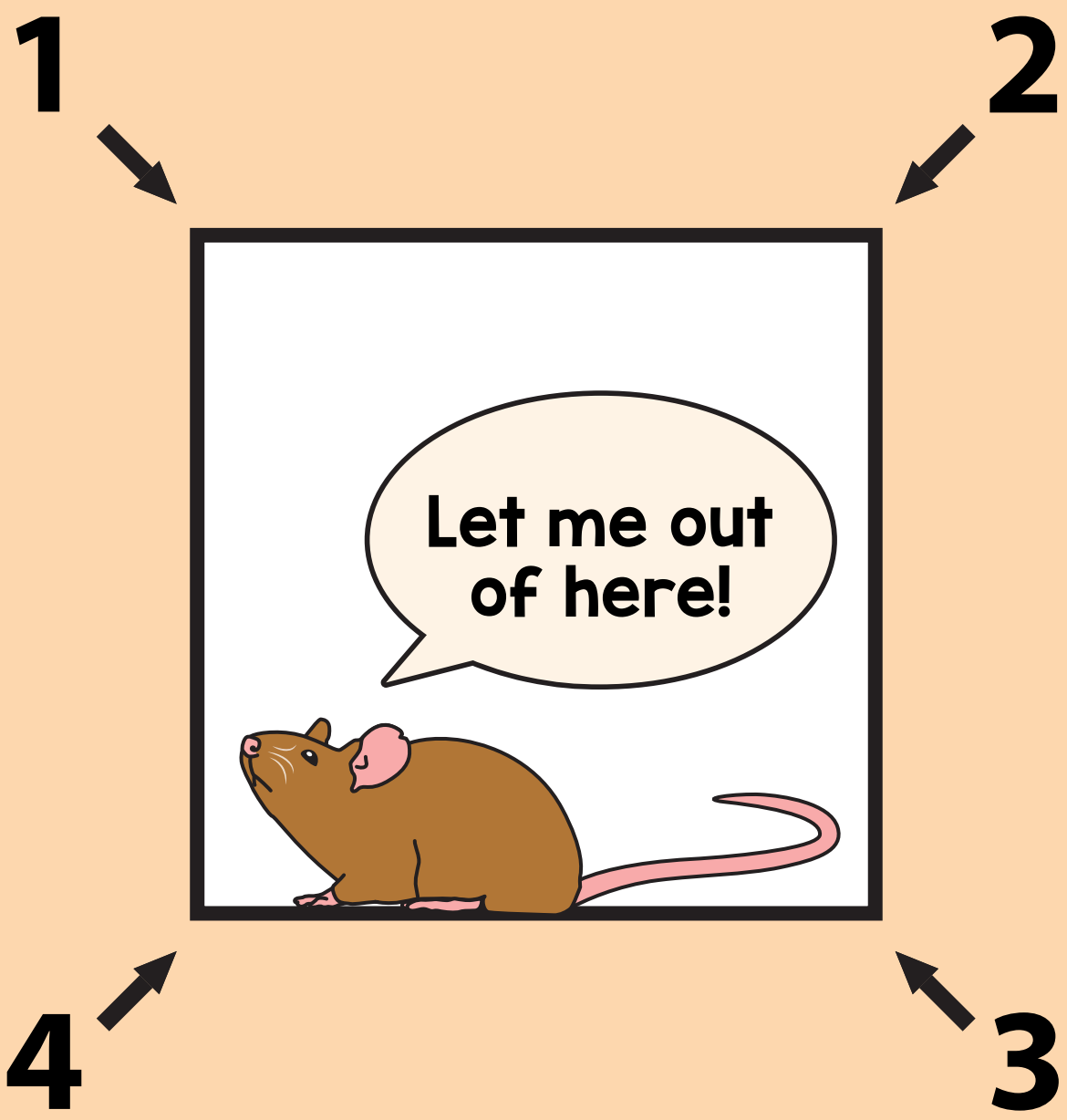
A square is a shape with 4 straight sides...



and 4 corners.



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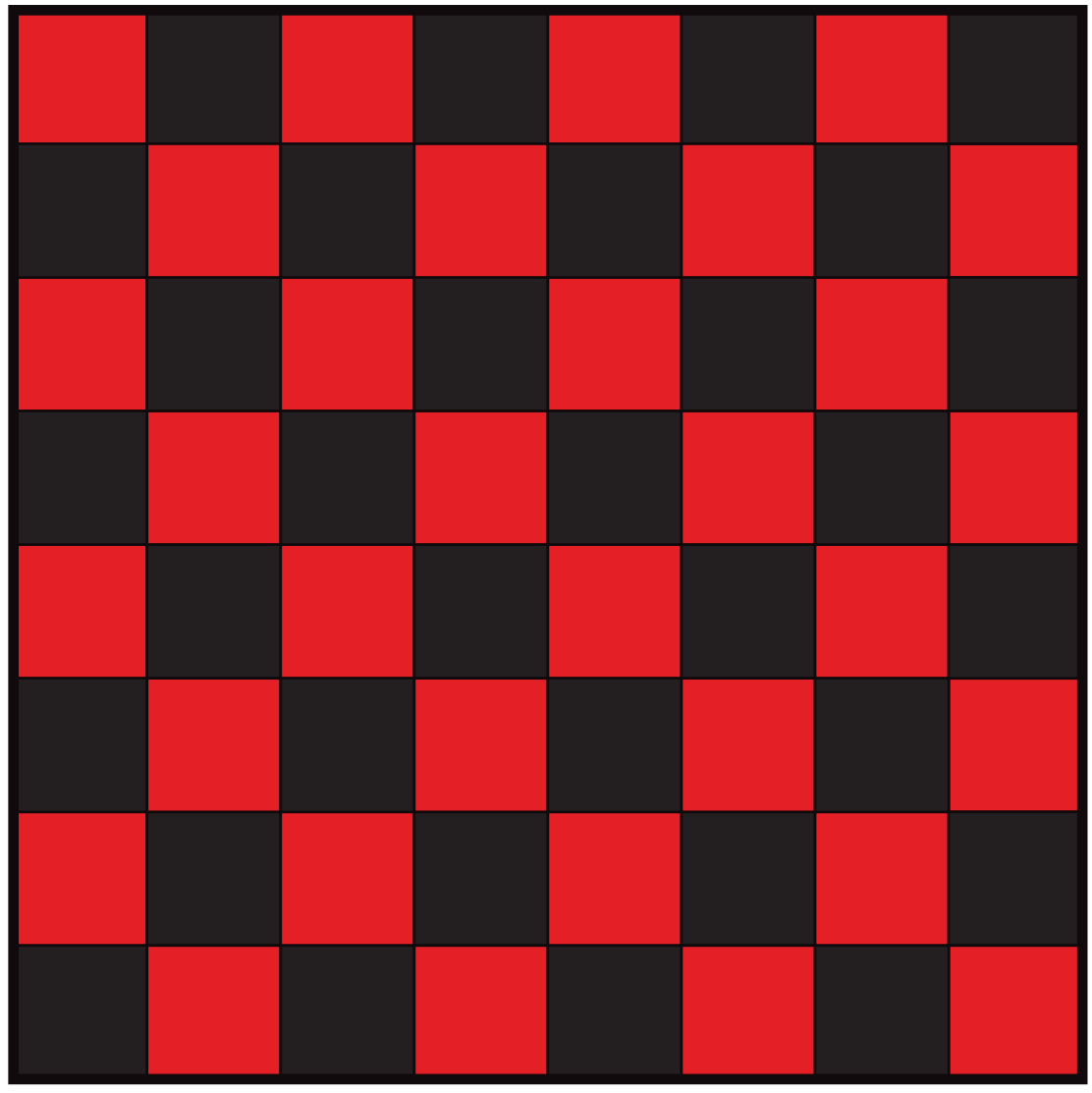
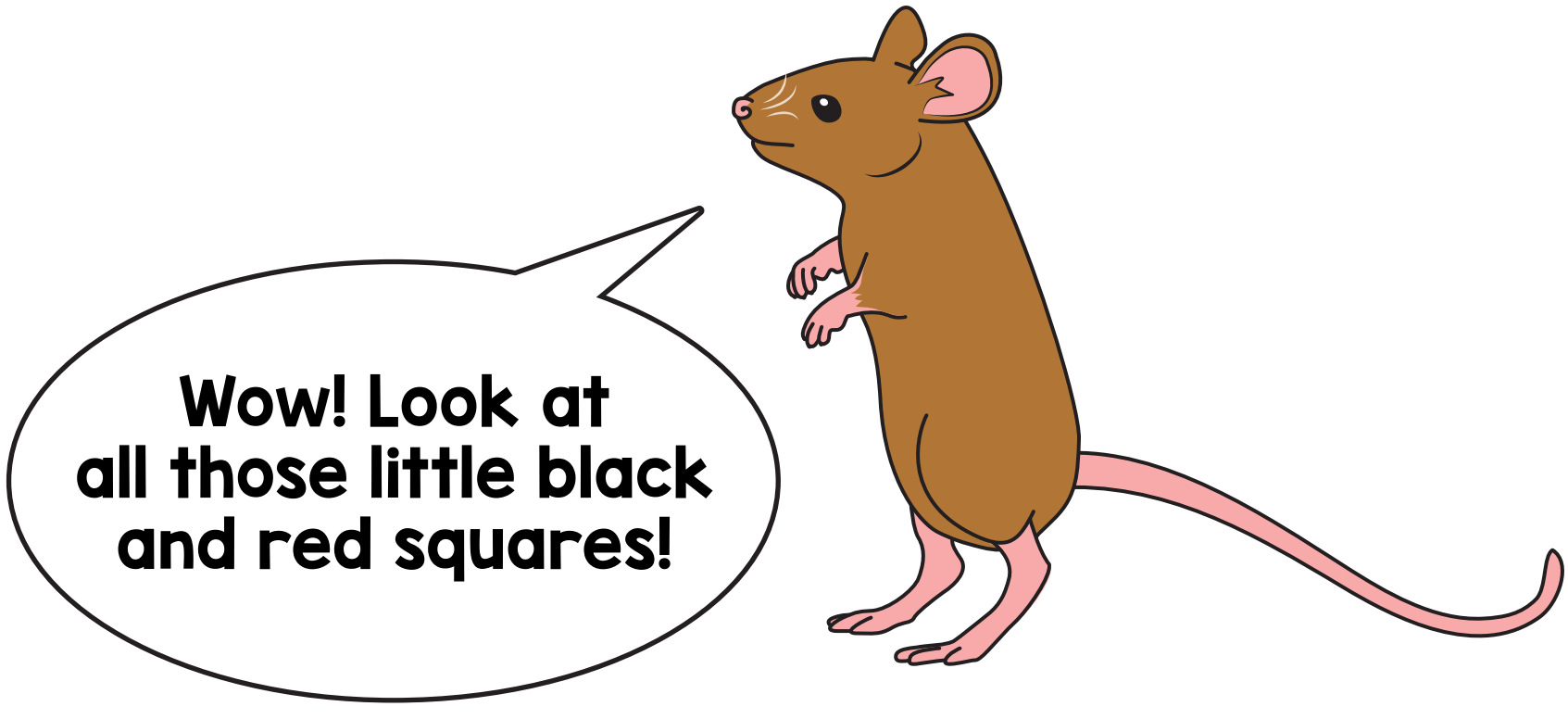
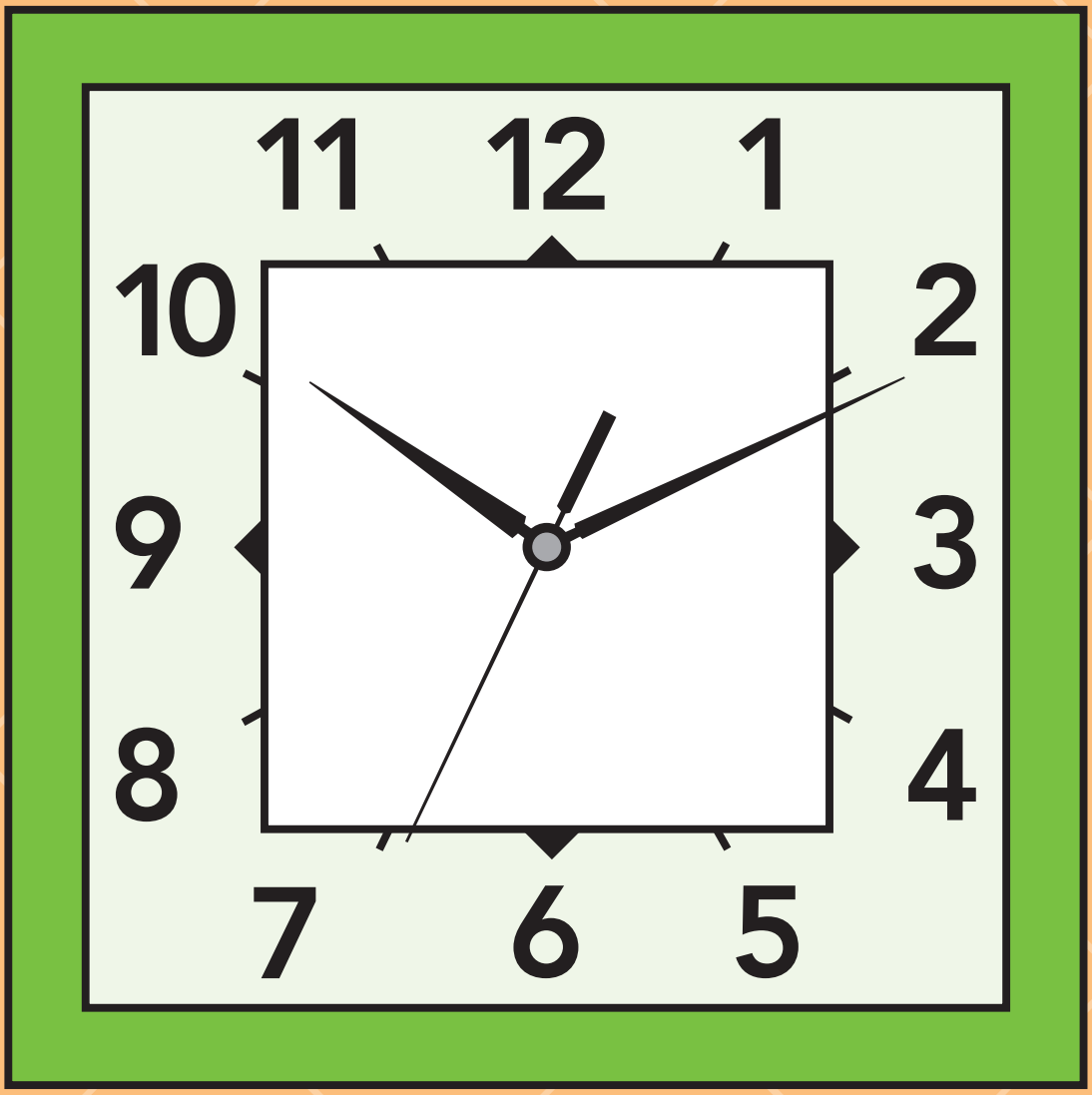
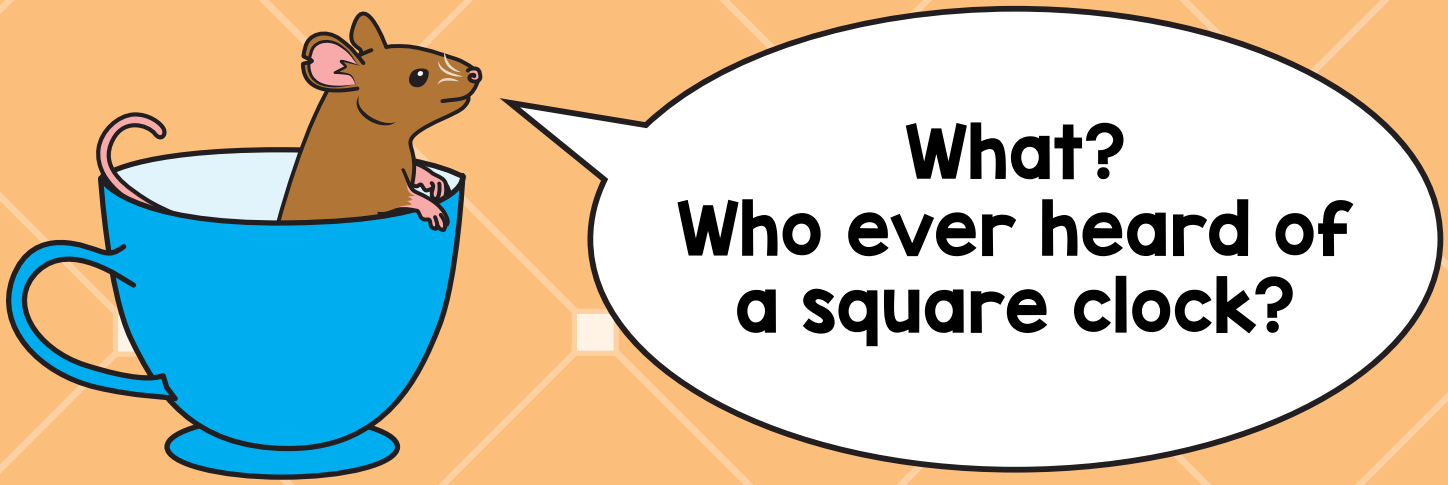




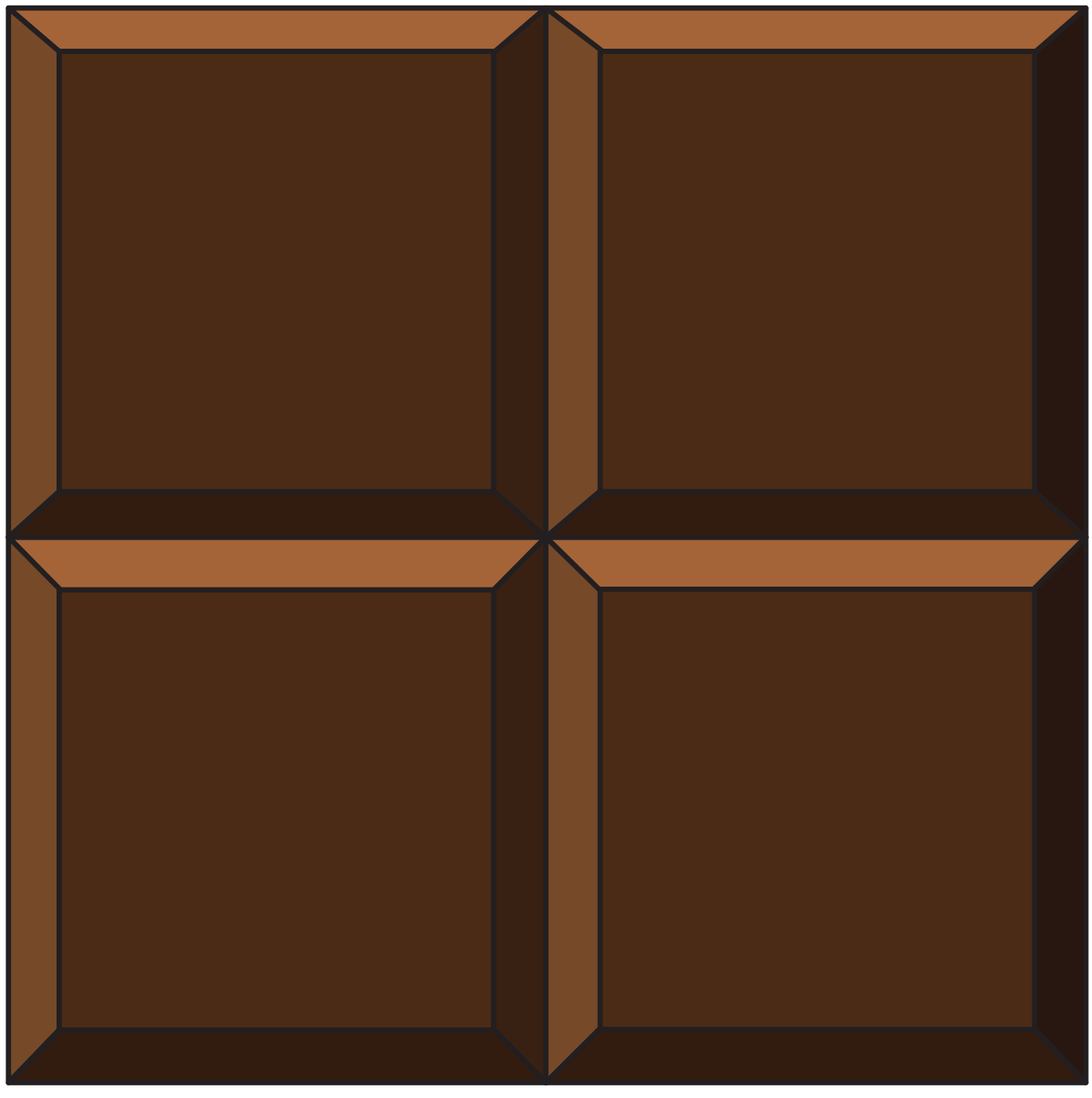
This clock is square.





Here are some
chocolate squares.

Can you count them?



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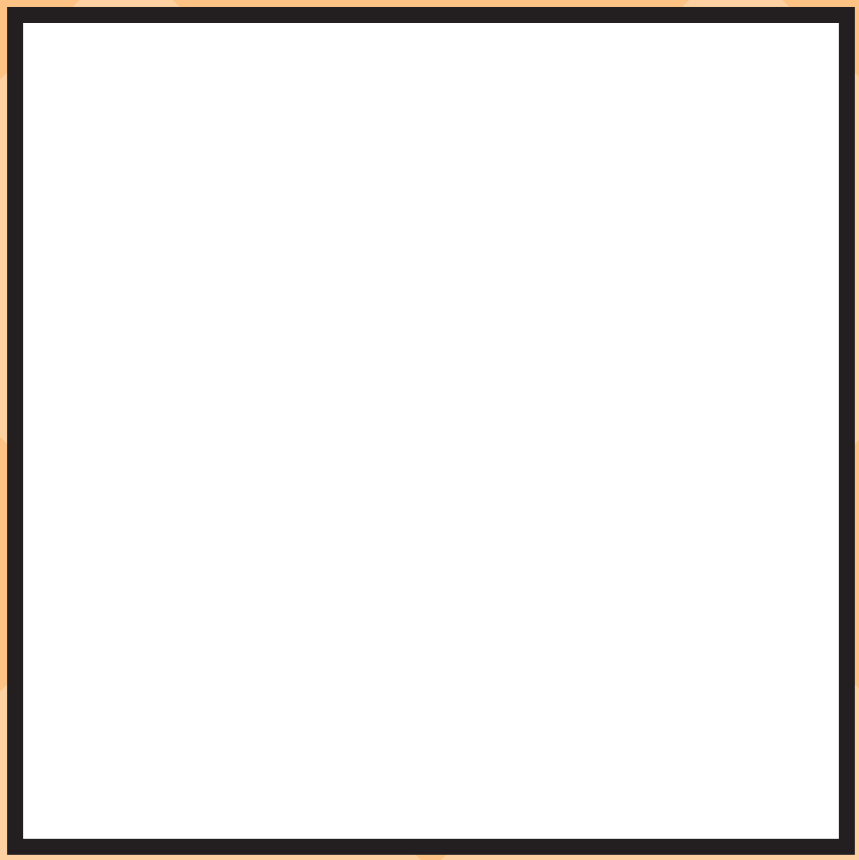

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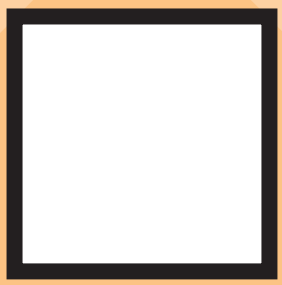
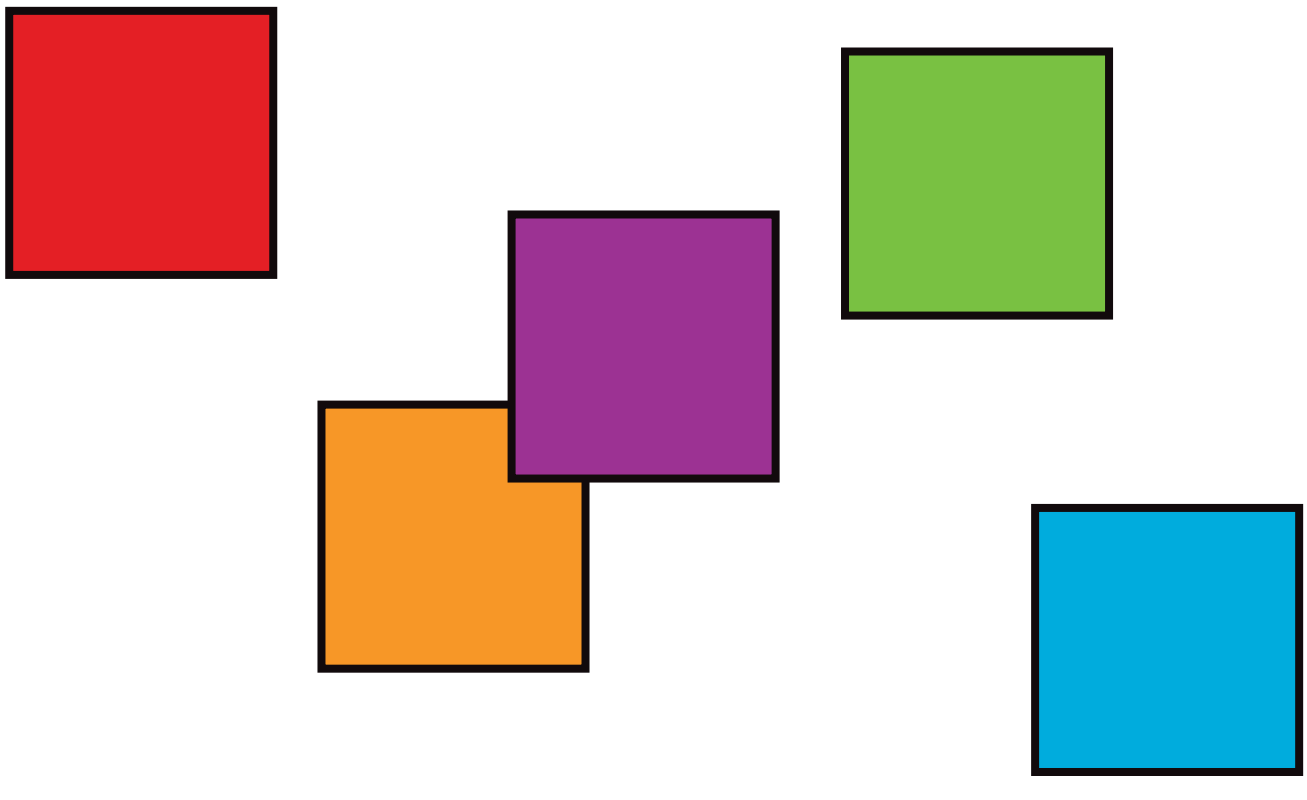
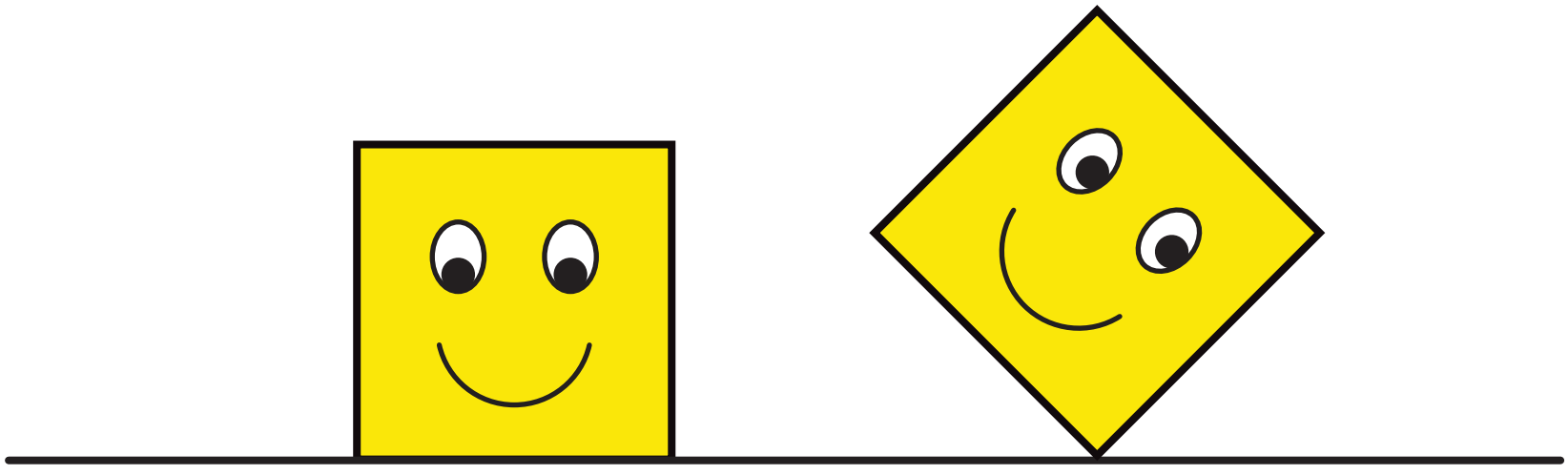


Squares can be any color.



A square can sit on its side or on its corner.



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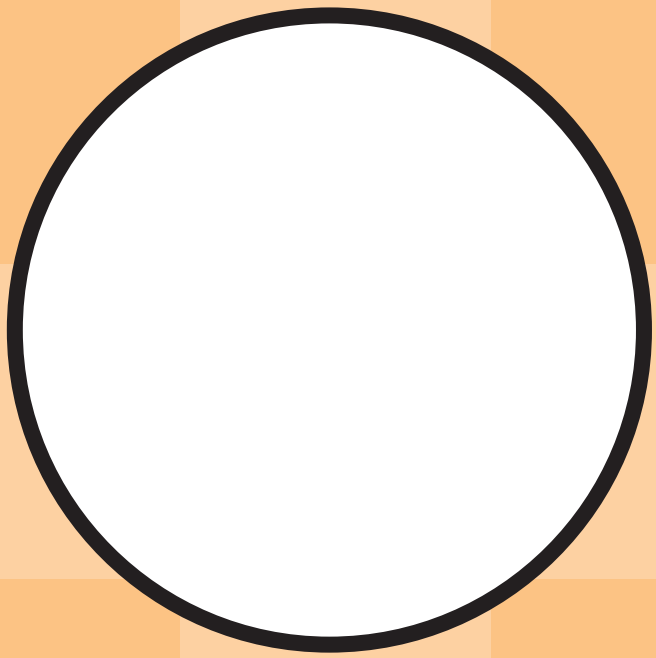

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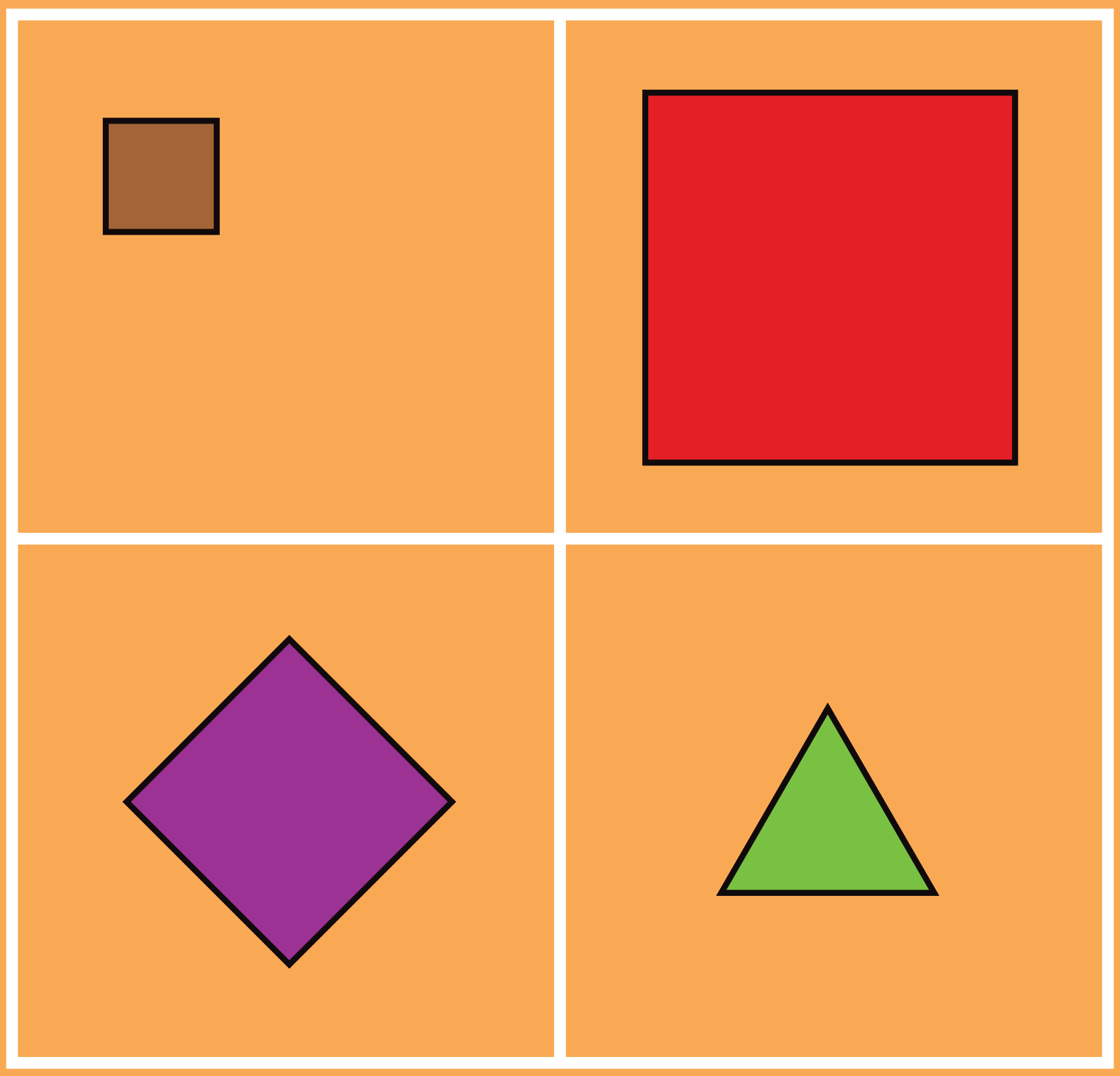
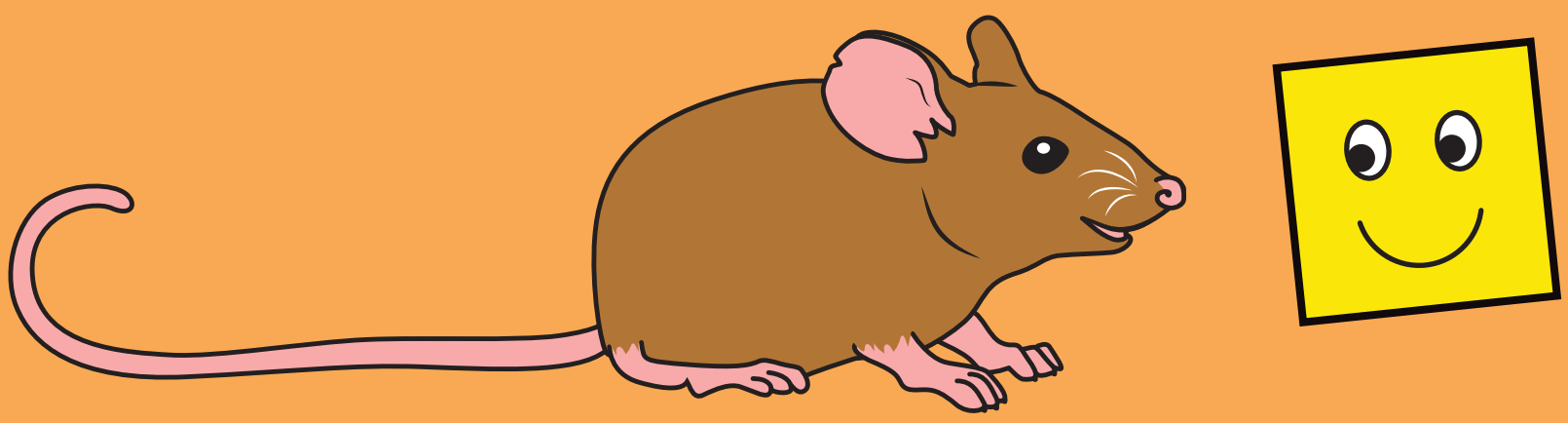
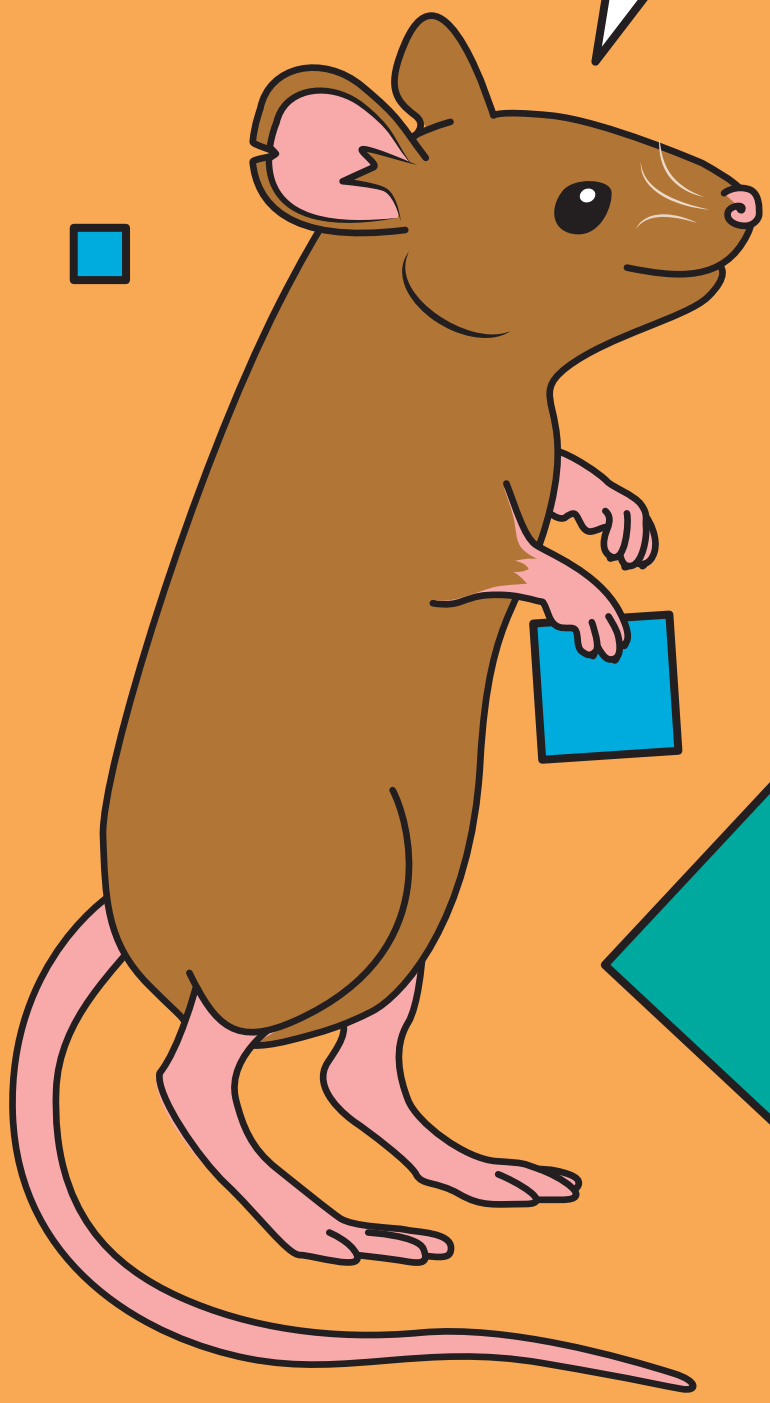
Where are the squares?





Squares are everywhere!



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