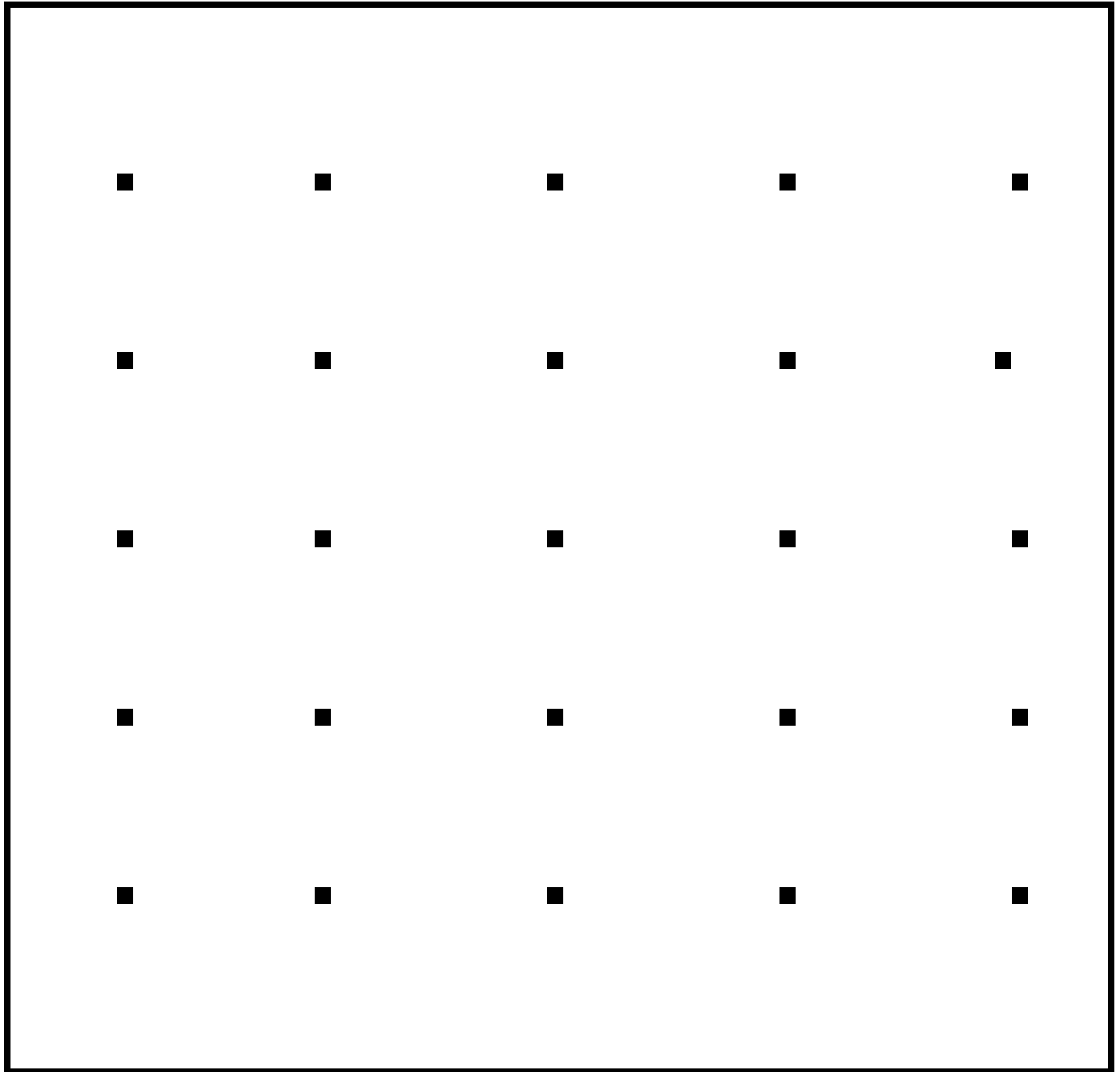


Geoboards

Cut a 7" square from 1" thick plywood. Be sure to sand edges until they are smooth. Hammer 25 nails $\frac{1}{2}$ " deep into the square $1\frac{1}{4}$ " apart. Use sturdy 2" nails with smooth, flat heads.



Activity: Geoboards

- Introduce geoboards to the children.
- Begin by placing geoboards on the table with rubber bands.
- Allow children to explore and experiment with the boards and rubber bands.
- Invite children to use a rubber band to make a shape on the board. For example, say, "Can you use a rubber band to make a triangle?" "Now can you make a square?"

Teacher Note: *Provide an outline of the different shapes on cards as a visual cue for children. Label the shapes on the cards. Show the child a card and say, "Can you make a triangle like this one?"*