CONTAINER/LID COMBINATION FOR STORING FOOD AND OTHER ARTICLES

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Abstract: A system for aiding the visual matching of containers having diverse openings with matching lids includes affixing, such as by molding or embossing, geometric planar patterns (10a) on the bottom walls (10a) of a plurality of rectangular containers having different sized openings and affixing the same geometric patterns to the top wall (12a) of the matching lids.
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