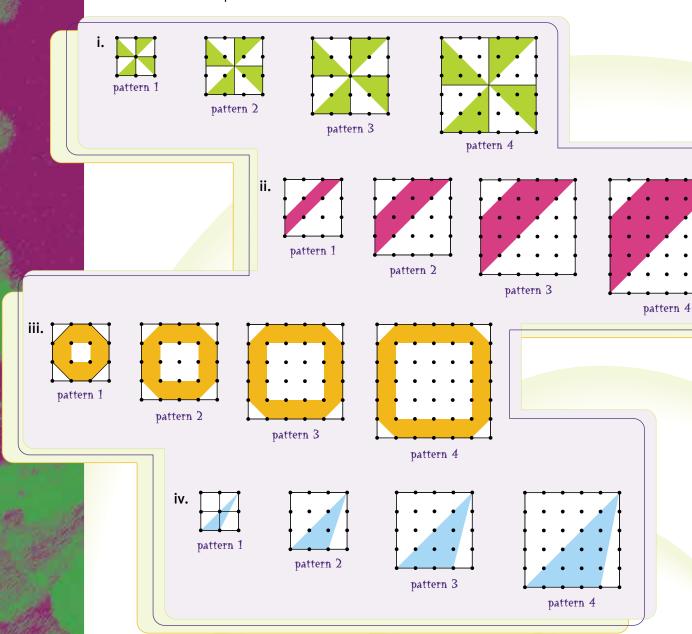
Areas of Interest

You need: geoboards or square dot paper

ACTIVITY

- 1. a. For each square below, work out the area of the shaded section. Note that $\frac{1}{2}$ has an area of 1 square unit (1 unit²) and $\frac{1}{2}$ has an area of $\frac{1}{2}$ unit².
 - **b.** Find rules to work out the area of the shaded sections in any pattern of each sequence.
 - **c.** Use your rules to calculate the area of the shaded section in the tenth pattern of each sequence.



2. Make up an area pattern sequence on square dot paper.

Ask a classmate to work out a rule for the area of any shaded section in the pattern sequence. Check that their rule works.