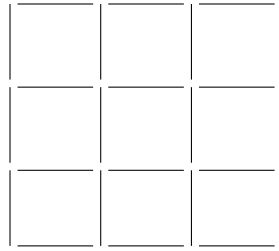
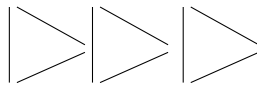


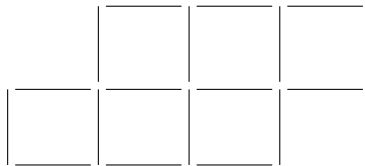
Question 1: Take away four toothpicks to get five equal squares.



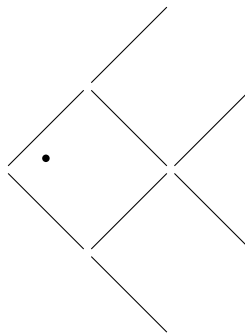
Question 2: Move three toothpicks to get four triangles (the triangles can be of different sizes).



Question 3: Take away two toothpicks to get four equal squares.



Question 4: Move two toothpicks and the eye so that the fish would swim in a different direction.



Question 5: What is the SMALLEST number of toothpicks you can use to make:

1 equilateral triangle: ____

2 equally sized equilateral triangles: ____

3 equally sized equilateral triangles: ____

4 equally sized equilateral triangles: ____

Guess how many you need to make 6 equally sized triangles. Was your guess correct?

Guess for 6: ____

Actual number need to make 6: ____

Question 6: What is the SMALLEST number of toothpicks you can use to make:

1 square: ____

2 equally sized squares: ____

3 equally sized squares: ____

4 equally sized squares: ____

Can you figure how many you'll need to make:

28 equally sized squares: ____

100 equally sized squares: ____

Question 7: Come up with a question related to Question 5 or 6. Can you solve your partner's question?

Question 8: What is the largest shape (shape with largest area) you can make with 6 toothpicks? How about 8? Check your answer by using the graph paper to estimate the area of each shape you make.

Challenge Problem: How many toothpicks do you need to make a 37×49 grid?

Challenge Problems: For each of the following problems, start with your toothpicks as shown below:

- 1) Remove eight toothpicks to leave only three squares.
- 2) Move six toothpicks to make only twelve triangles and only seven squares.
- 3) Move four toothpicks to make only eight triangles and only seven squares.
- 4) Move four toothpicks to make only nine triangles and only seven squares.

