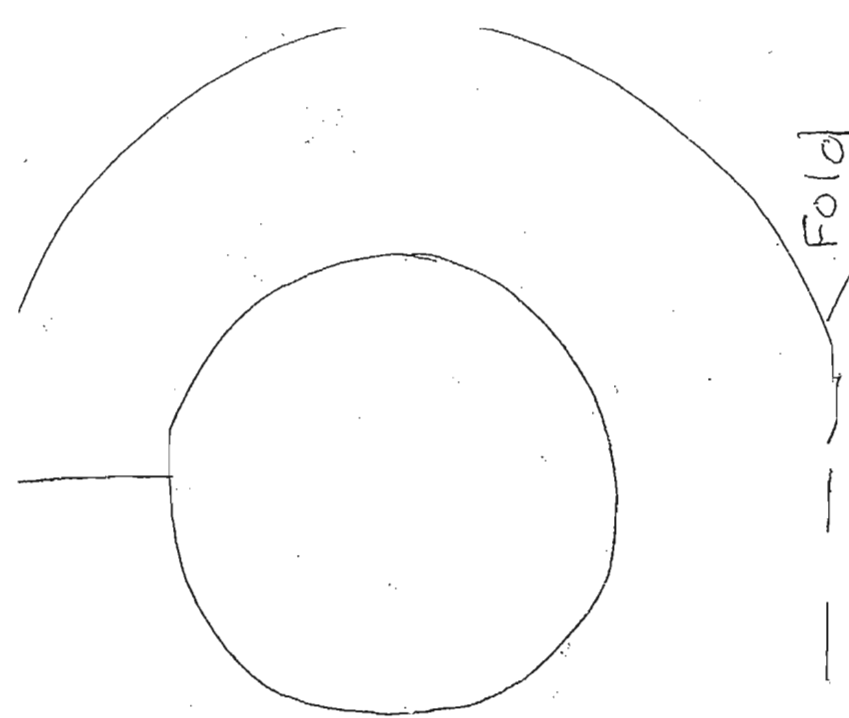




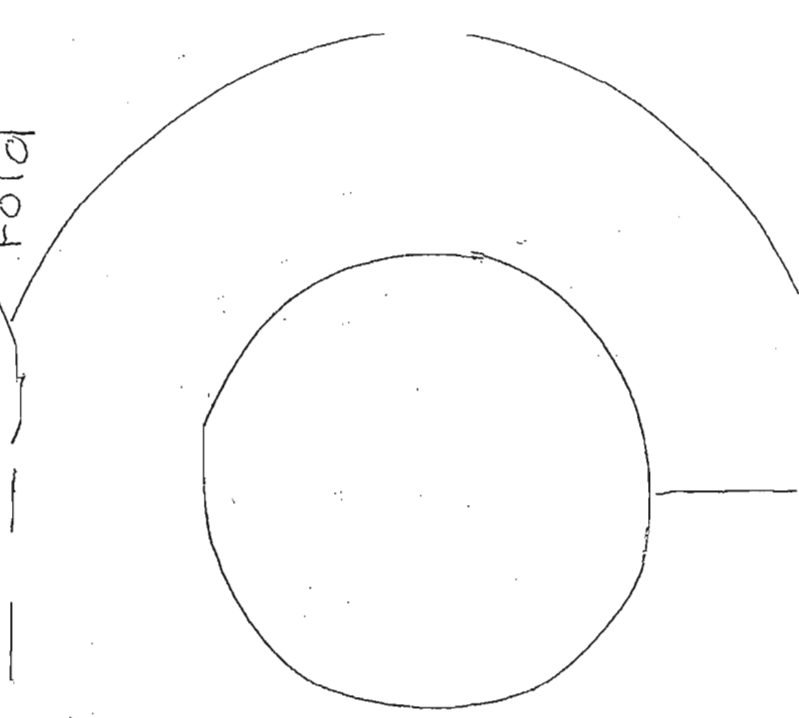
Leaves

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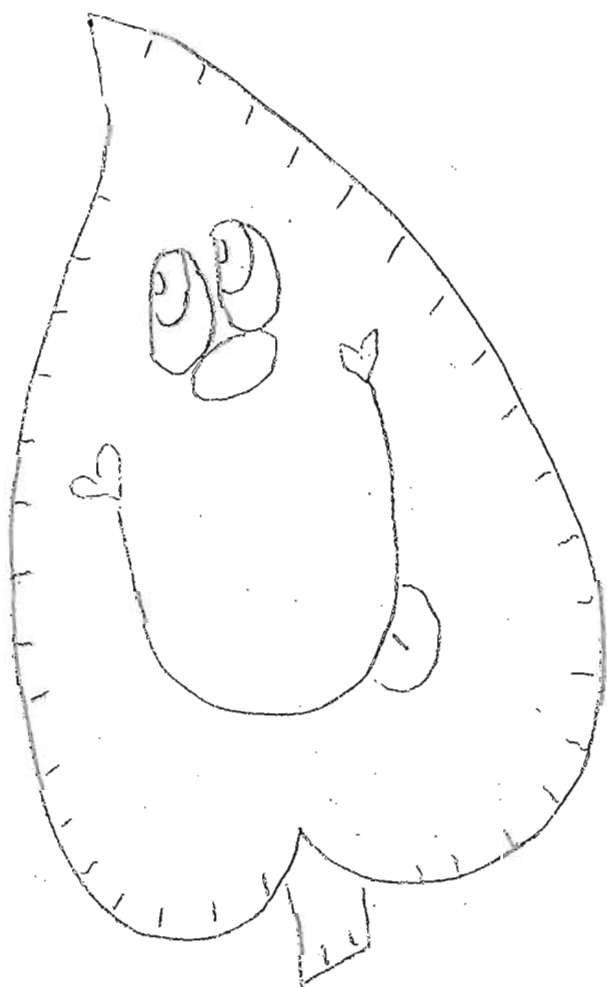


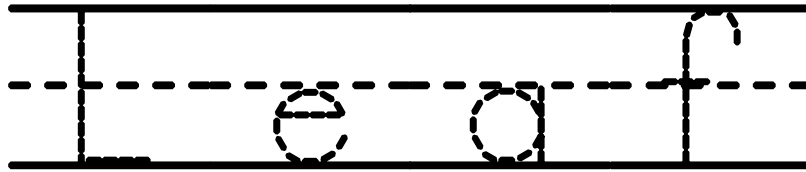
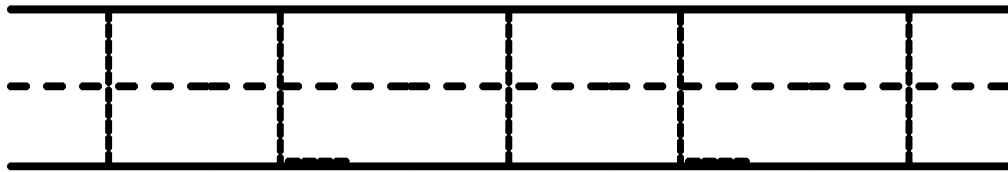
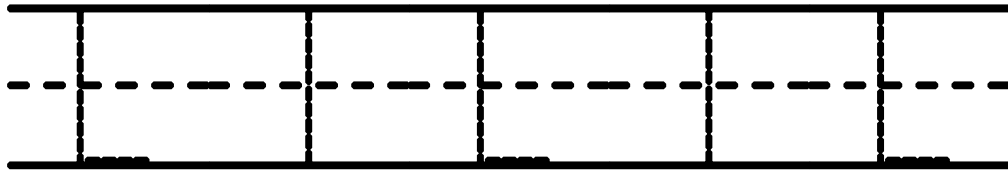
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Do NOT Disturb!

**ENTER at your
own risk!**





Write some Ll's on your own on the bottom.

WRITE your name on the TOP of the paper.
FIND your name in the picture and CIRCLE it.



Choose 2 Colors & Bingo Dot an **ABAB** PATTERN!



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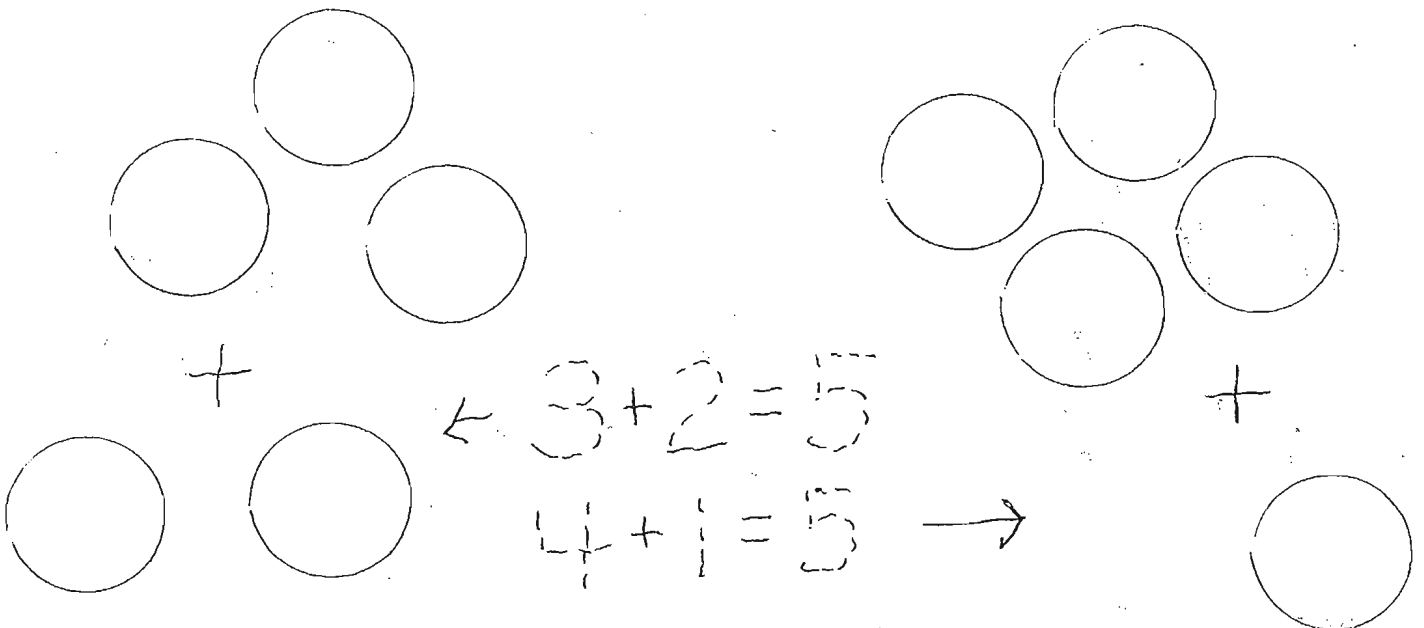
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Bingo Dot A Group Or Set Of 5

$$3+2=5 \text{ or } 4+1=5$$

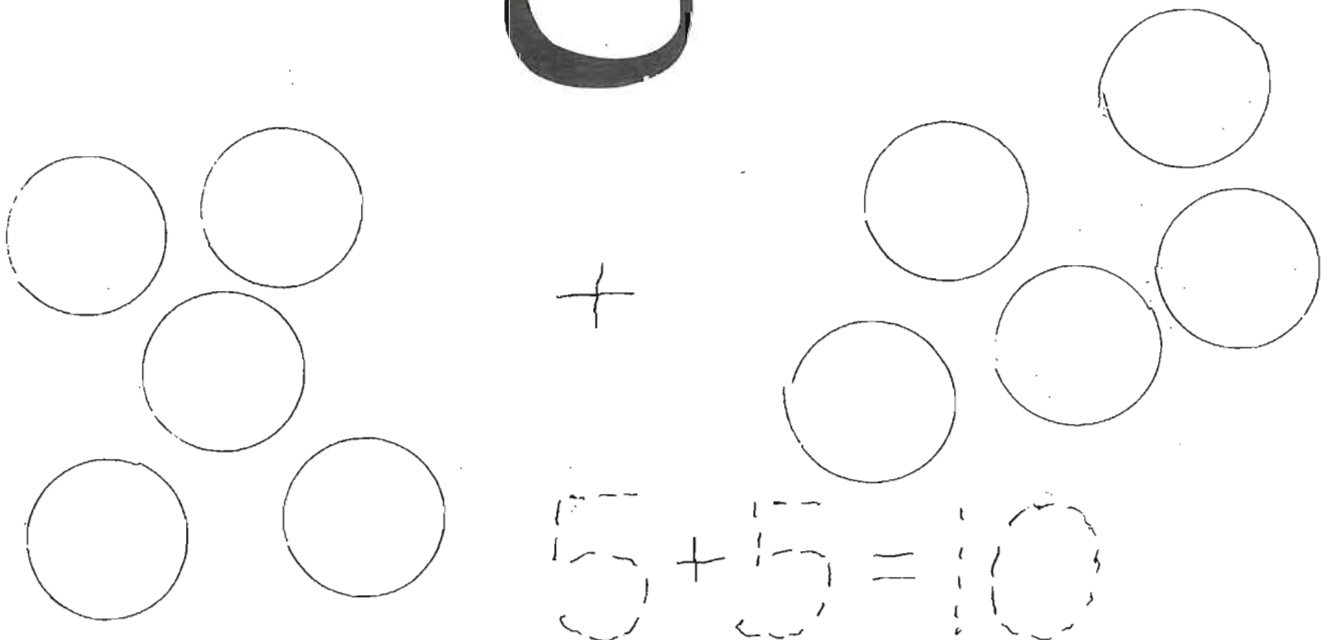
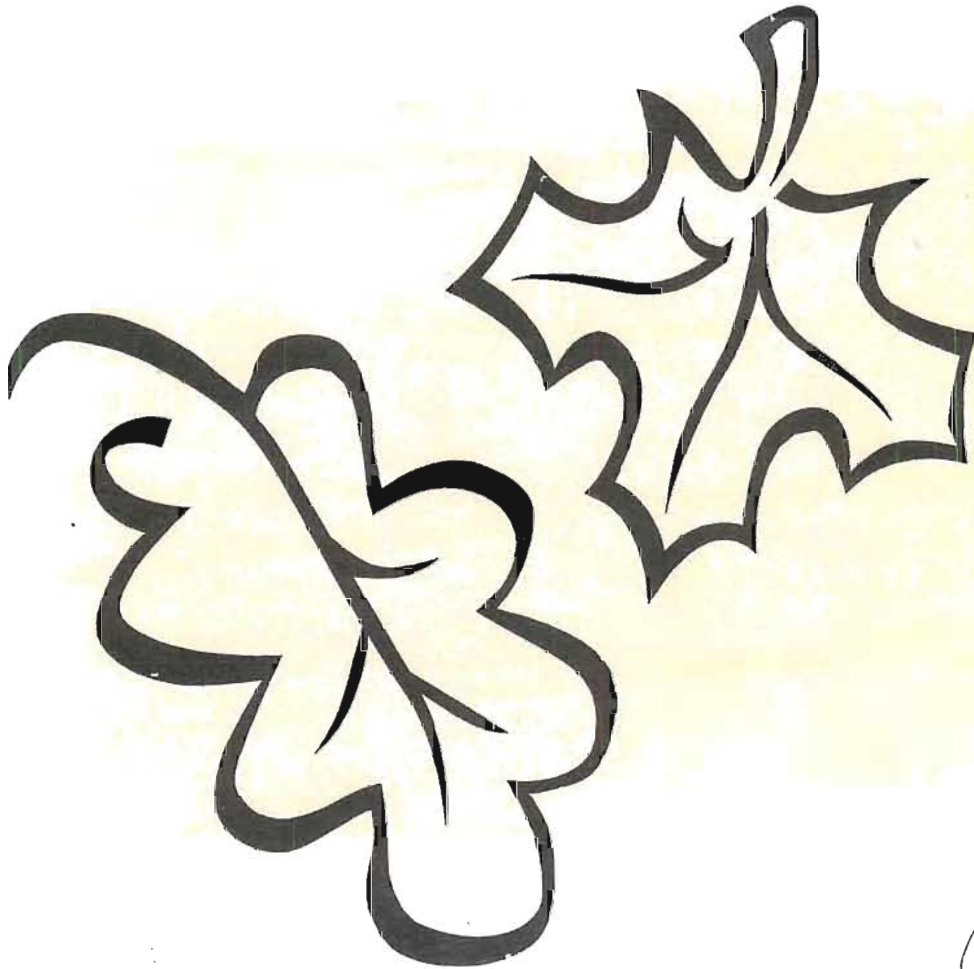
Circle the group/set that you are going to make.
Use a DIFFERENT color for the 2 different sets.



Bingo dot a group / set of 10

5 + 5 again, $5 + 5 = 10$.

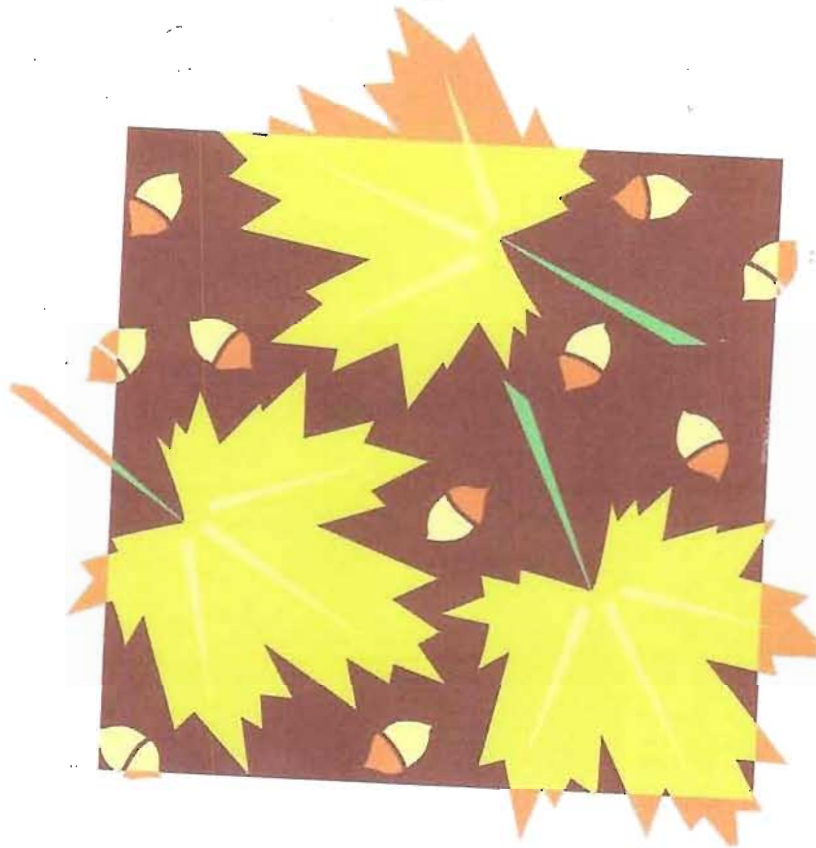
Use a DIFFERENT color for each set of 5.



Bingo Dot A Group/Set Of _____.

Use A DIFFERENT color for each of the sets.

TRACE your equation.



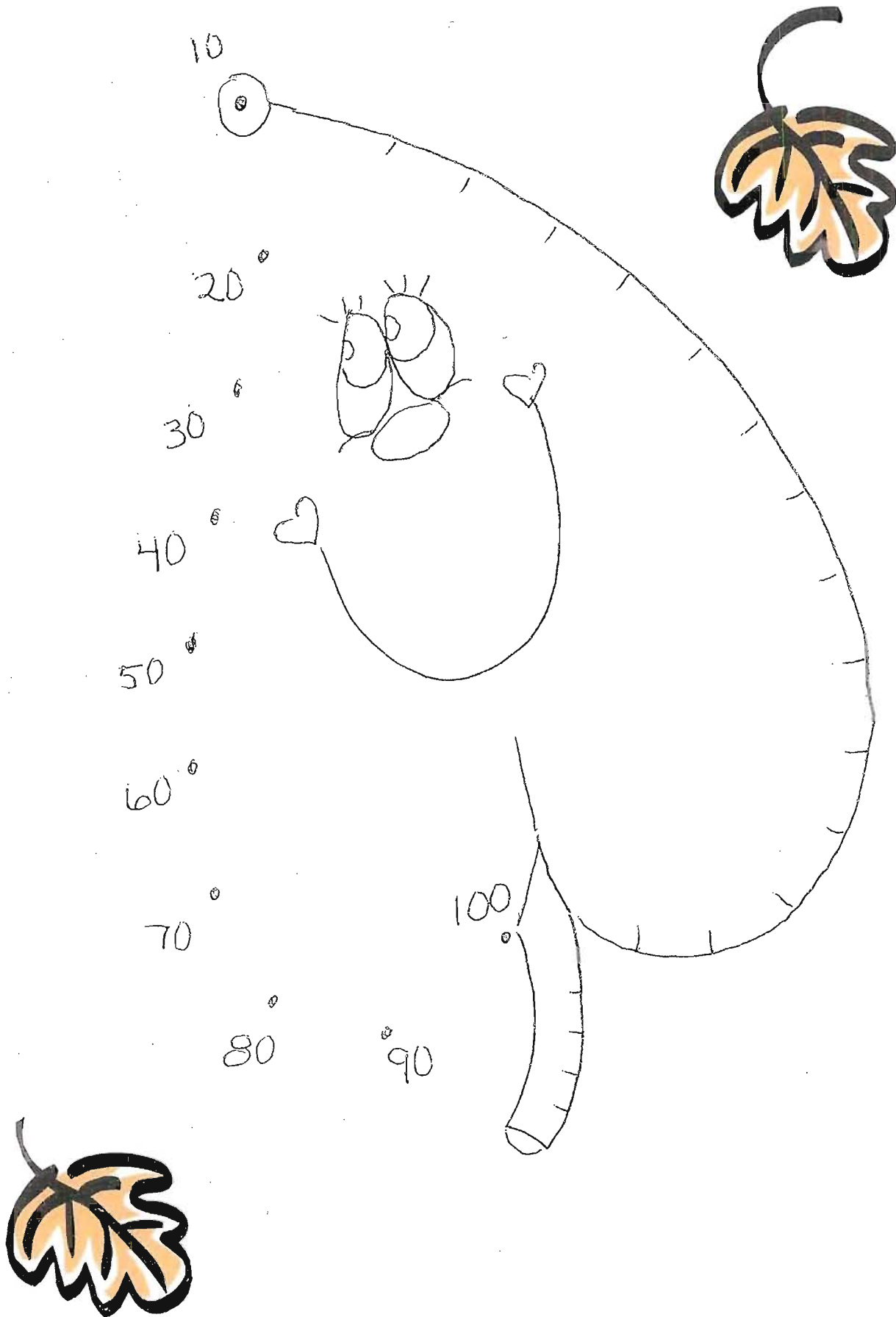
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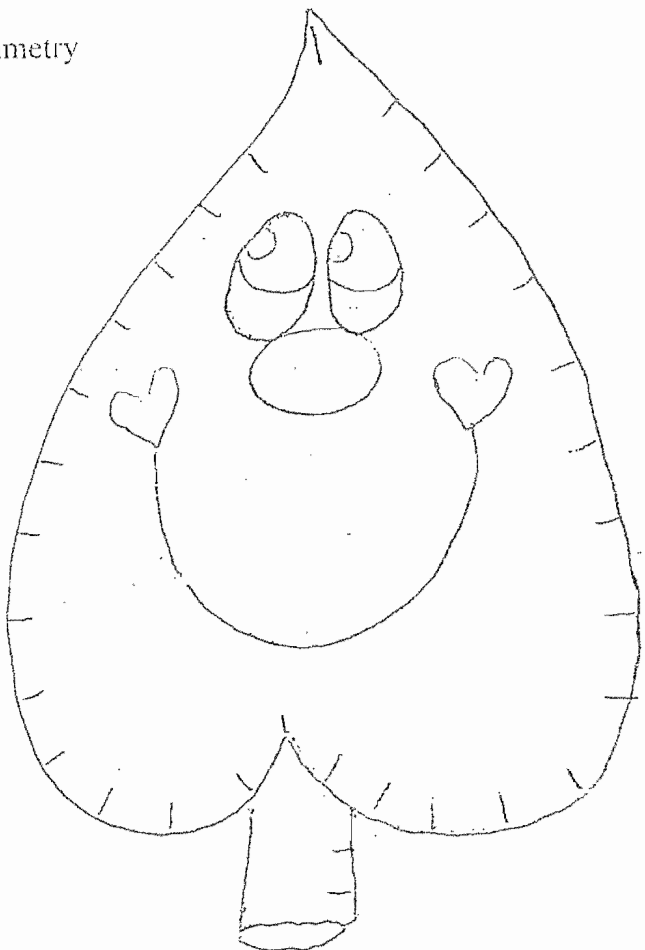
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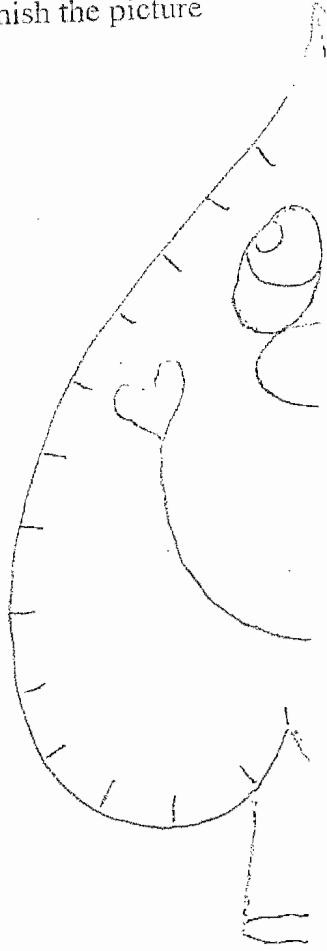
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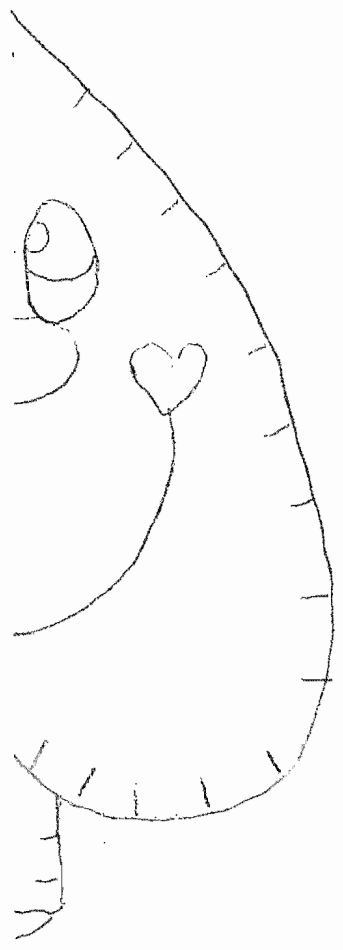
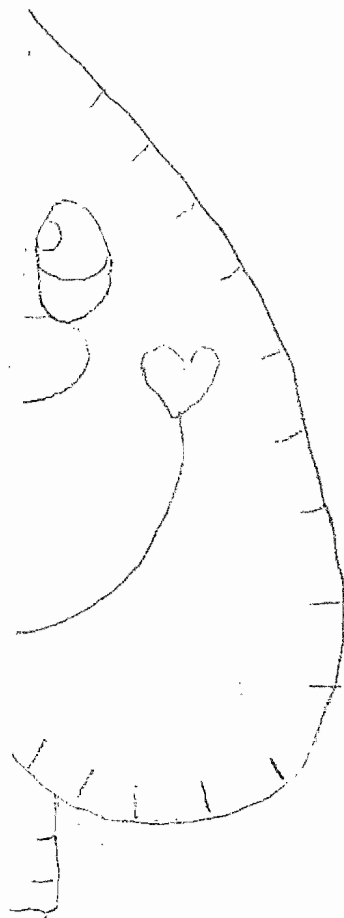
Symmetry



Finish the picture



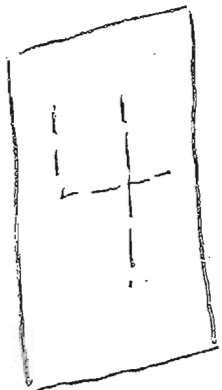
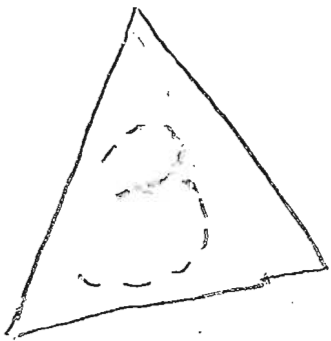
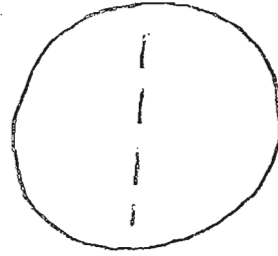
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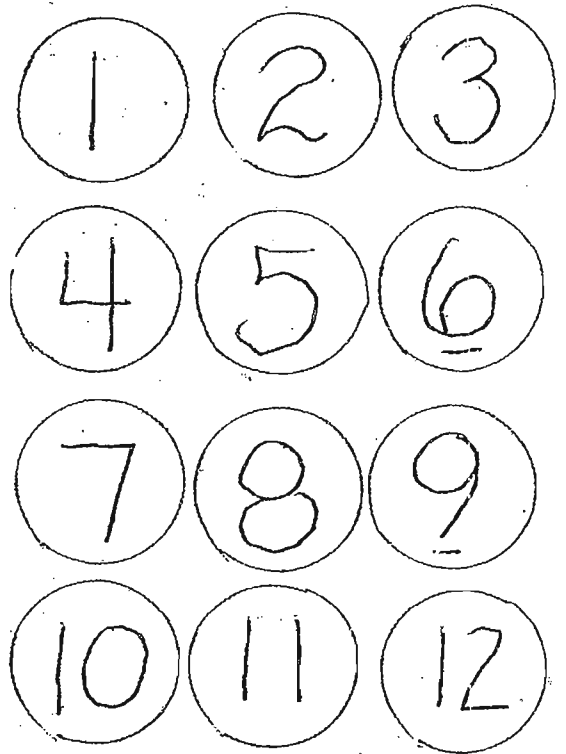
We're On A Roll Dice Game!

Directions:

- ❖ Pick a partner.
- ❖ Decide whether high or low will go 1st.
- ❖ Roll the dice.
- ❖ That person goes 1st.
- ❖ Whatever # you roll, TRACE the # then COLOR in that shape.
- ❖ Take turns rolling the dice with your partner.
- ❖ If you've already rolled that # it becomes your partner's turn.
- ❖ The 1st one to color in all or their shapes is the winner.



On An Addition & Subtraction Roll



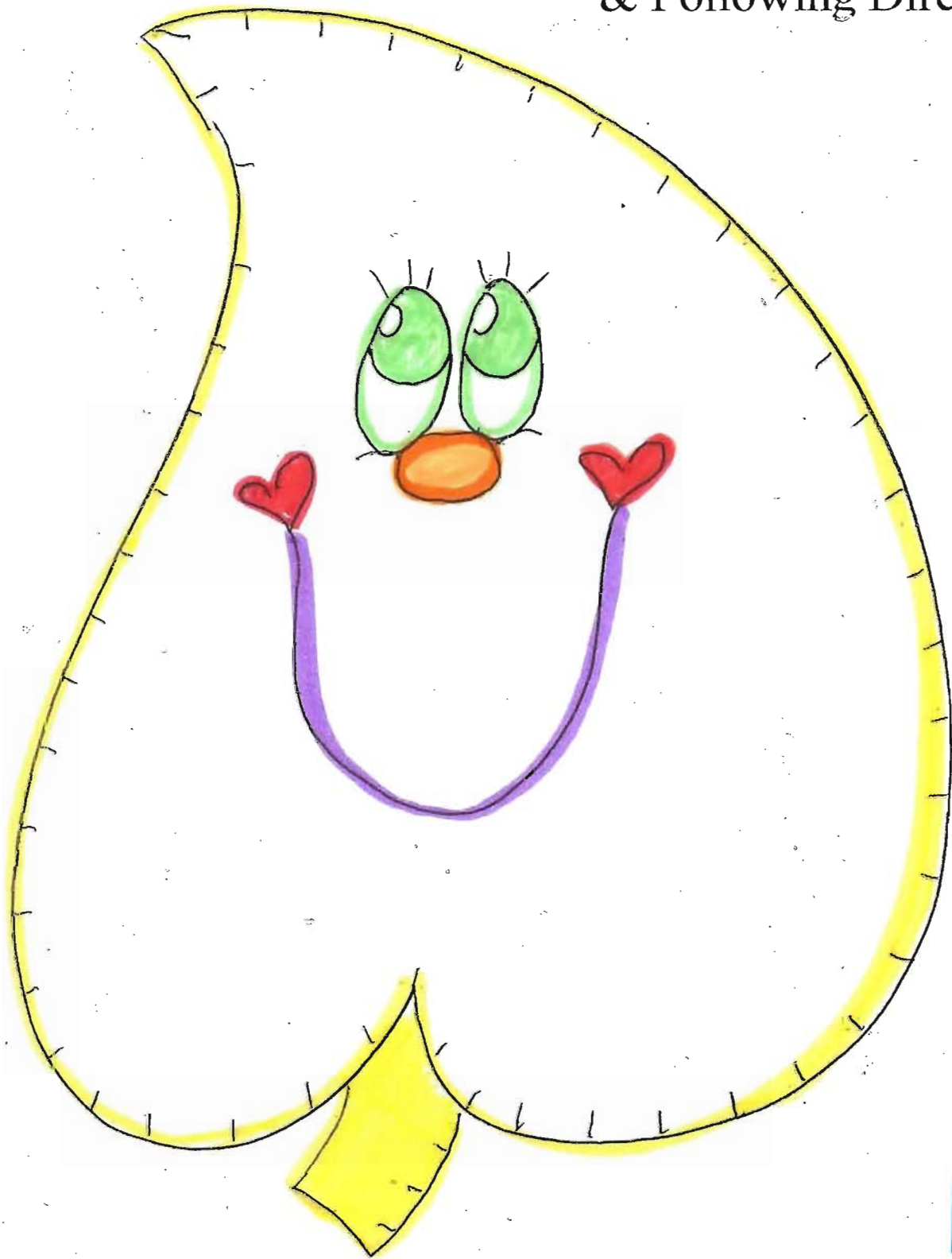
Directions:

- Choose a partner.
- Roll the dice.
- High number goes 1st
- Roll the dice.
- You may add or subtract the dice to get a number.
- Color in that numbered circle on your paper.
- Write the equation on the back of the paper.
- The 1st player to color in all of their numbers is the winner.

Name _____

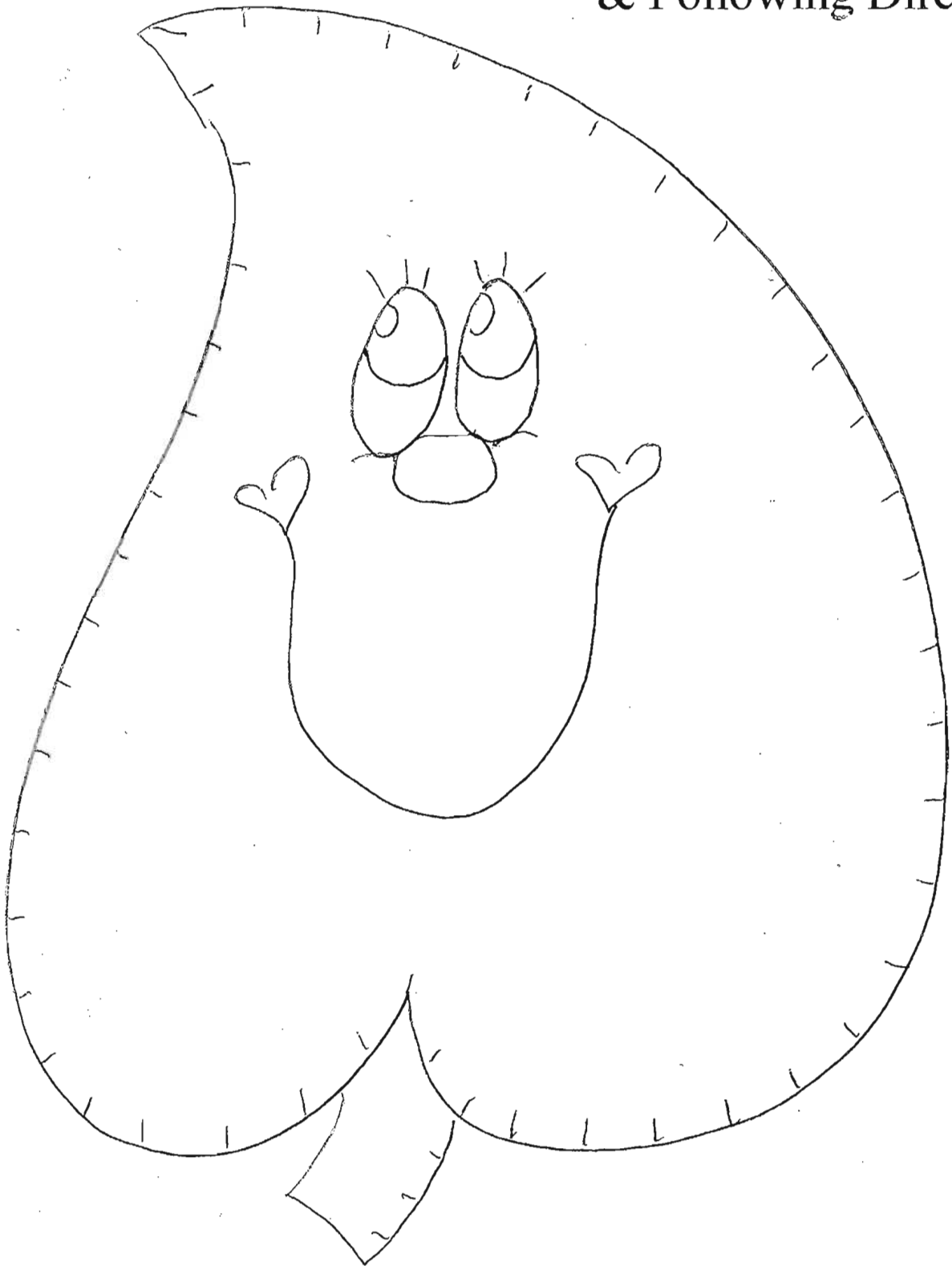


Leaf Listening & Following Directions





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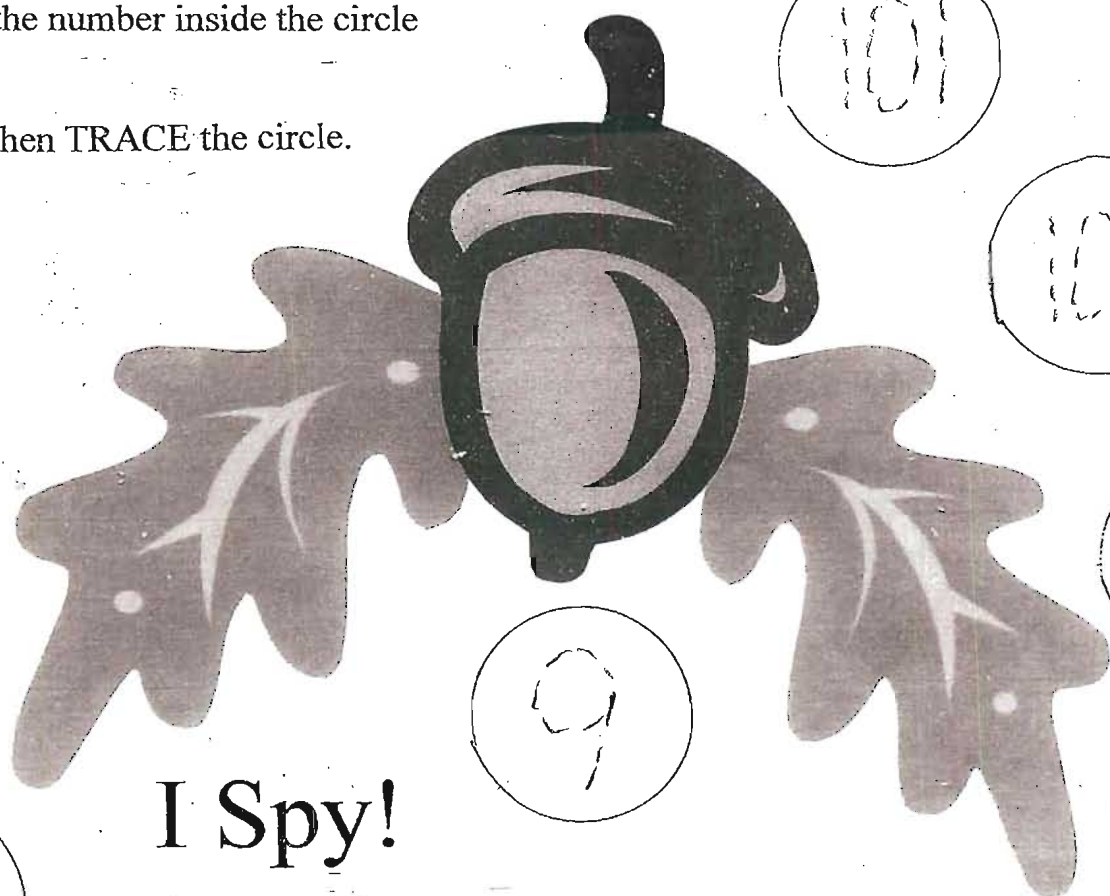
1. Write your name at the top of the paper in BROWN.
 2. COLOR the eyes of the leaf GREEN.
 3. TRACE around the leaf in YELLOW.
 4. COLOR the nose ORANGE.
 5. COLOR the heart cheeks RED.
 6. TRACE the smile PURPLE.
 7. COLOR the stem YELLOW.
 8. Write the number 1 in the bottom right hand corner.
 9. Tell your neighbor "I'm a fantastic fall friend!"
- Check your work & hand in your paper.

FALL

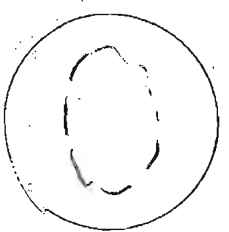
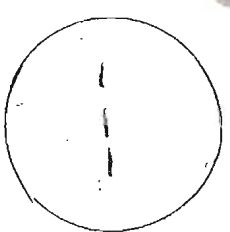
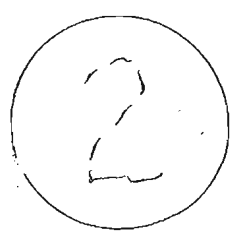
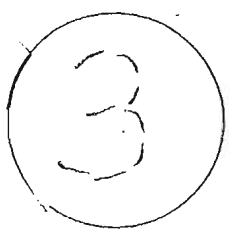
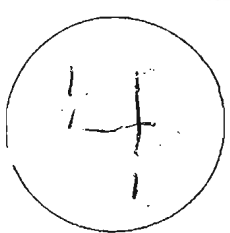
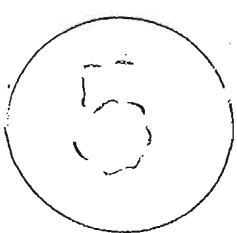
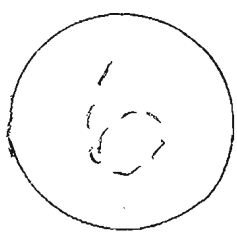
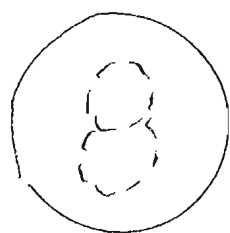
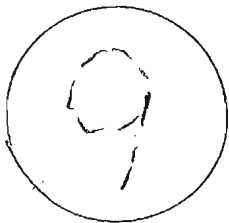
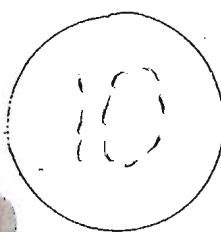
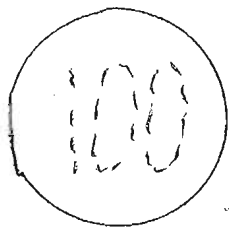
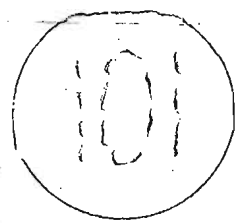
Families, PLEASE play "I Spy!" with your child and reinforce their number recognition.
Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

TRACE the number inside the circle

then TRACE the circle.



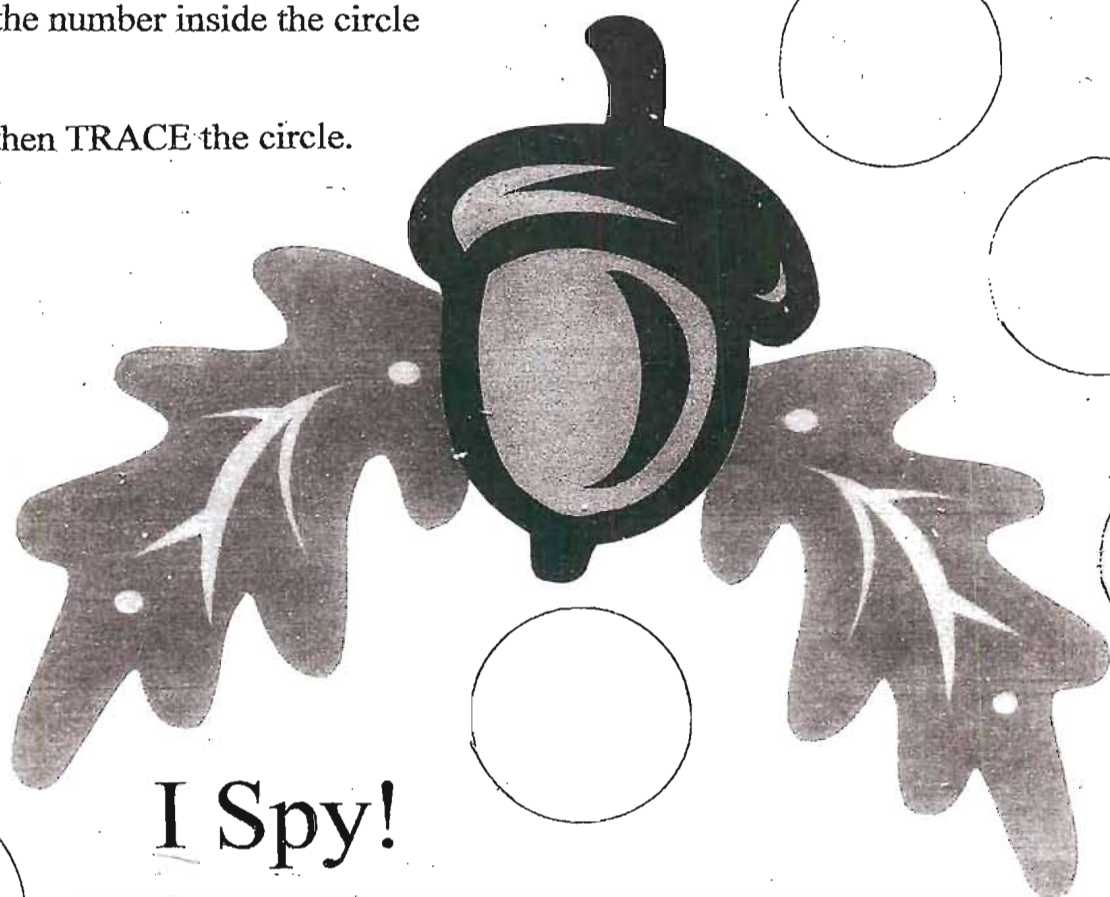
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I Spy!



Put an X on the leaves in a row to match the number next to it.

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Put a BROWN X on the correct number of leaves
to MATCH the number next to it.

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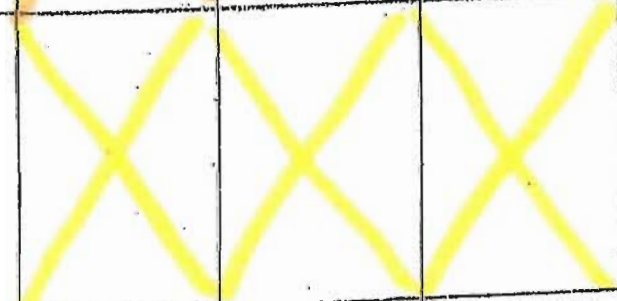
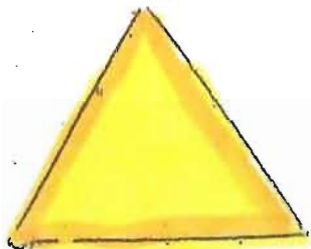
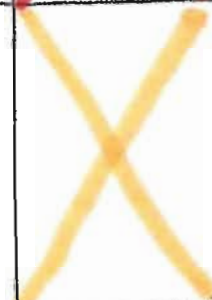
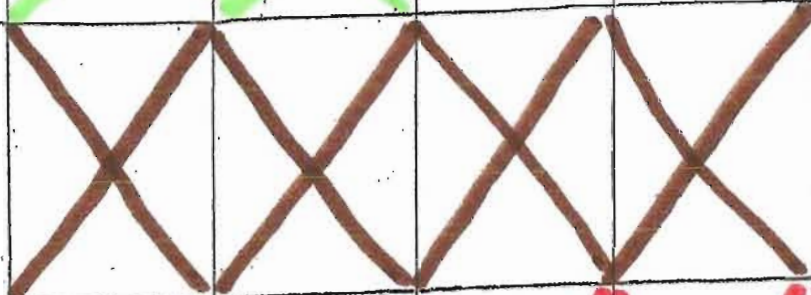
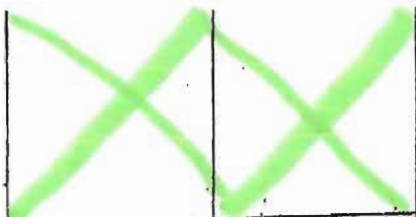


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Leaf Shape Graphing



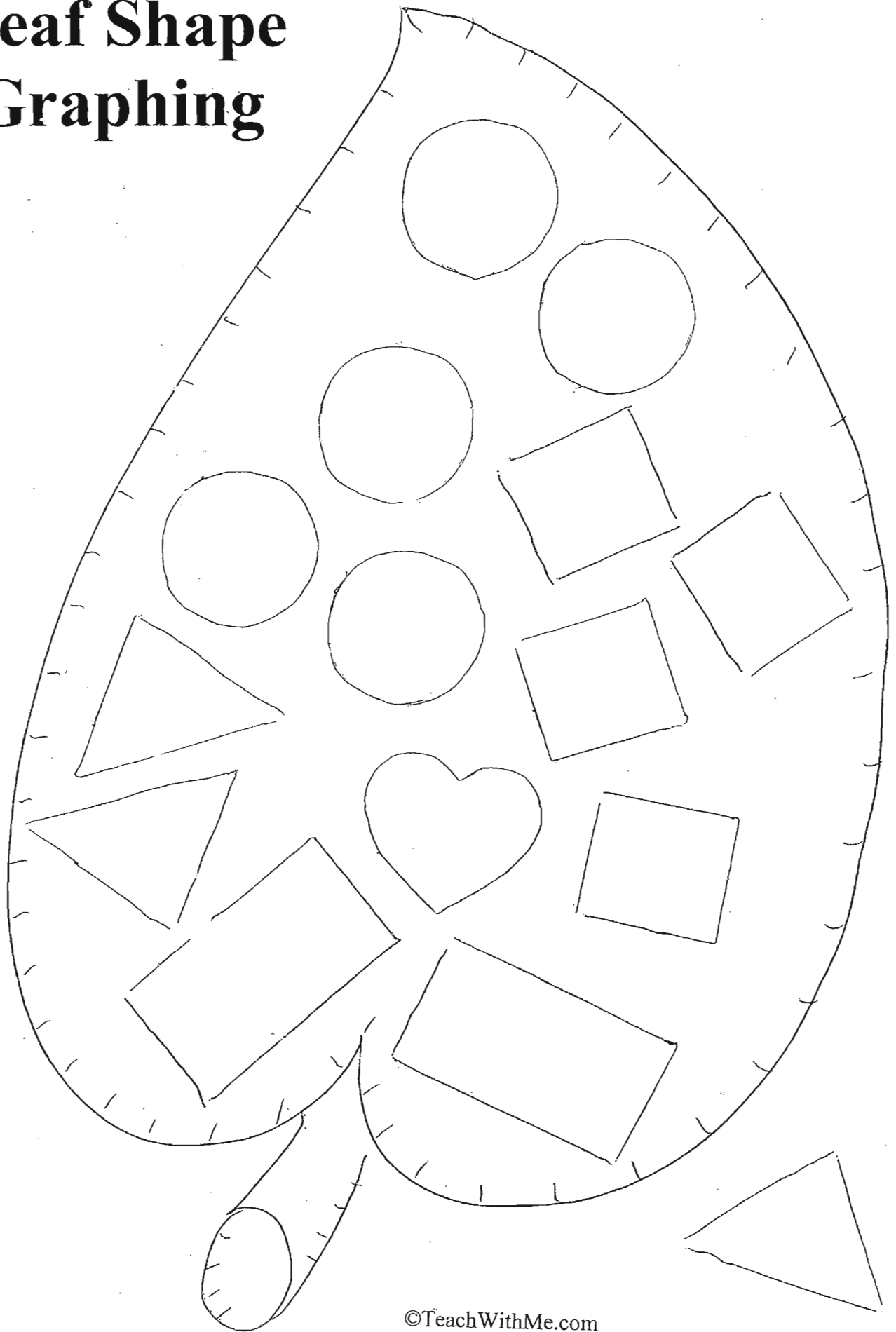


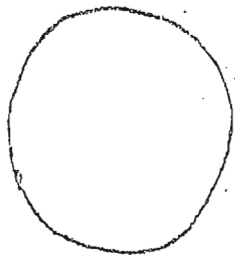
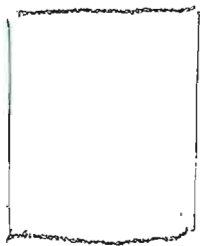
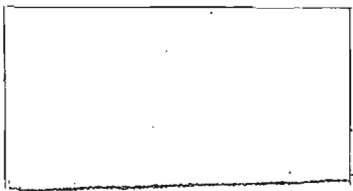
GRAPHING

Leaf

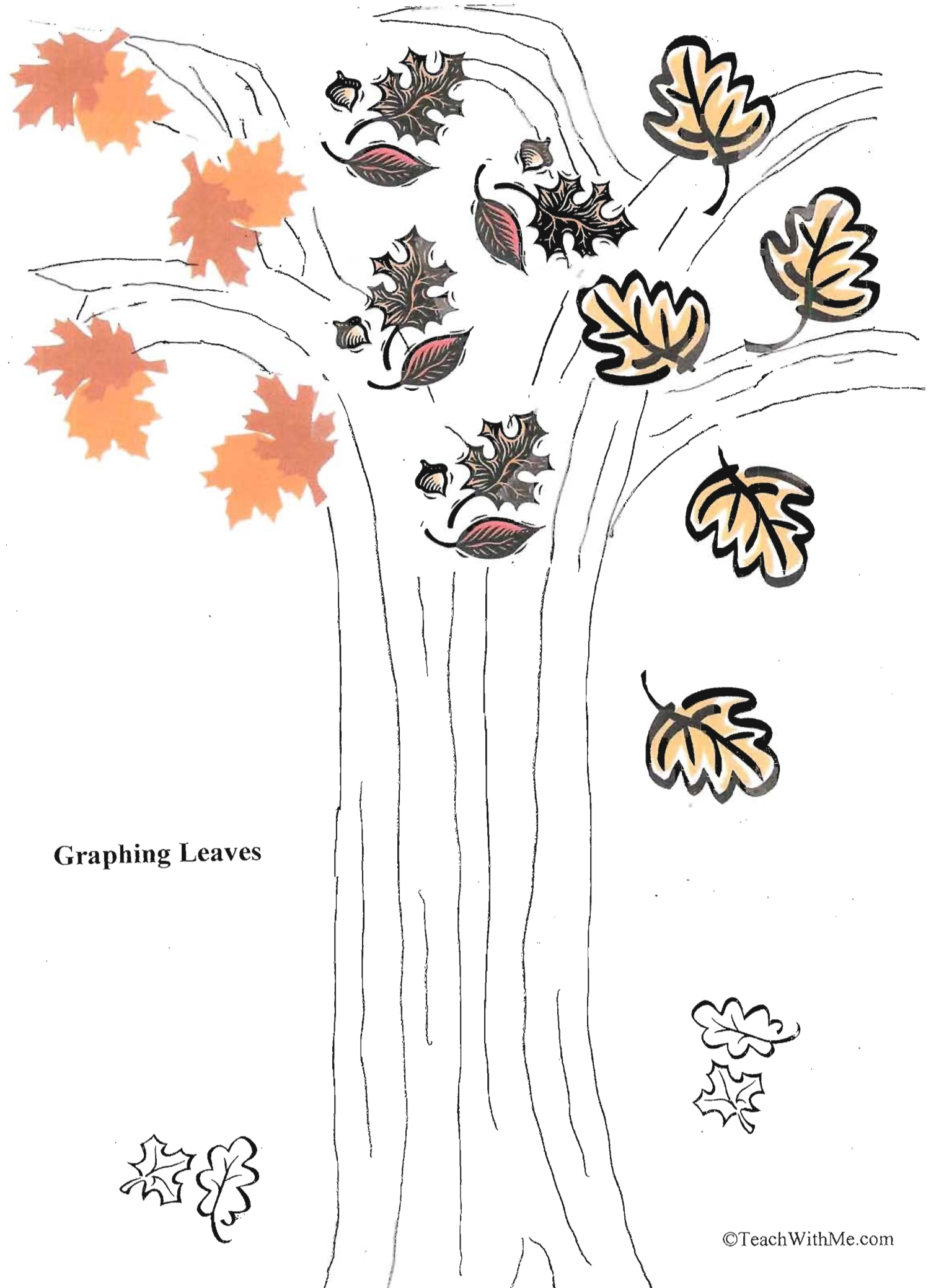
Color the shapes to match the colors on the picture. Count the shapes; mark that many X's in the box. Make the X's the same color as the shapes. Graph the picture.

Leaf Shape Graphing









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Graphing Leaves

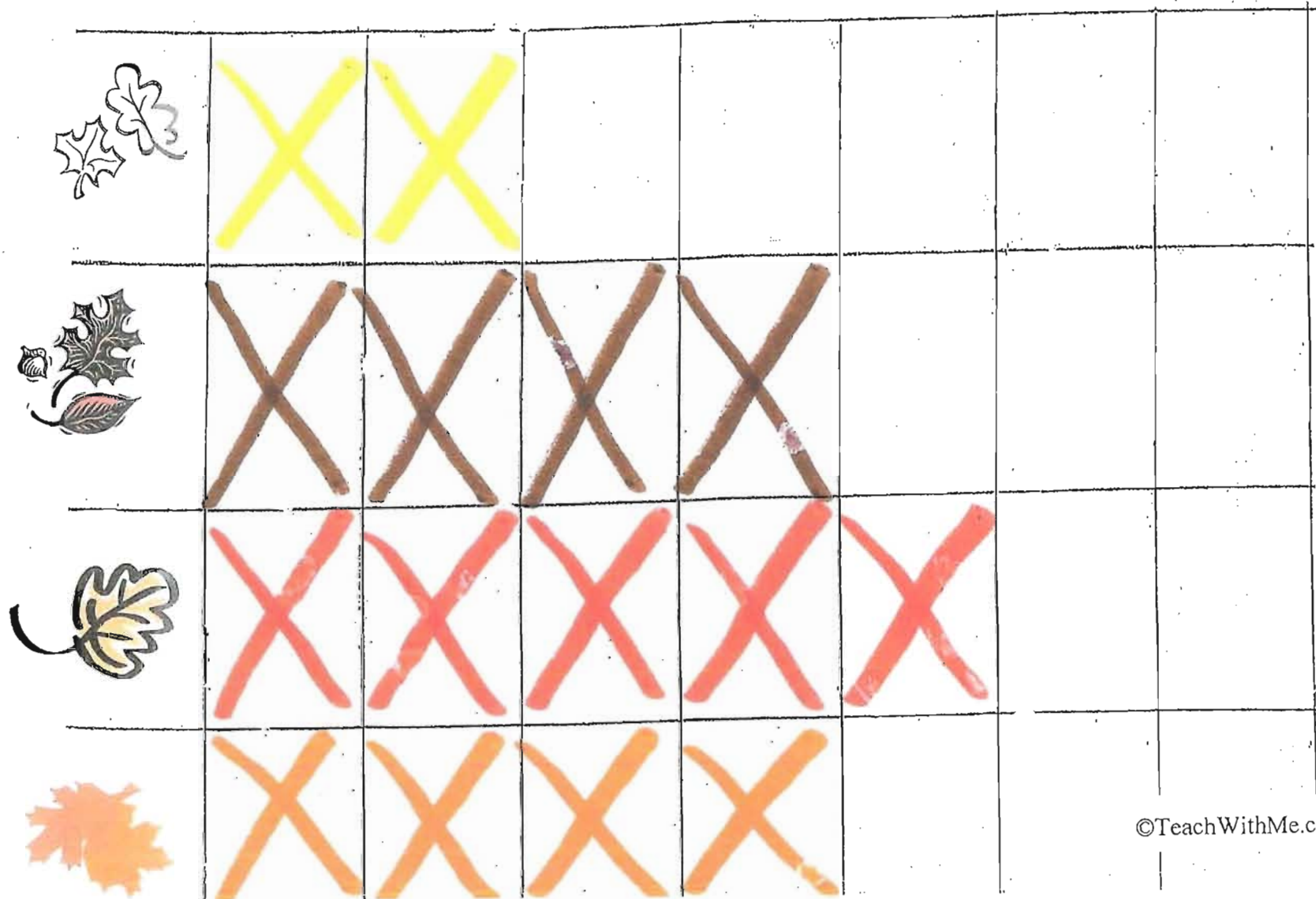
Leaf Graphing

Count the different kinds of leaves on the other page.
Mark that many X's next to that leaf to show how many there are.
Use a DIFFERENT color for each KIND of leaf.

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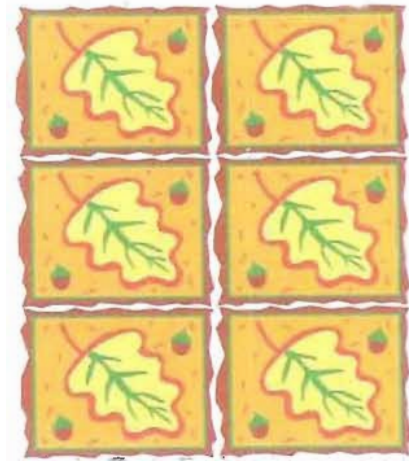
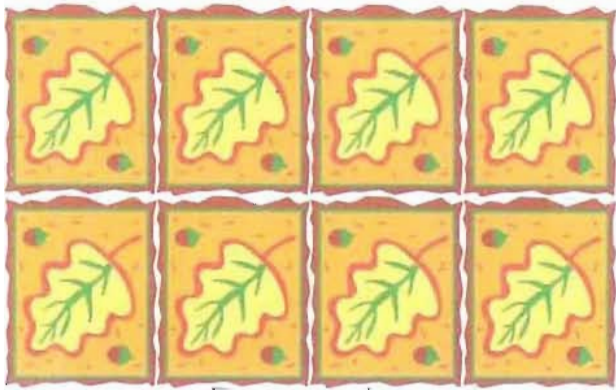




What is your favorite autumn-colored leaf?

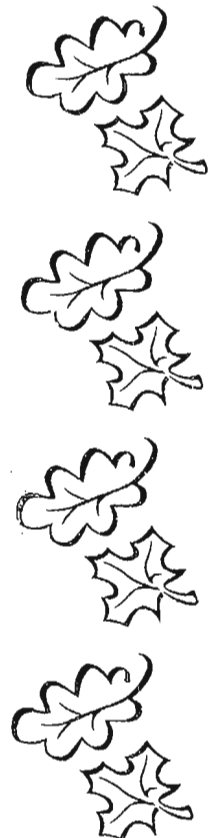
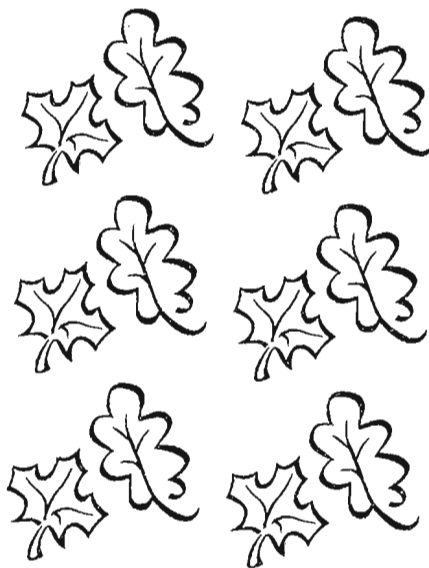
MORE THAN & LESS THAN

CIRCLE the group/set that has MORE leaves.
This group is greater than the other group.



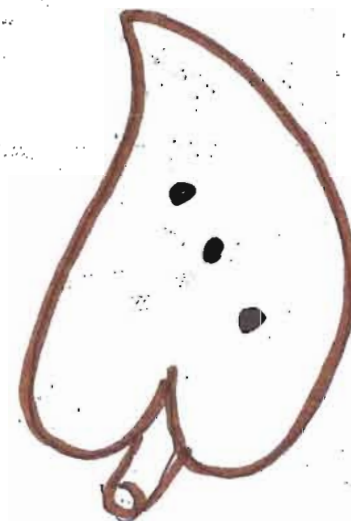
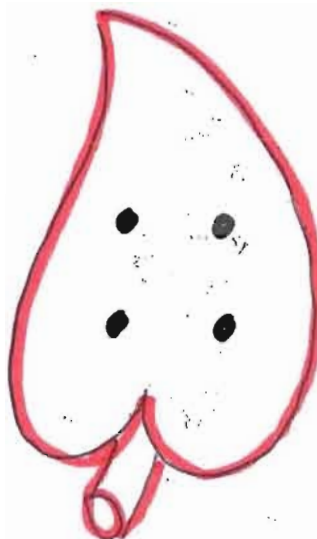
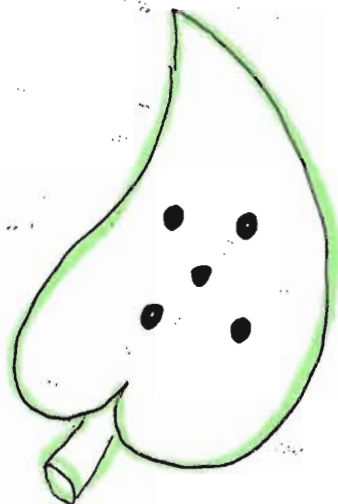
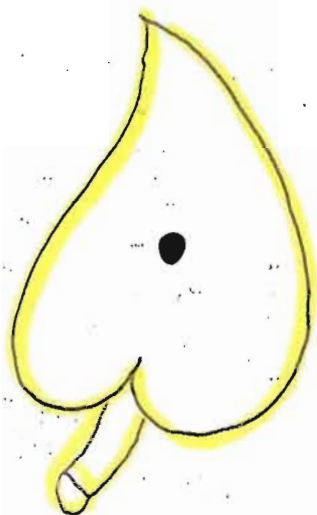
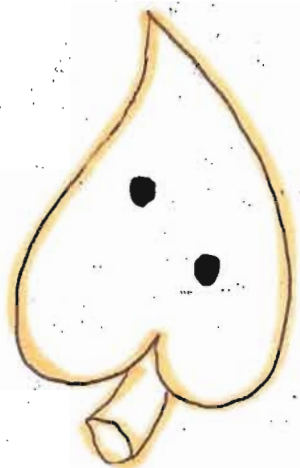
$$8 > 6$$

CIRCLE the group/set that has LESS leaves. This group is less than the other group.



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$$4 < 6$$



Match the dotted box to the matching #'d box. Cut it out and glue it to the bottom of it.

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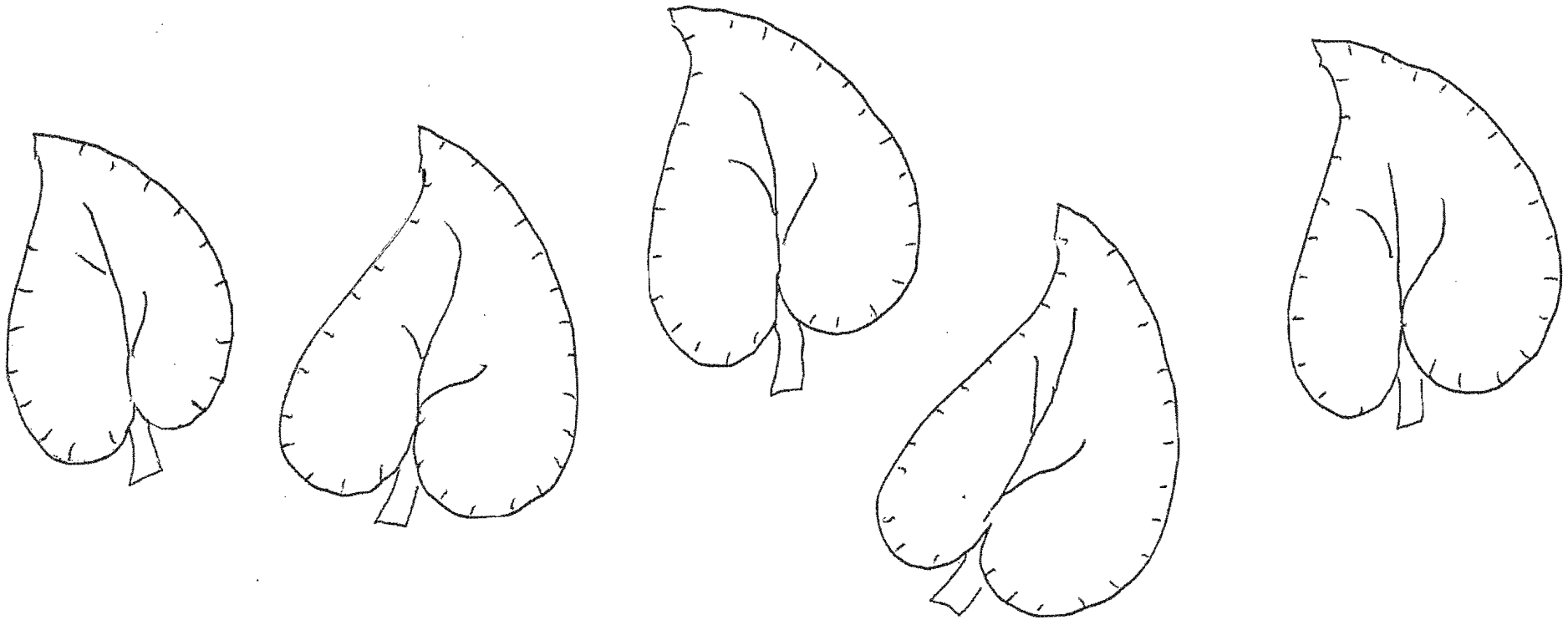
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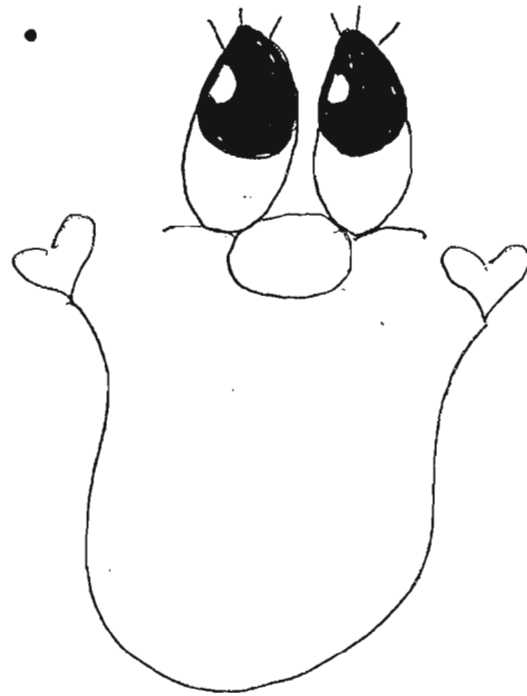
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Ordinal Numbers

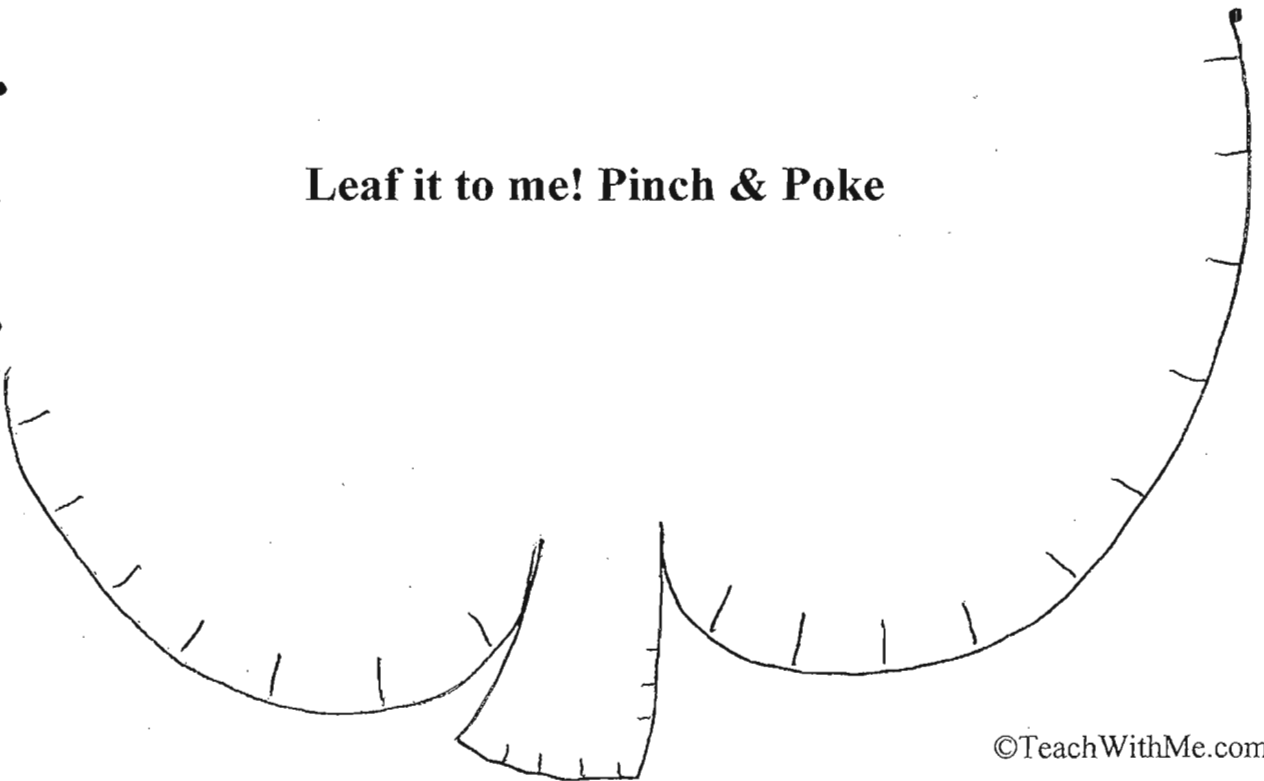
Directions:

- ❖ Color the first leaf red.
- ❖ Color the third leaf orange.
- ❖ Color the second leaf brown.
- ❖ Color the fifth leaf yellow.
- ❖ Color the fourth leaf green.



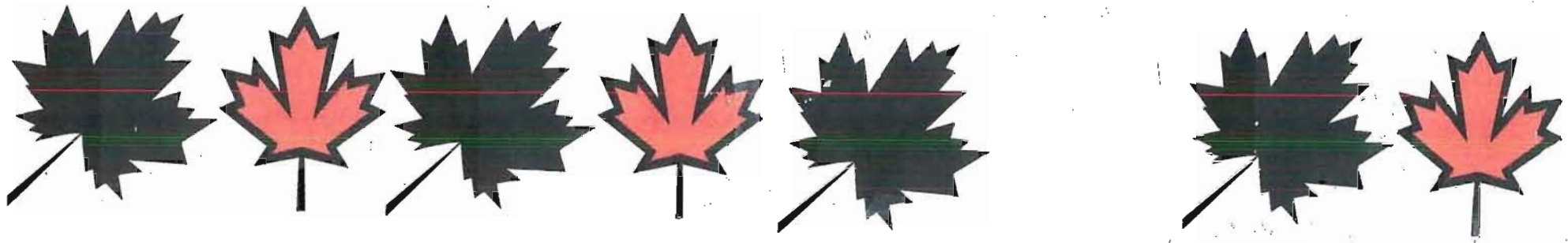


Leaf it to me! Pinch & Poke

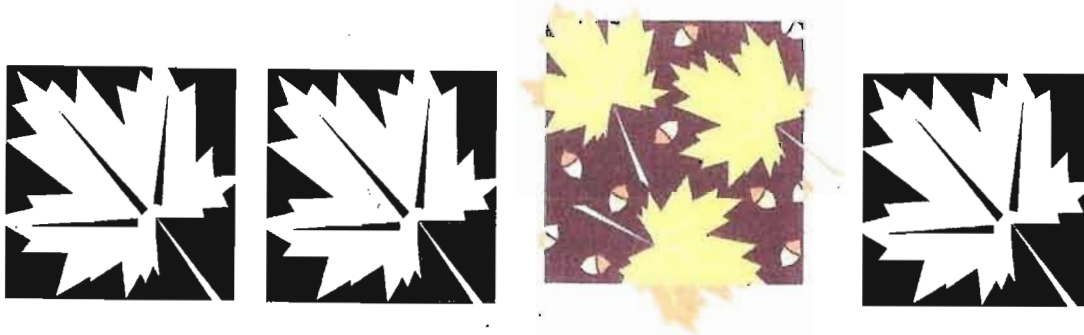




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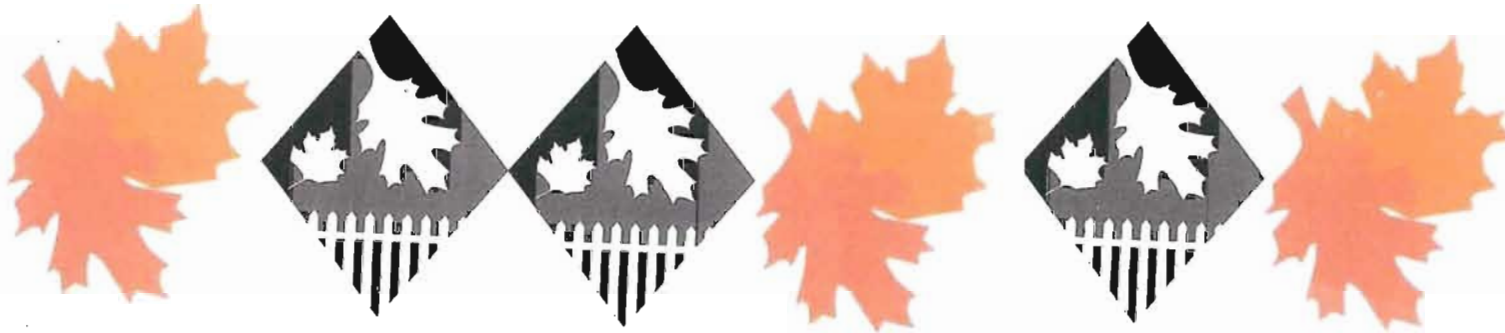
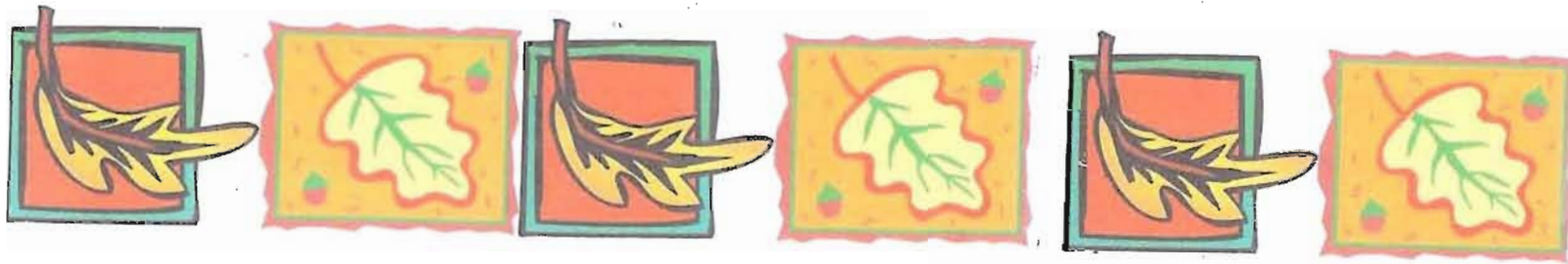


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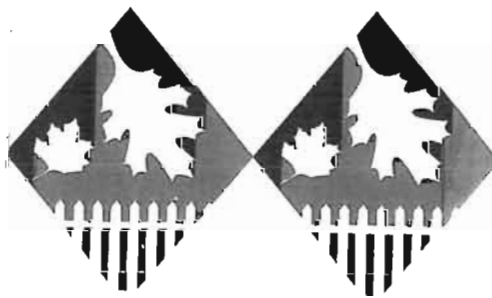


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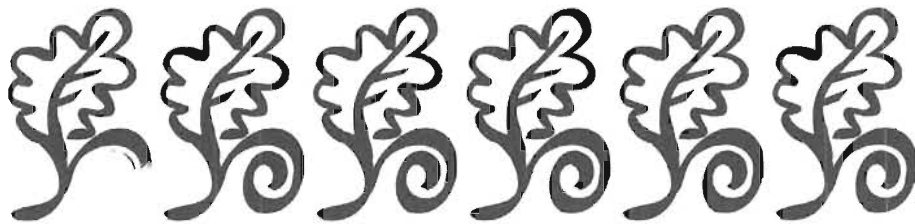


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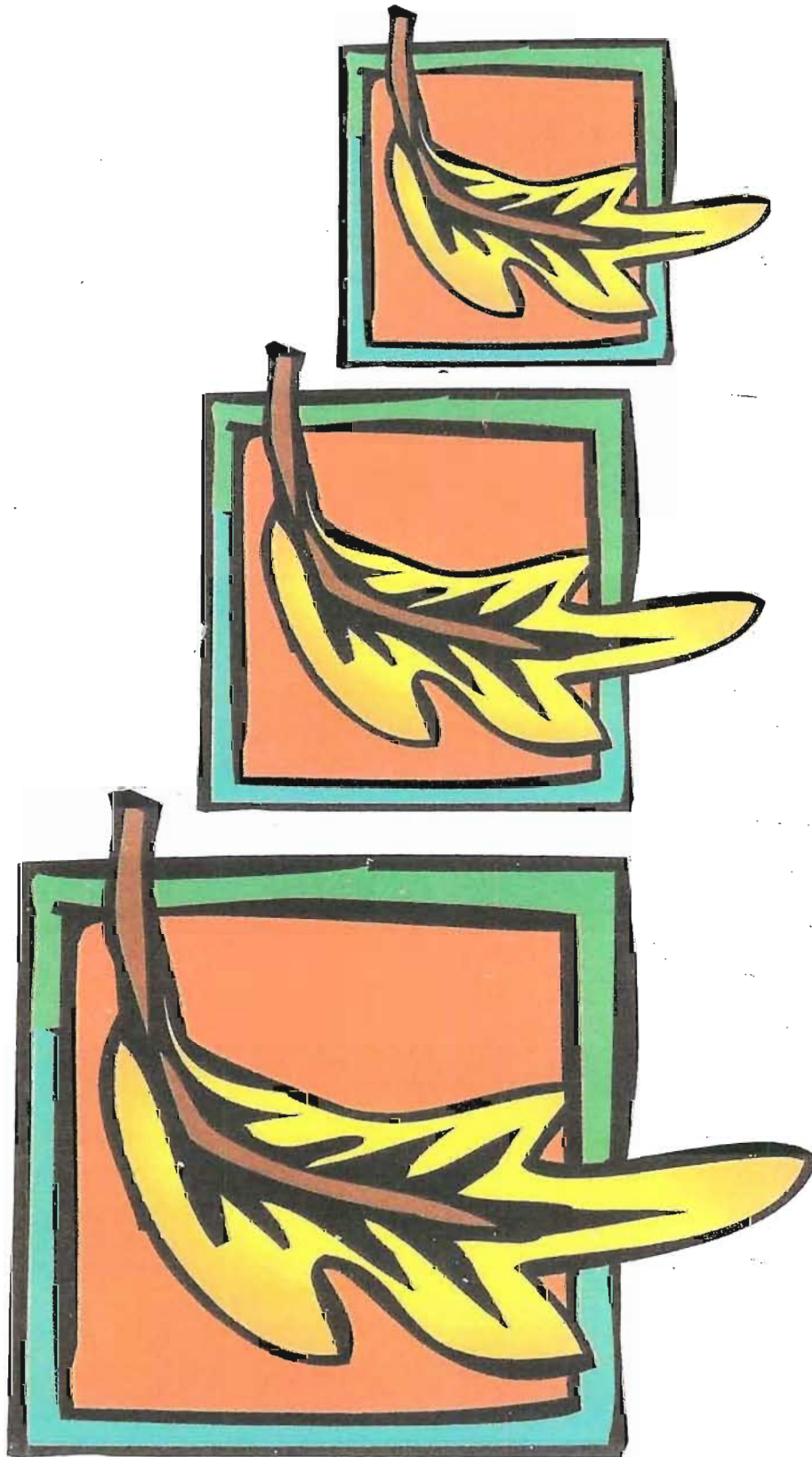


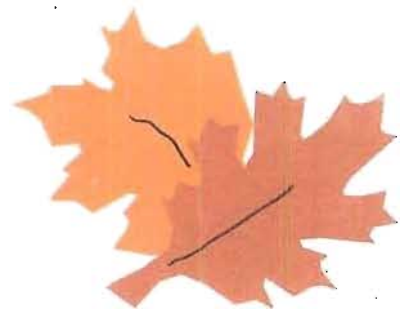
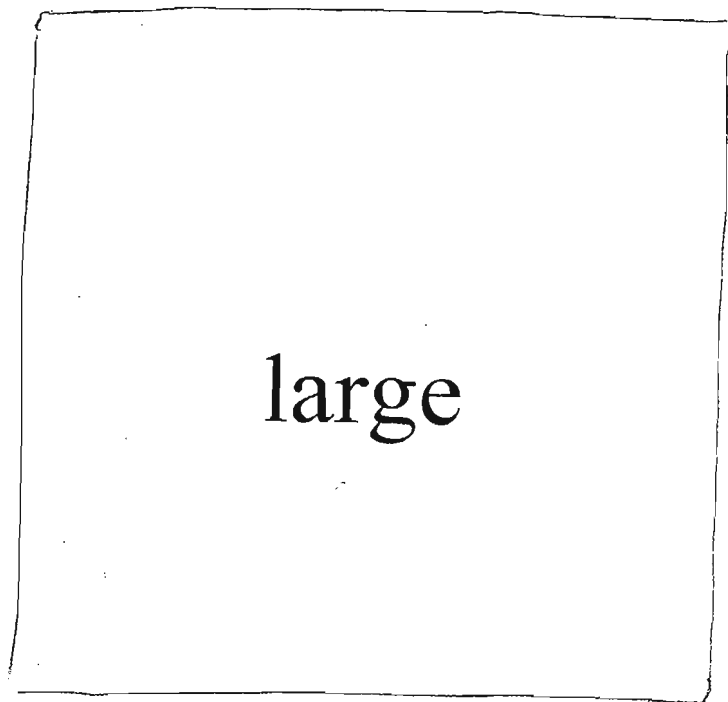
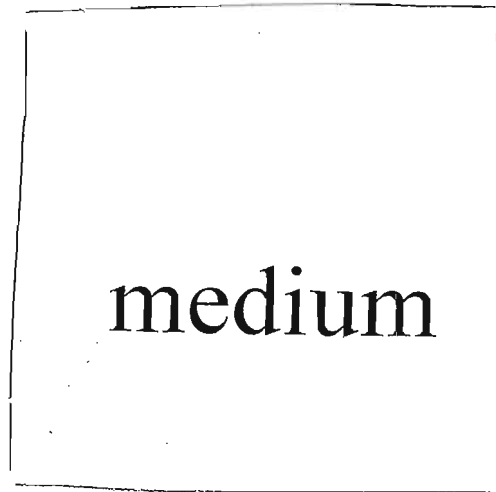
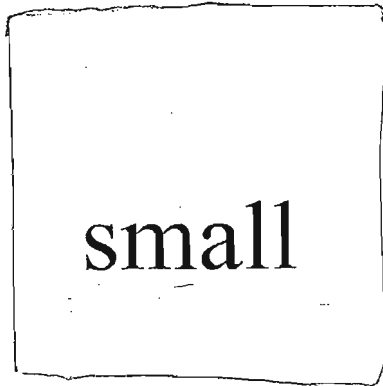
Leaf Similarities & Differences

There is a spy, one that is different in each row. Zap it with an X.



Leaf Sort





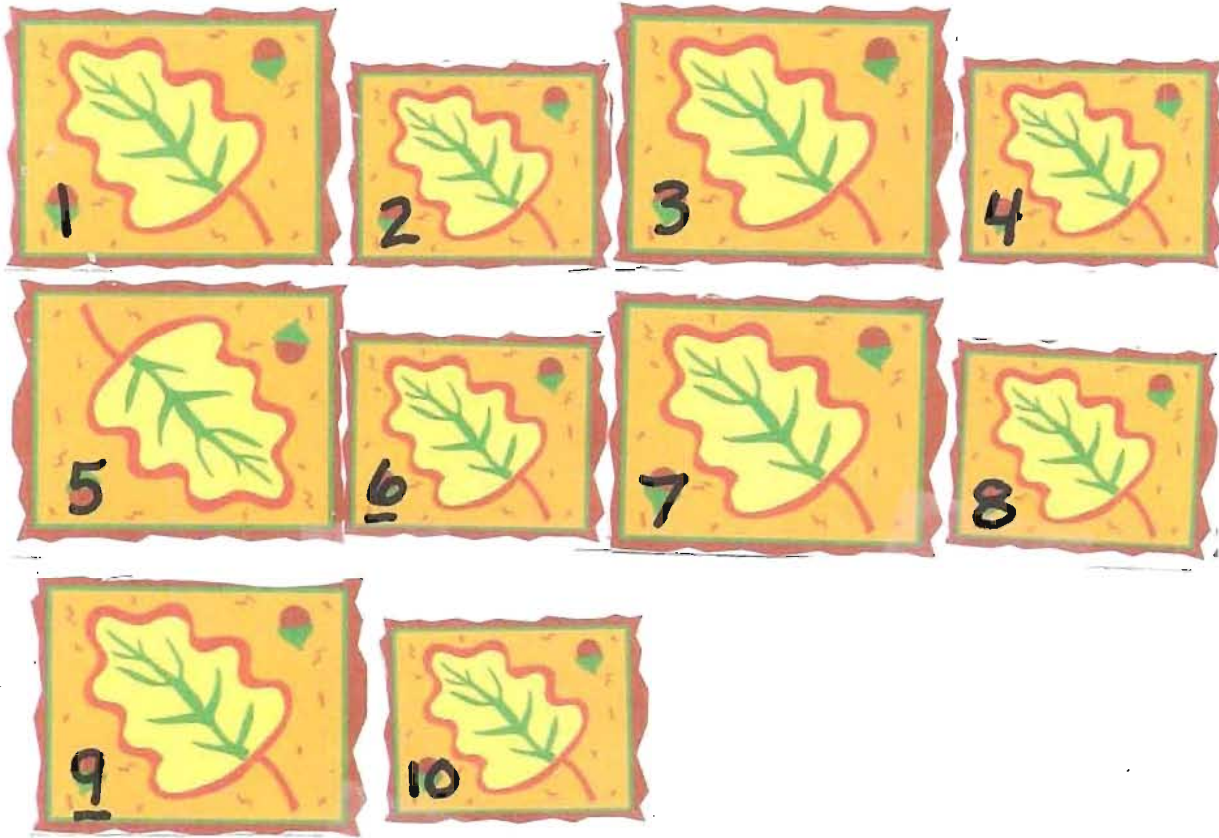
Leaves come in all shapes and sizes.
Cut, sort and glue these small, medium
and large leaves to their correct boxes.

Sorting

Here are some things you can do with these leaves.

Your teacher will tell you what she wants you to do with your leaves.

- ❖ CUT out the leaves below and sort them into **small** and **large** piles.
- ❖ Sequence the numbers. Put them in order from 1-10
- ❖ Put all the **EVEN** numbers in one pile.
- ❖ Put all the **ODD** numbers in another pile.
- ❖ GLUE your leaves in a group of how your teacher wants you to glue them.



Sorting Sheet:

Small

Large

Sorting Sheet:

Odd

Even

Sorting Sheet:

Objects Sequenced In Order

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Tally Ho!

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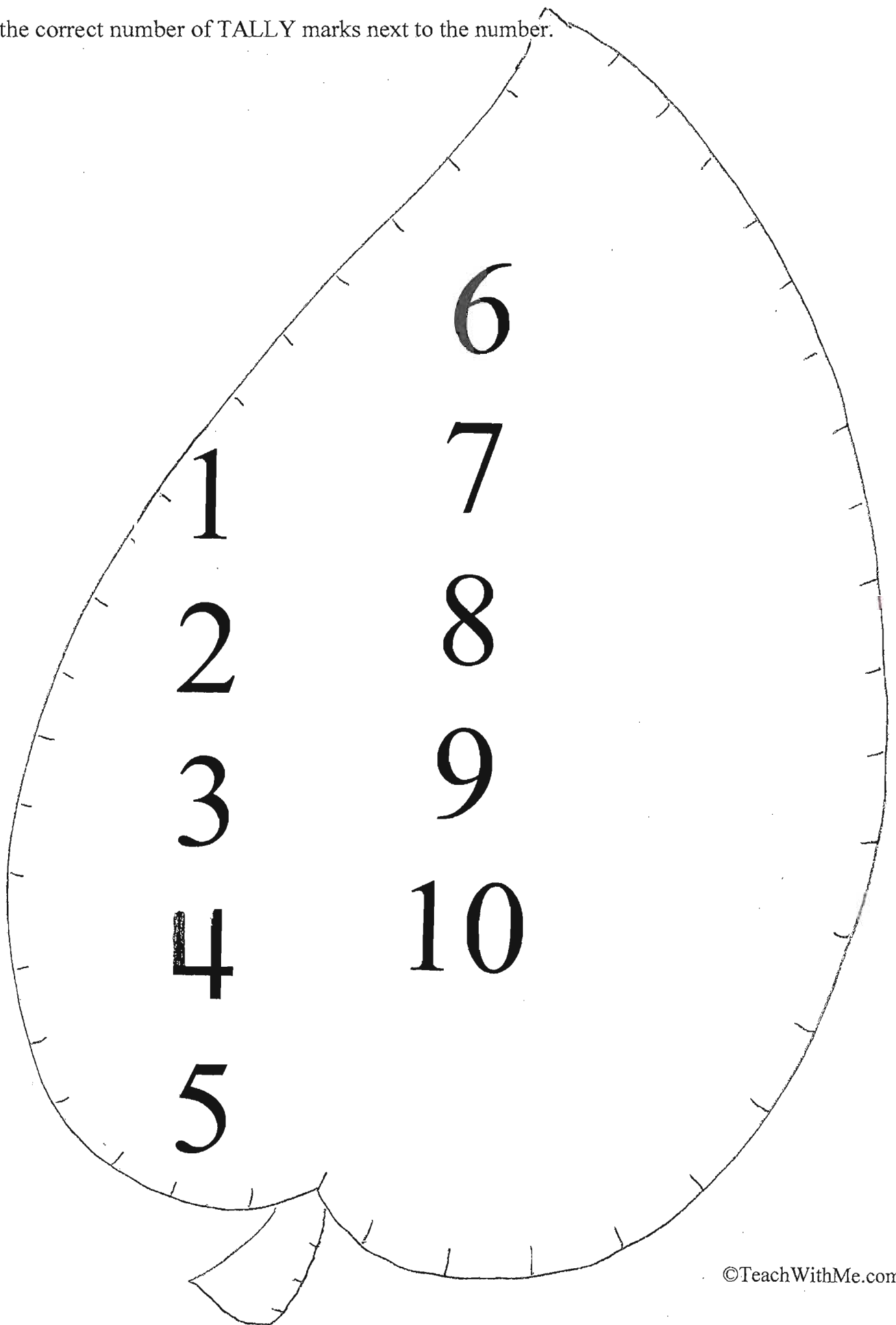
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Put the correct number of tally marks next to the number.

Put the correct number of TALLY marks next to the number.



Tally Ho!

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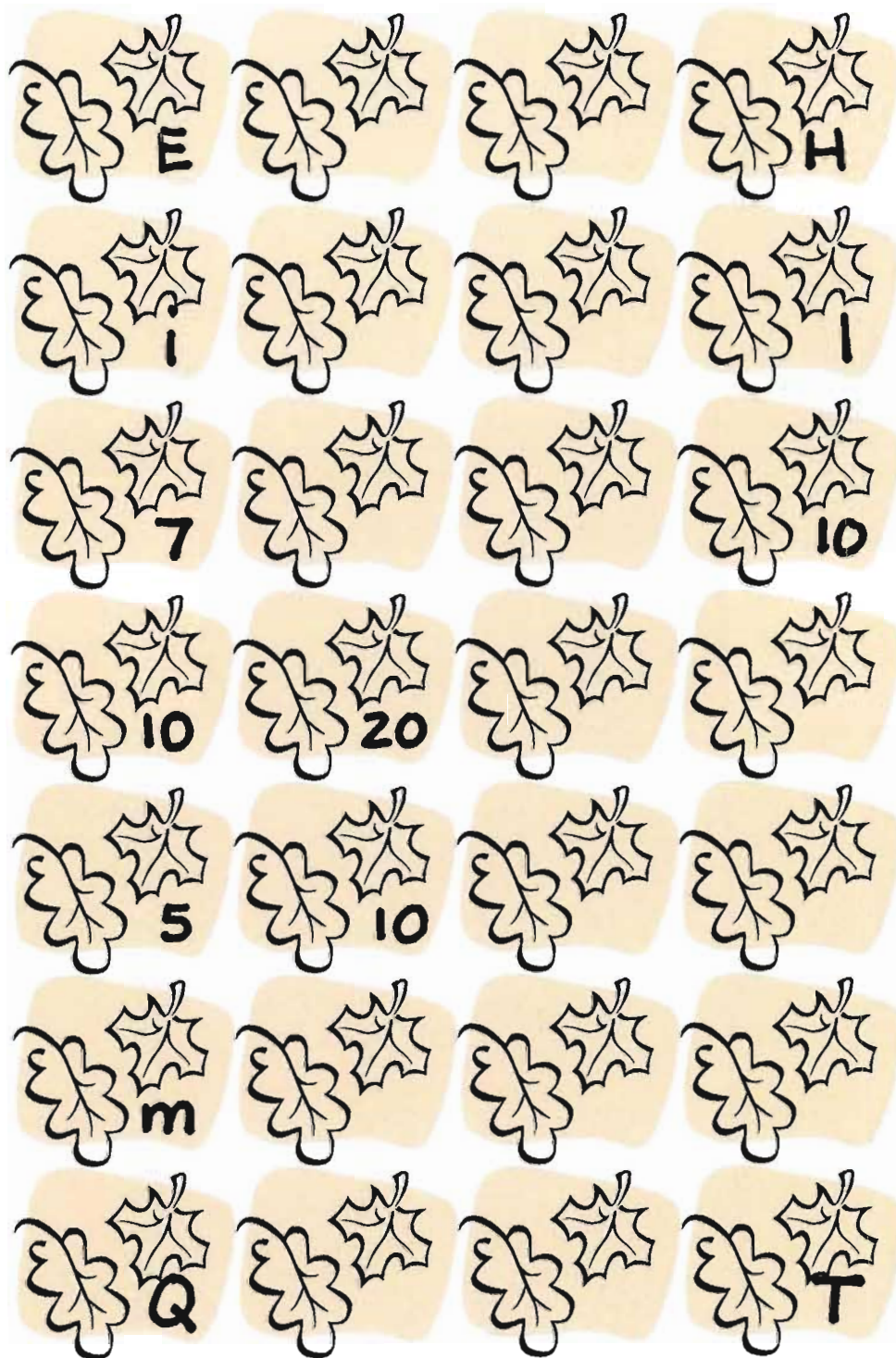
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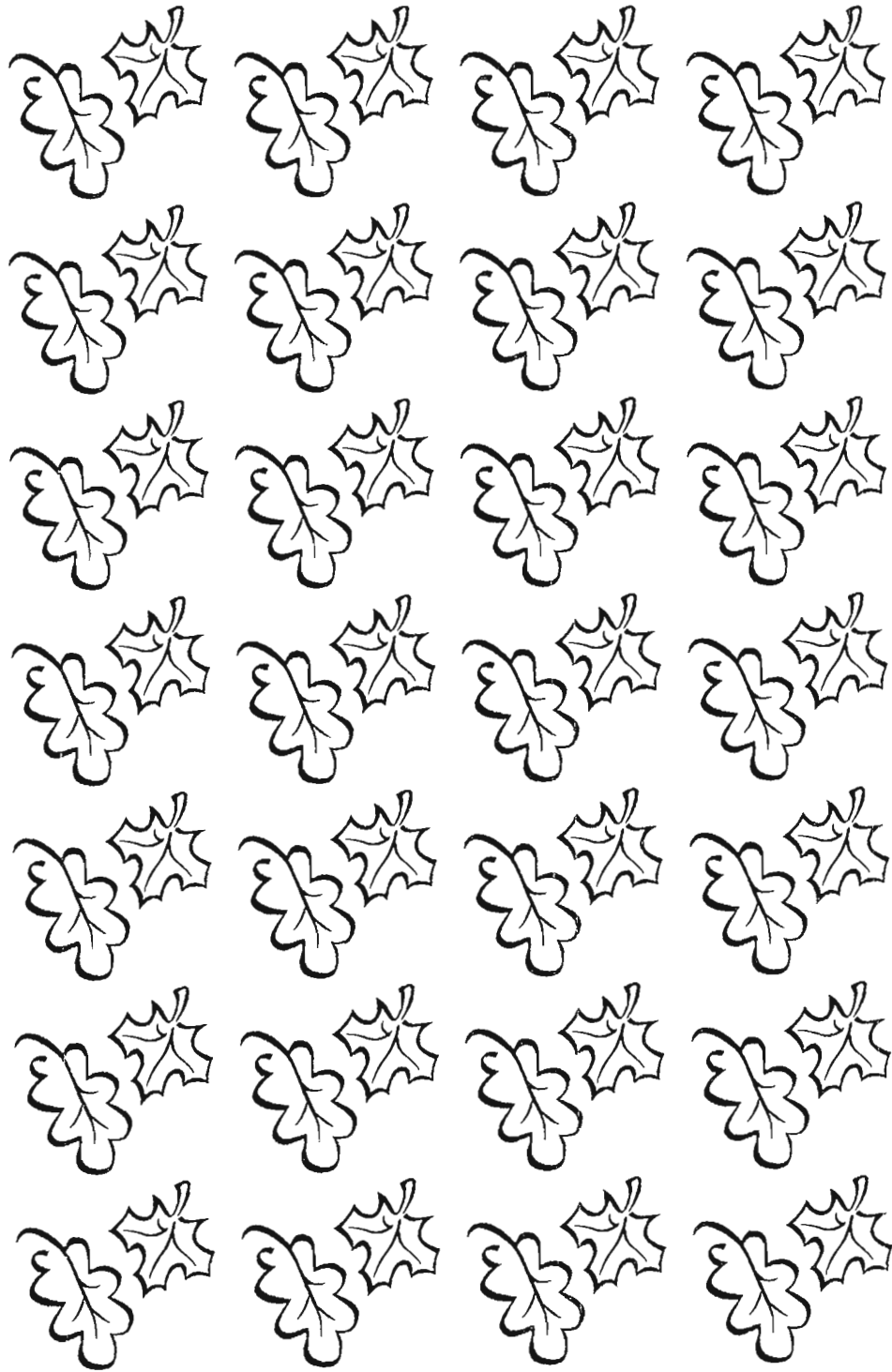


Stamp a group/set of _____.

What's Missing? Fill in the missing link.



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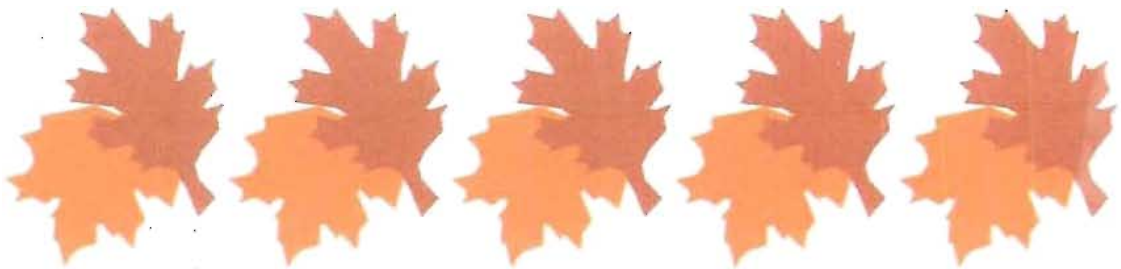


COUNTING:

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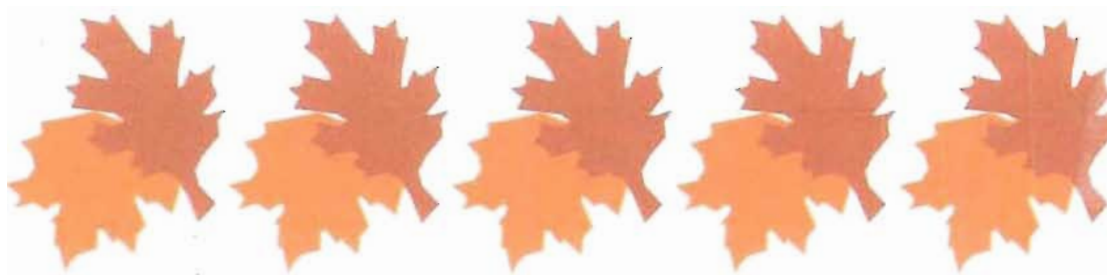
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COUNTING:

Fill in the missing numbers.



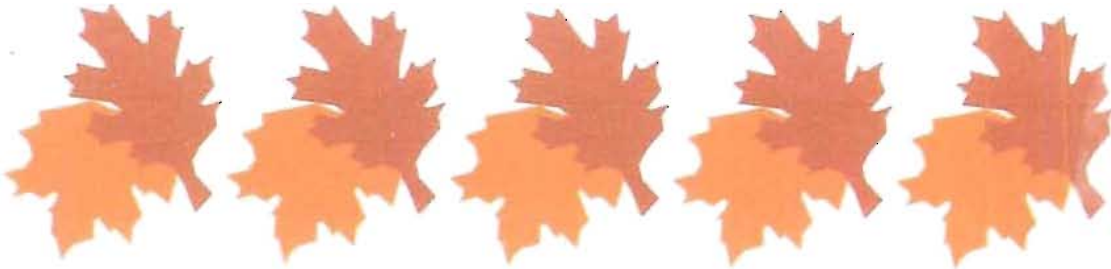


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Fill in the missing letters.



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			I	
		M		
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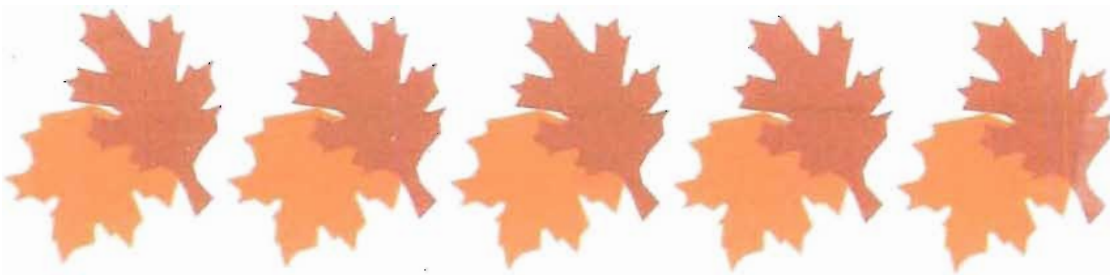
Z

Uppercase

ALPHABET

Fill in the missing letters.





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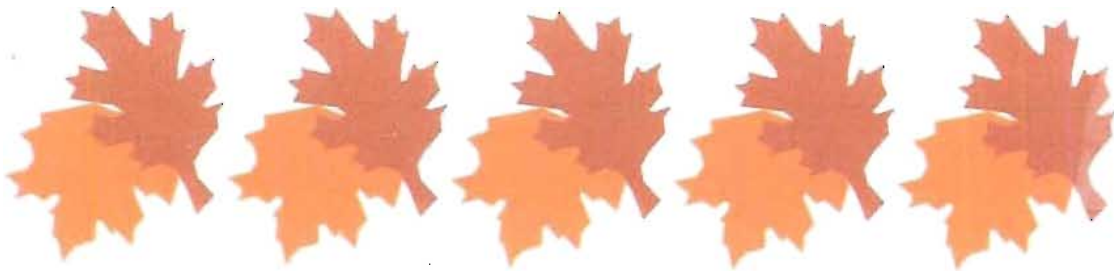
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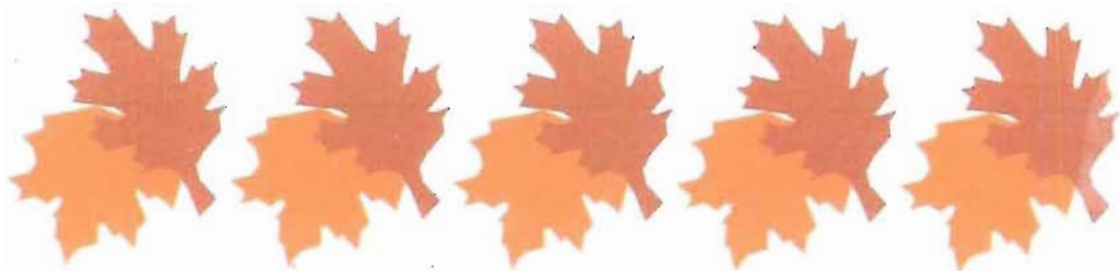
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Lowercase

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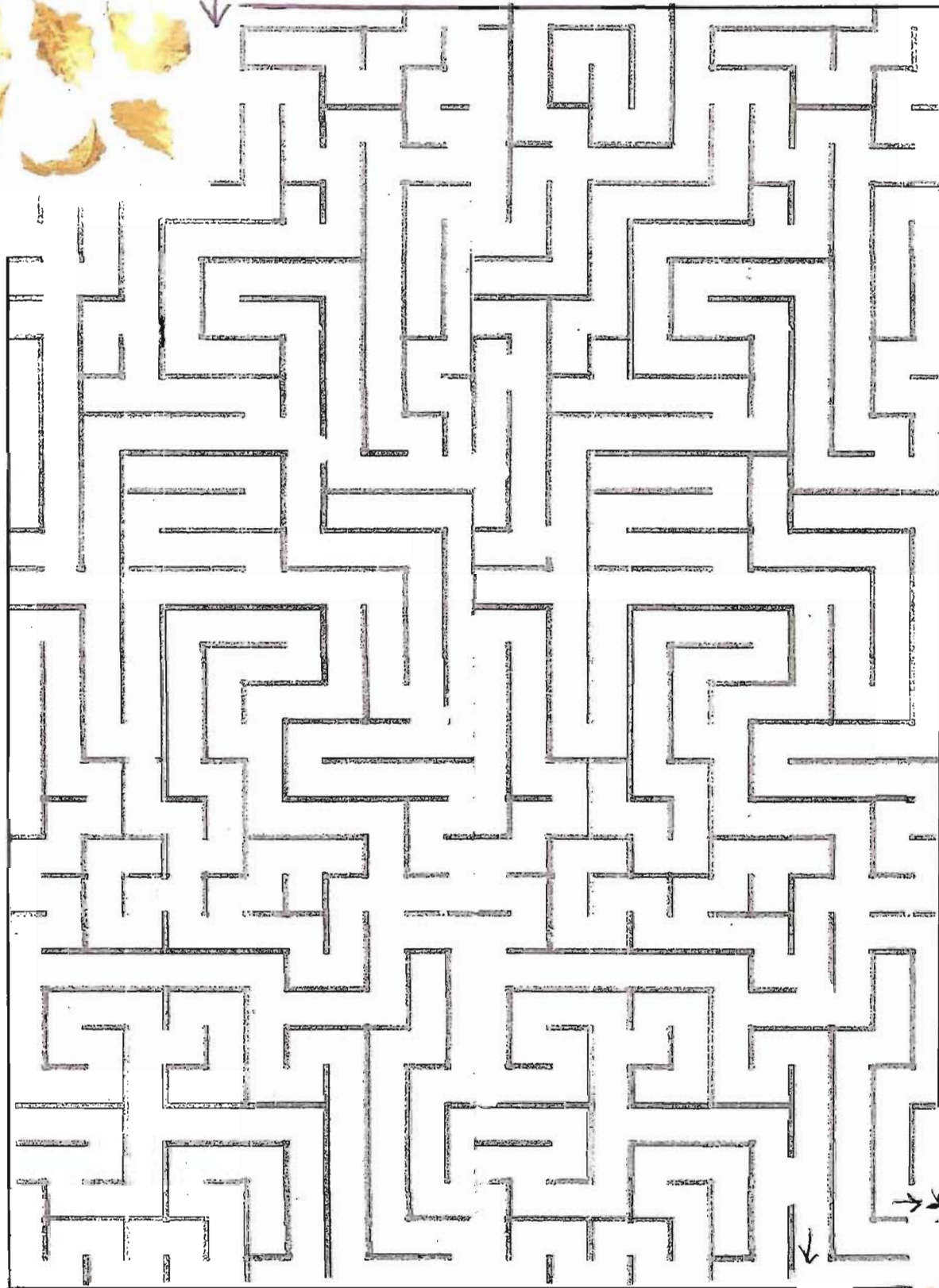
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Maze Craze

Get the leaves to the tree.

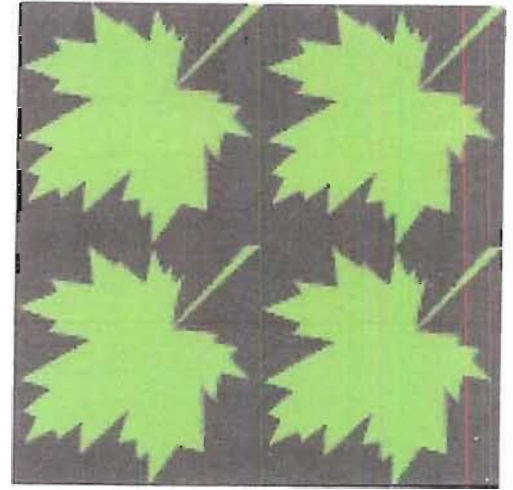


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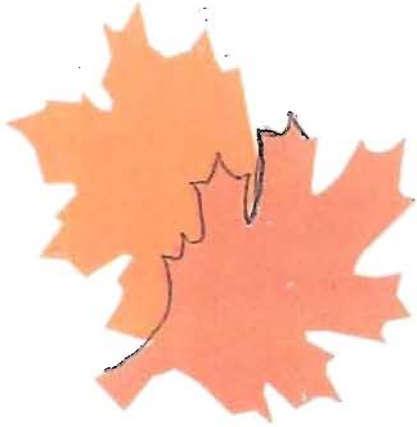


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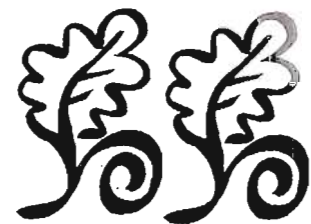
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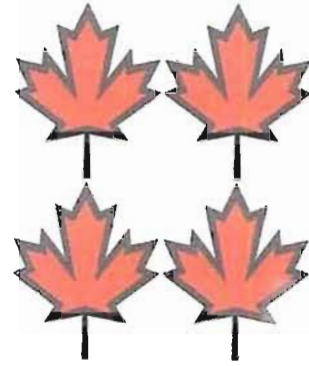
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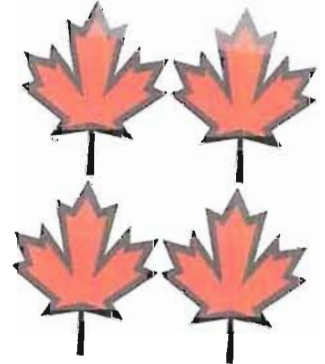
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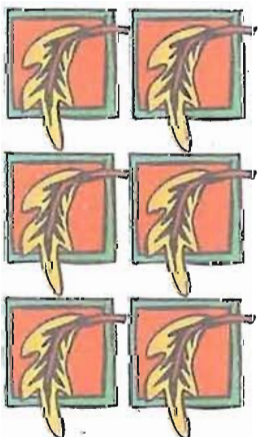
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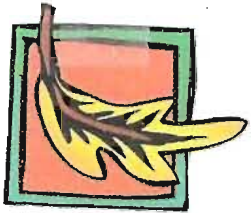
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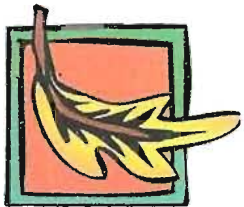
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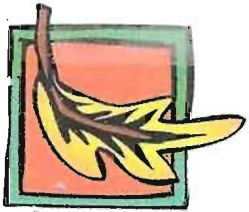
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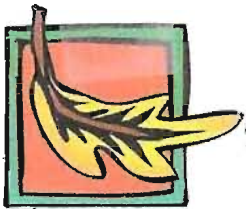
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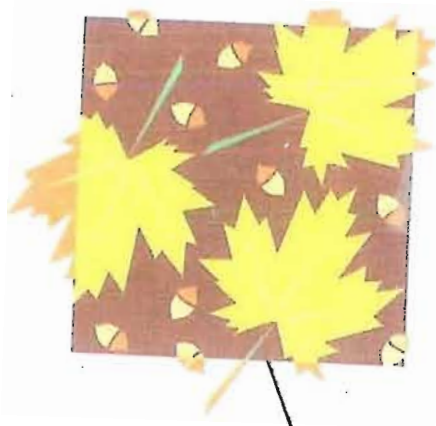
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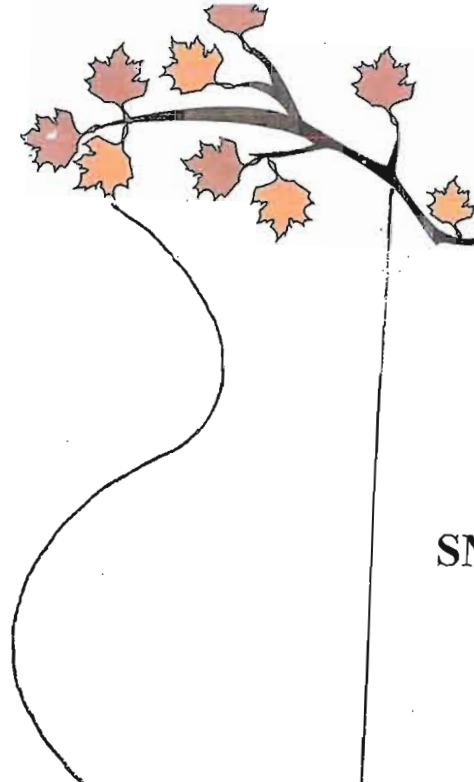
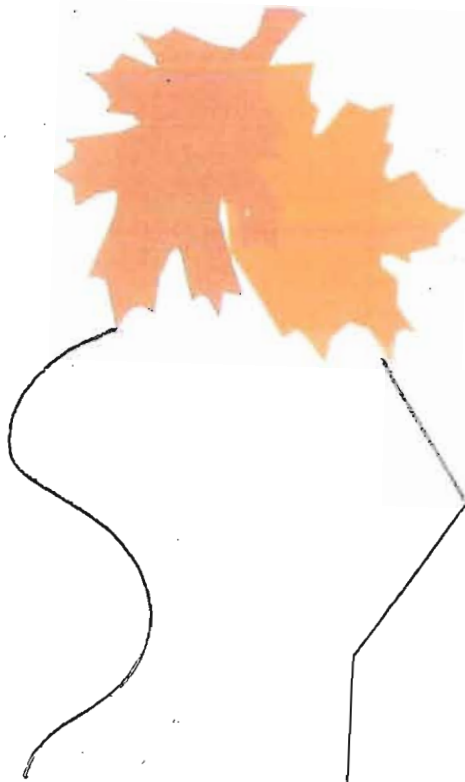


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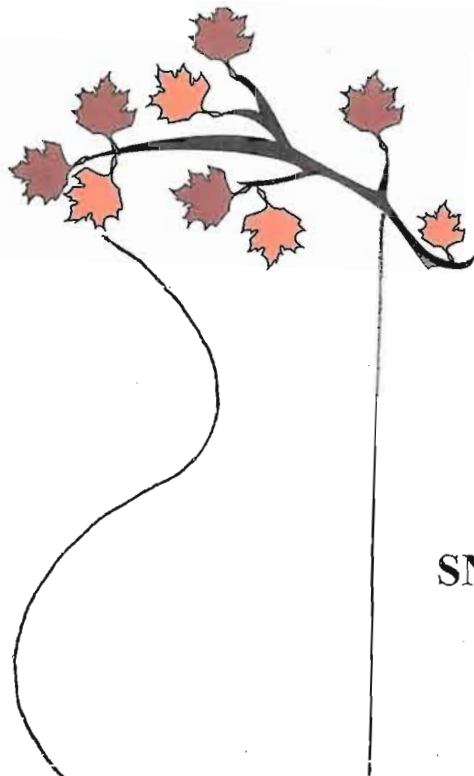
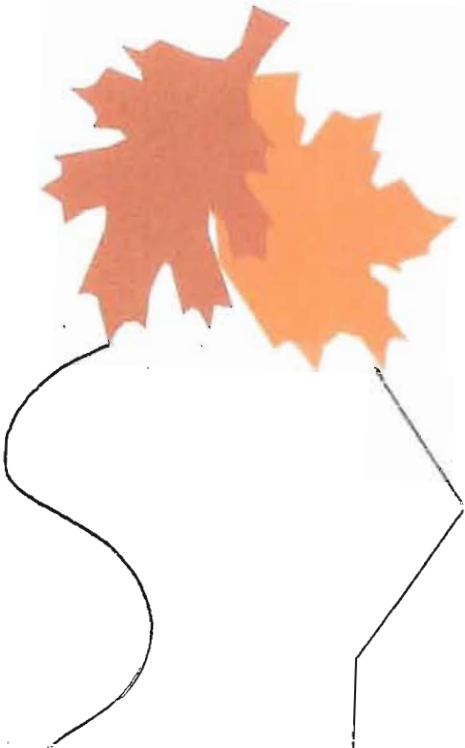
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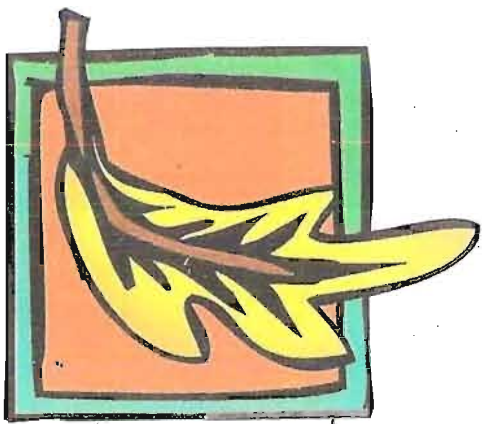
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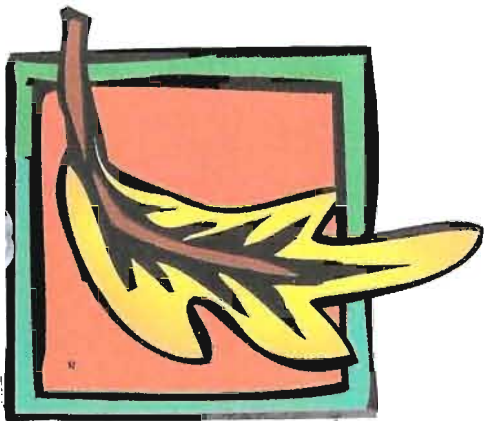
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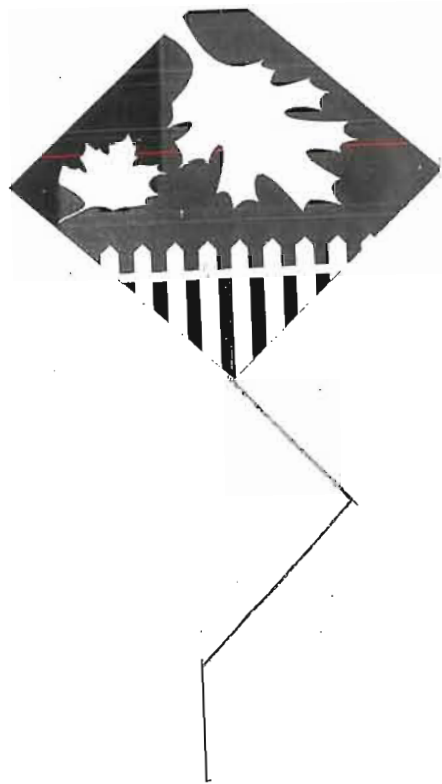
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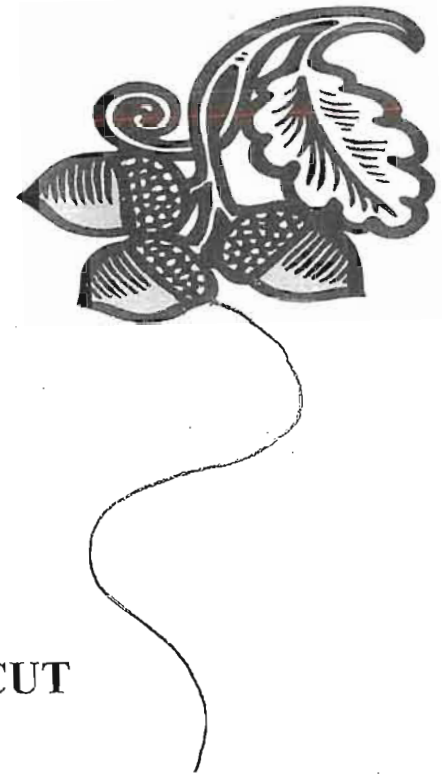
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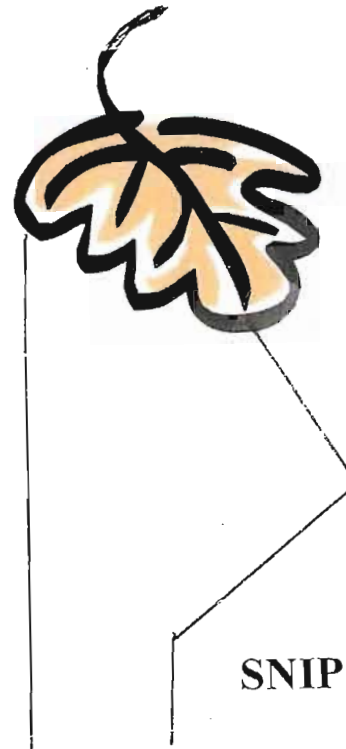
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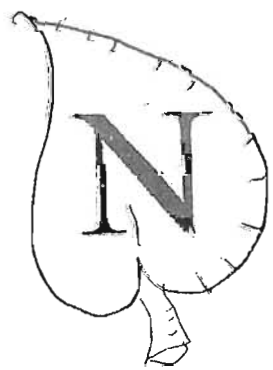
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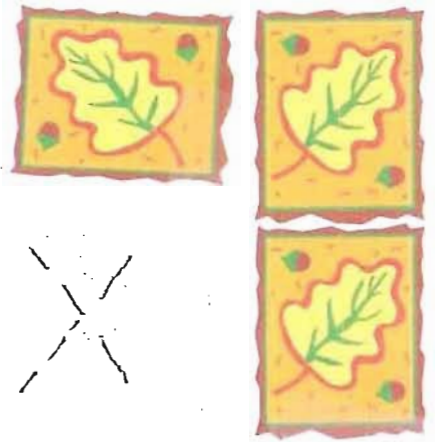
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umber Fun!





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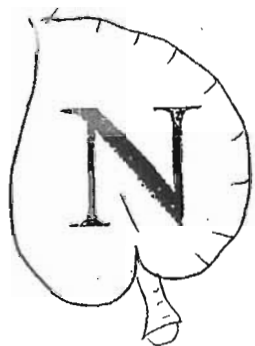
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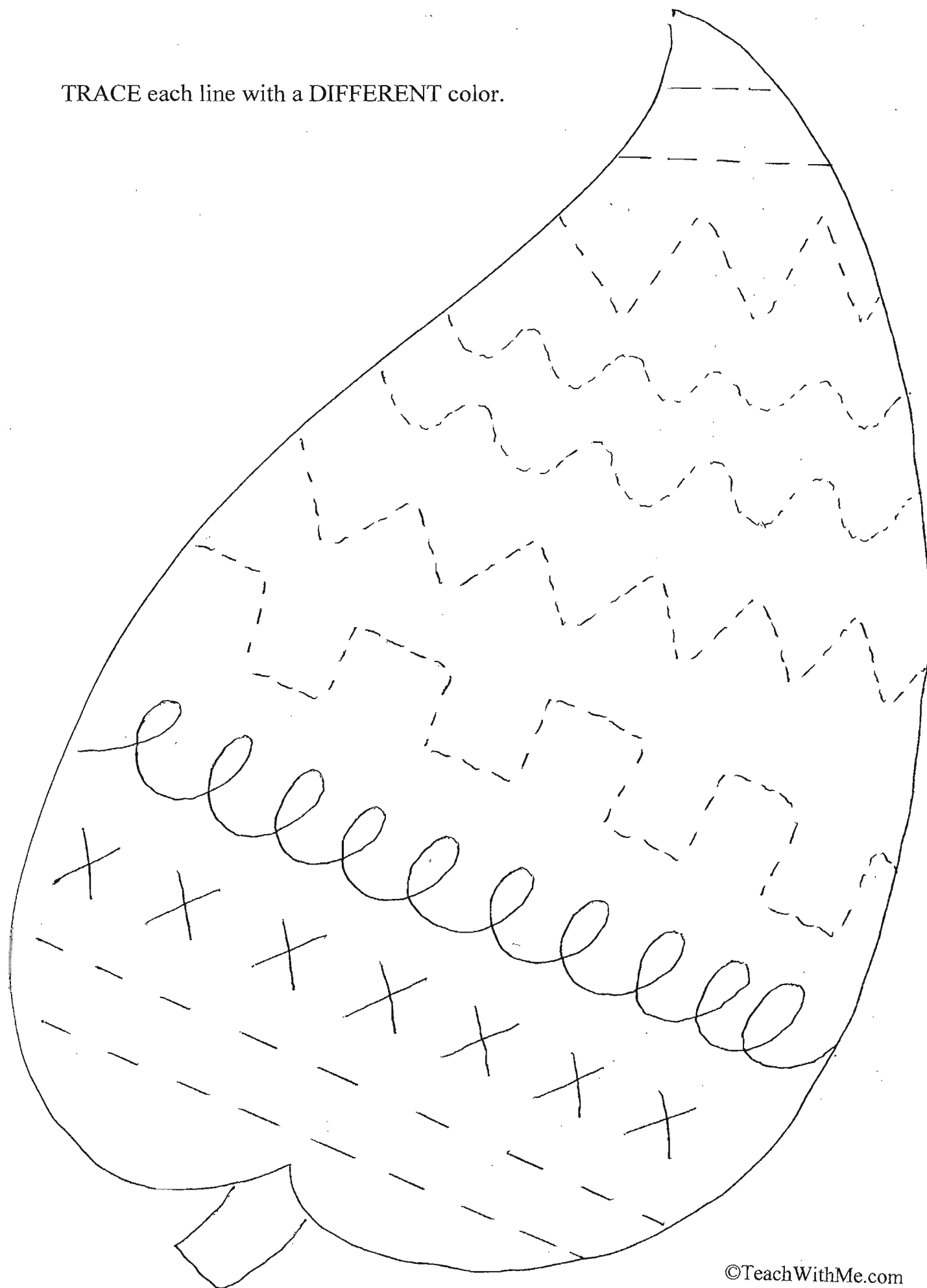
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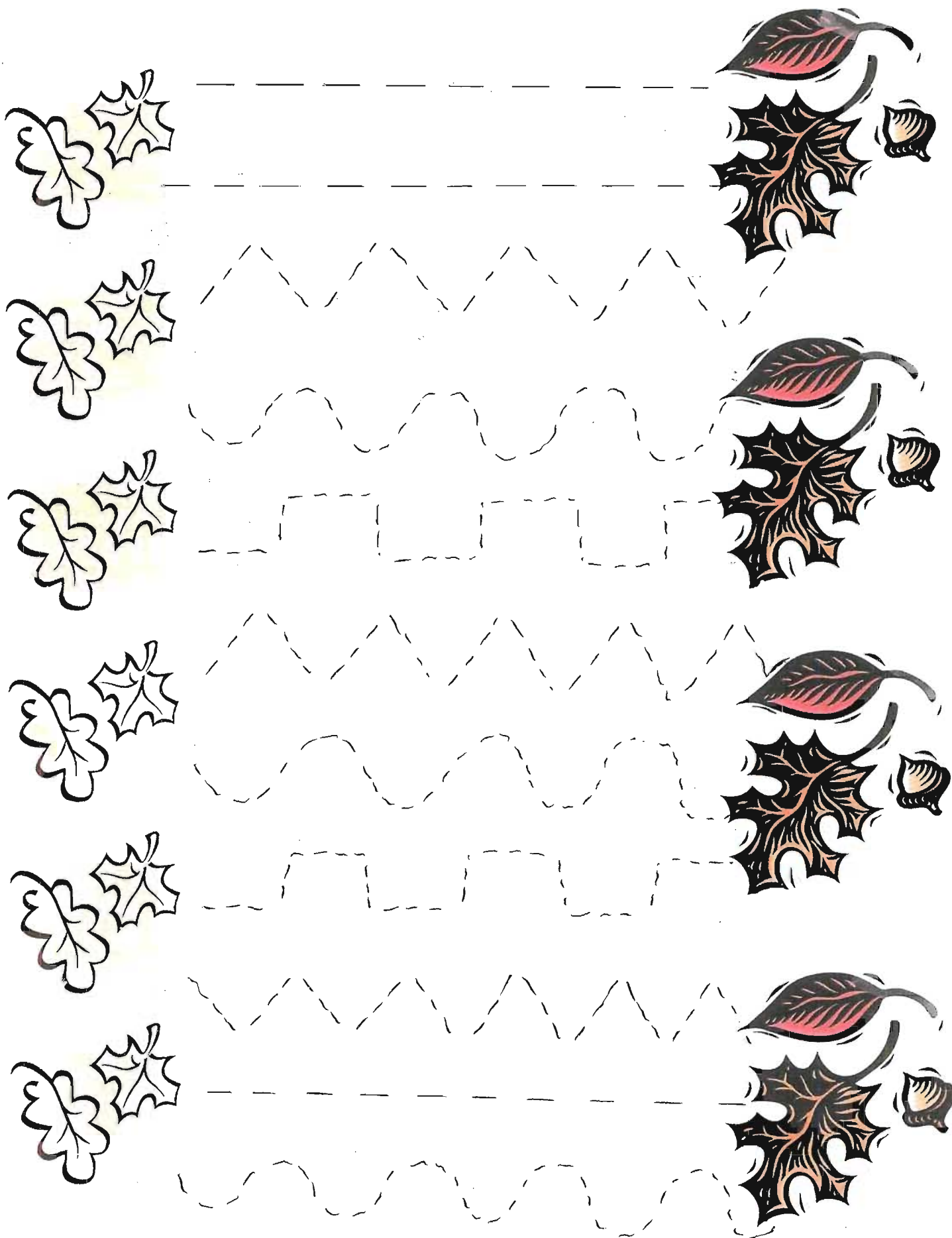


umber Fun!



TRACE each line with a DIFFERENT color.





TRACE the lines. Use a **DIFFERENT** color for each one.

TRACE and WRITE the spatial direction words.



above _____

beside _____

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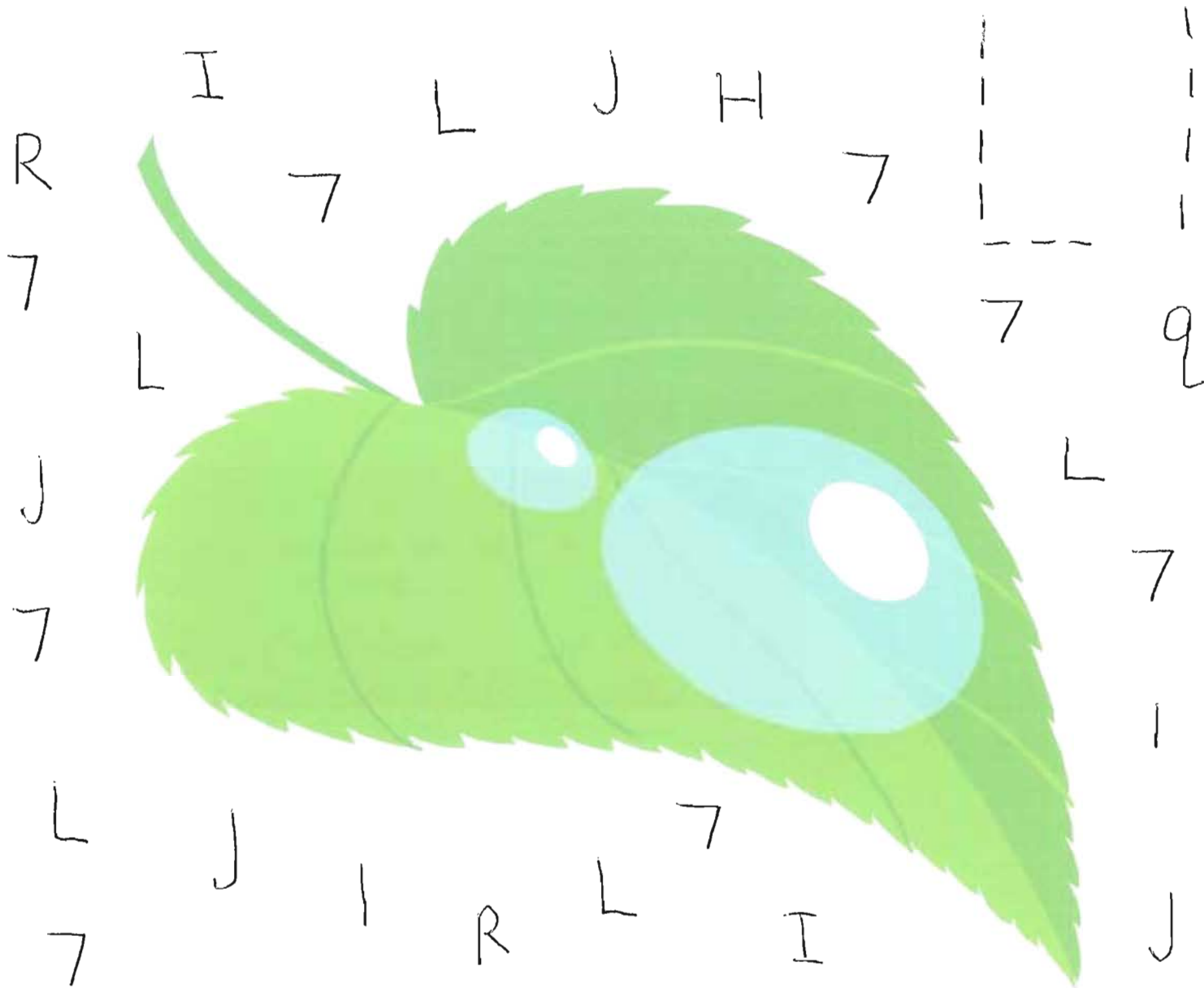
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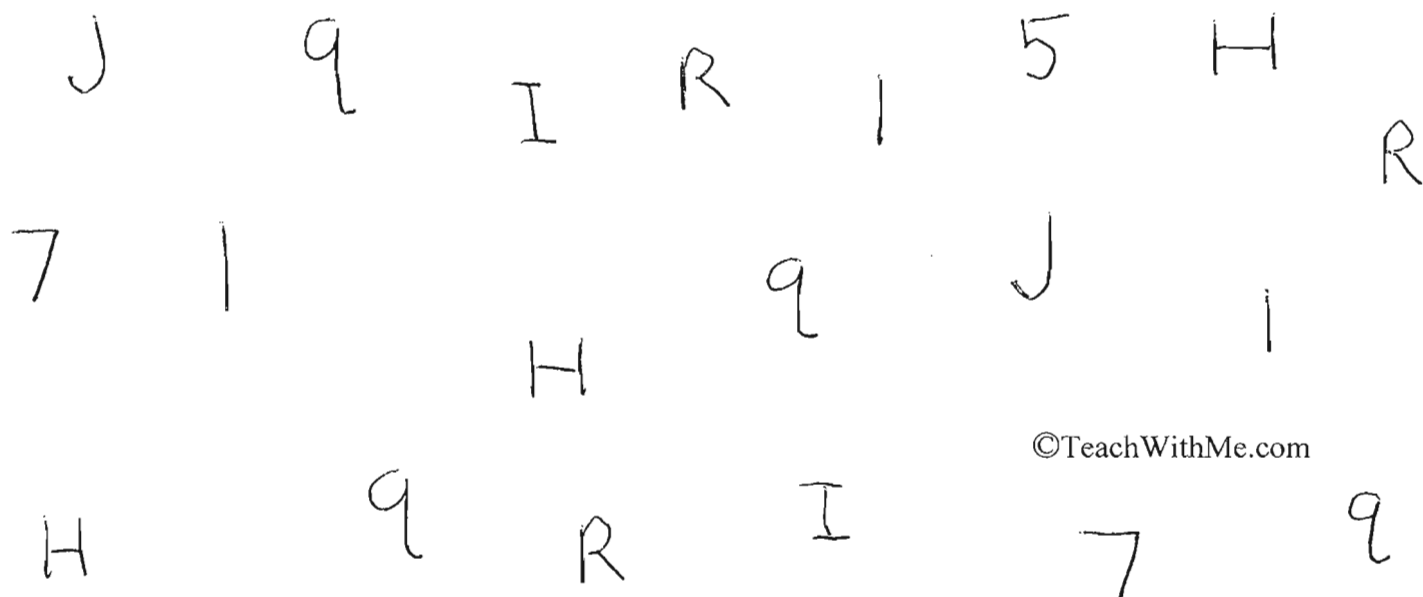
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behind _____



Leaf starts with the letter LI. CIRCLE all of the upper and lowercase LI's.
TRACE the big LI in the corner.





Fall Pencil Topper

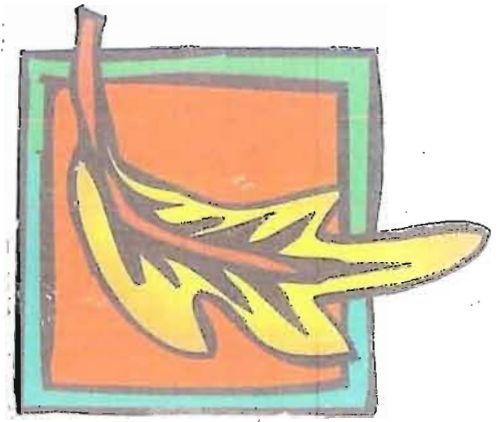
Cut out the rectangle.

Cut on the lines to make slits.

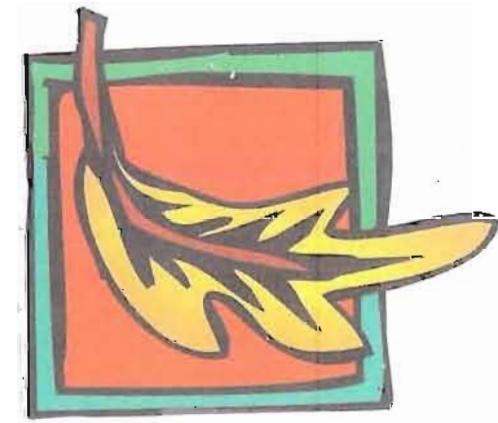
Insert pencil. Enjoy! ☺



Look How Well I WRITE My Name!



Look How Well I WRITE My Name!





November Punctuation

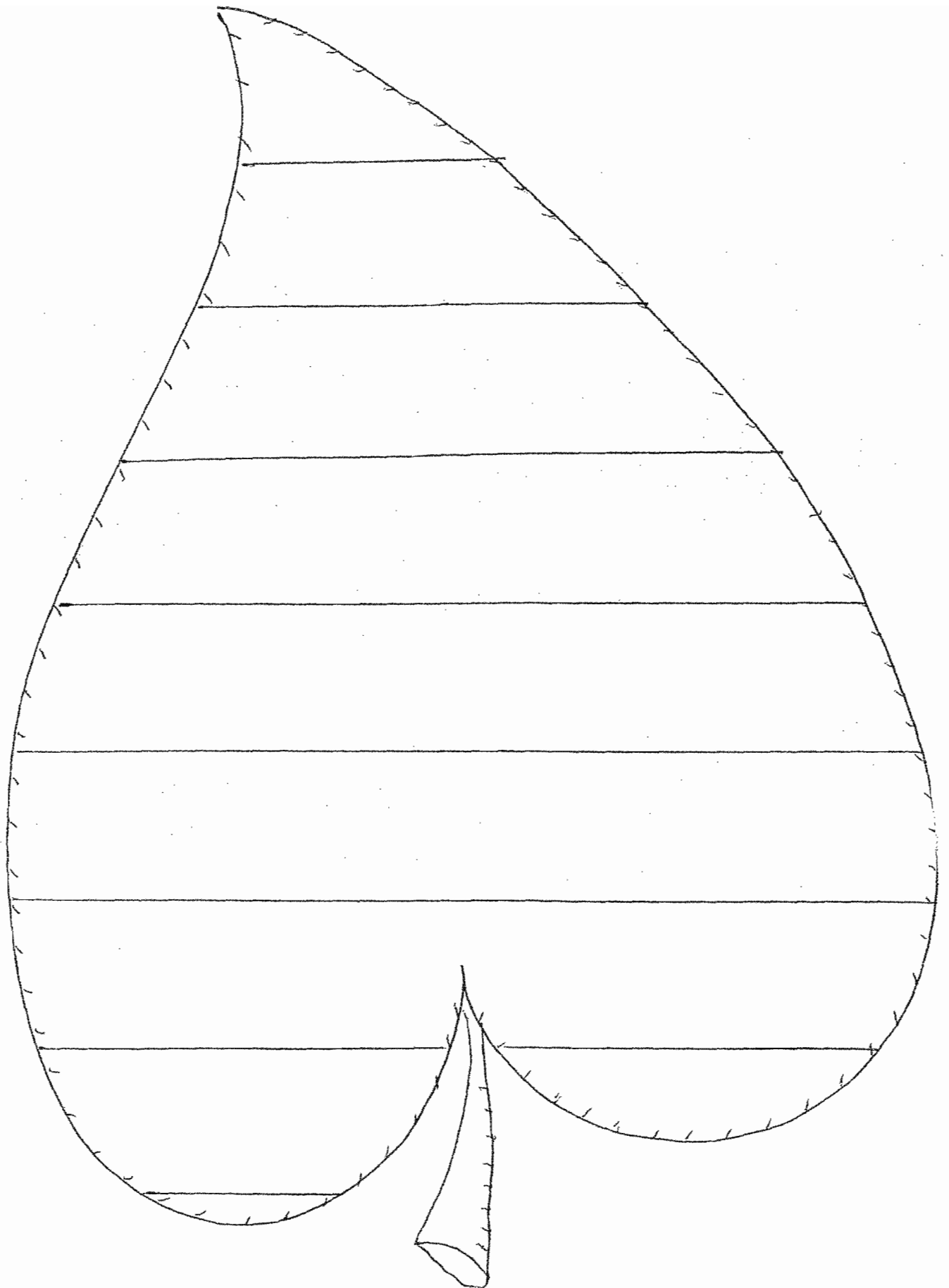
Fill in the correct punctuation with a (. ! ?)

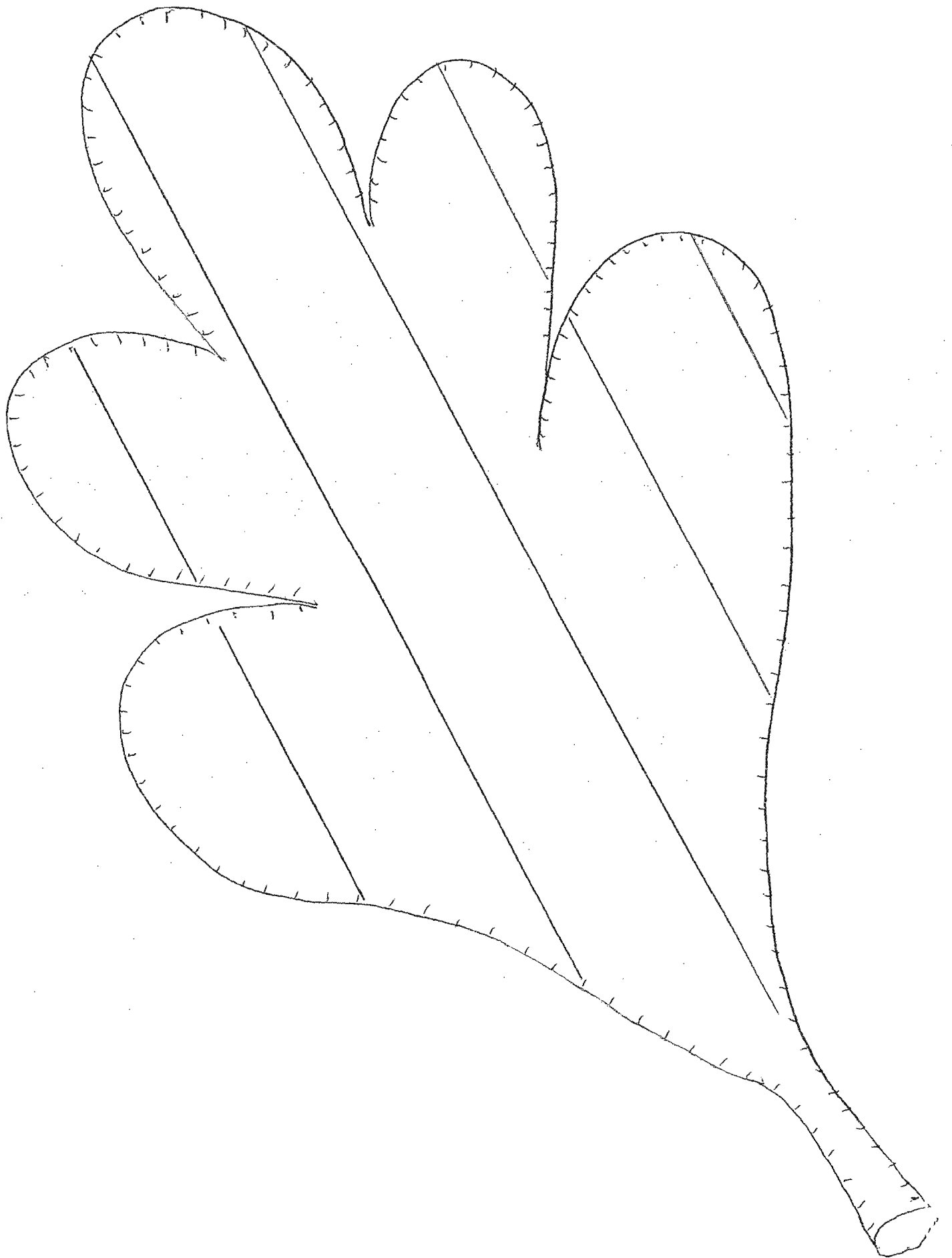
1. Happy Thanksgiving
2. Would you please pass the pumpkin pie
3. We're going to my grandma's for dinner
4. The Indians made friends with the pilgrims
5. Shoo The farmer tried to scare the crows away then finally made a scarecrow
6. The leaves have turned beautiful colors and are falling to the ground
7. Do you want to come over and watch the football game
8. We're having turkey for dinner
9. Hooray My team won the football game
10. Did the pilgrims sail on the Mayflower



November Writing Prompts

1. You're in charge of the big Thanksgiving Feast for your family. Who is coming? How many? What will you serve? What time is everyone coming? Will you play games? How will you decorate the table and your home?
2. You've never baked a turkey before, so you didn't know you had to thaw it first. Your guests are due to arrive in 4 hours and the turkey is rock solid. What's your plan B?
3. You are one of the pilgrims on the Mayflower. What's it like? Where are you from?
4. You've just landed on Plymouth Rock! How does it feel? Where do you go from here?
5. You're an Indian friend of Squanto and ask him to go with him to see the white people. What does he say? What happens next?
6. You're in charge of bringing home turkey dinner! Are you grabbing your gun and heading for the woods? Or is it your purse, the card and the grocery store? Tell me about the turkey trot.
7. It's a beautiful fall day. You and 5 friends decide to go for a nature walk to collect leaves. It's unseasonably warm for the beginning of winter so the bears must not have been fully hibernating, because you just woke 2 up! RUN! It's a bear! Tell me what's happening when you and your friends come upon 2 huge black and hungry bears.
8. Night's almost upon you and your best friend. You were out collecting leaves and the time got away from you; and so did the directions. You're LOST! What do you do now?
9. You'll have 4 days of vacation! Tell me what your plans are.
10. You're on your way to grandma's for Thanksgiving dinner. Your dad decides to take a "short cut" because of all the traffic. You're lost on a very deserted strip of road and you get a flat tire. There's a spooky looking cabin in the distance, which you can barely see because it's started to snow. What do you do?





turkey
Indians
November
harvest
pumpkin
scarecrow
England
Plymouth
Massachusetts
colony
winter

leaves
acorn
Wampanoag
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Squanto
Thanksgiving
Pilgrims
Mayflower
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Fall Word Find

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*Answer
Key ☺



Fall Slider

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Cut Out Sliders. Insert Into Slider Leaf Slits

Slits to review numbers, letters & shapes.

For the alphabet Slider Glue 2nd Strip "J" under "I" & 3rd strip "U" under "T". To Avoid accidentally pulling out Strips you can glue a longer strip of paper on the end & then simply fold the strip in to pull the strip out to change to another slider.

Students can
Color the
Shapes

Materials:

- White construction paper
- Scissors

Directions:

Prep:

- Run off master.
- Pre-cut sliders
- Pre-cut slits in slider.

The next day...

1. Children CUT out their slider.
2. Students WRITE their name on the BACK of their slider.
3. Children insert slider from the back to the front. Teacher decides what slider students will be working on.
4. As a whole group, we use the manipulative to review the information on the slider.
5. I encourage the children to do it again for their parents and include a note about the slider in my newsletter.
6. I ask parents to ask their child to share their slider with them. It helps reinforce lessons, builds self-esteem, and shows their child that they care about what they are learning in school.
7. Since we have a slider for each theme, they make a nice collection.
8. After my students are done with their slider, they clean up their work station, leave their slider at the table and transition to a Tummy Tubby Time activity. When everyone is done, they get their slider and sit on our *Circle of Friends* carpet.
9. Depending on time, we insert 1 or 2 sliders and review the material as a whole group. I'll have them put the shortest slider in, take the other sliders back to their desk, and we'll review body parts (put your slider on your elbow, knee, wrist etc.), then we'll use it for spatial directions; (put your slider on, behind, above, beside you.) We'll finish up with the *Slider Pokey* and finally "Blast Off" counting from 10-0 and then go put our sliders in our backpacks. ☺



Body Part Identification

- ❖ Put the leaf on your shoulder.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your shin.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your knee.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your elbow.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your leg.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your wrist.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your thigh.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your forehead.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your waist.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your hip.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your left hand.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your right hand.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your palm.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your head.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your heel.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your toes.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your foot.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your back.
- ❖ Put the leaf on your neck.
 - Turn around.
 - Sit down.
 - You're done.
 - Having fun?



Leaf Pokey

Put your leaf in
Take your leaf out
Put your leaf in
Now you shake it all about
You do the Leaf Pokey and you turn your self around.
That's what it's all about.

You put your leaf up.
You put your leaf down.
Your put your leaf up.
Now your twirl it all around.
You do the Leaf Pokey and you turn your self around
That's what it's all about.

You put your leaf to the left.
You put your leaf to the right.
You put your leaf to the left.
Now you hide it out of sight.
You do the Leaf Pokey and you turn your self around
That's what it's all about.

You do the Leaf Pokey.
You do the Leaf Pokey.
You do the Leaf Pokey.
Rustle Rustle Rustle
Crunch Crunch!



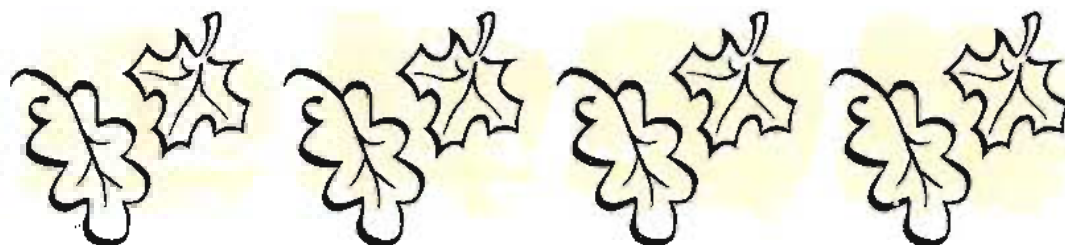
Congratulations!

Has done outstanding
work during our fall studies
this week!



Teacher: _____

Date: _____



"LEAF" it to

for doing a nice job during our autumn unit.

What a great way to FALL into
wonderful work habits and good behavior!



Teacher: _____

Date: _____





November Book

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3. Autumn Days by Schweninger \$4.25
4. Autumn Leaves Are Falling by Fleming \$3.99
5. Chipmunk At Hollow Tree Lane, Sherrow, \$4.99
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4. Celebrating Thanksgiving Giving Thanks by Kupperstein \$2.99
5. Countdown to Thanksgiving by Huelin \$3.95
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8. Grow A Pumpkin Pie by Gerver \$3.99
9. Happy Thanksgiving, Biscuit! By Capucilli \$6.95
10. I'm Thankful Each Day! By Hallinan \$6.95
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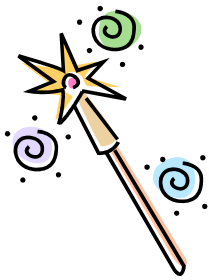
Each month I change the books in my students' book laundry basket. This is November's Basket. If I have a lot on one theme, I'll have a smaller basket to keep them separate. I have 2 small baskets for November. One for Native Americans and one for Scooby that they can take to the tee pee tent.



Children's November Hamper Books:

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2. A Plump and Perky Turkey by Bateman \$6.95
3. All About Seeds by Kuchalla \$4.95
4. Autumn by Bryant_-Mole \$4.95
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20. It's Fall! By Glaser \$4.95
21. Long Ago and Today by Williams \$2.75
22. Look At A Tree by Curran \$2.99
23. Max and Maggie in Autumn by Craig \$2.95
24. N. C. Wyeth's Pilgrims by Souci 4.95
25. Oh My, Pumpkin Pie!, Charles Ghigna, \$3.95
26. Over The River and Thro' The Woods by Chartier \$2.25
27. Silly Tillys Thanksgiving dinner by Hoban \$3.95
28. Starting With Nature Tree Book by Hickman \$5.95
29. Thanks for Thanksgiving, Markes \$4.25
30. Thank You, Thanksgiving, Milgrim \$4.59
31. Thanksgiving at the Tappletons' by Spinelli \$5.95

- 32.Thanksgiving Cats by Marzollo \$3.25
- 33.Thanksgiving Day by Rockwell \$4.95
- 34.Thanksgiving Treat by Stock \$4.99
- 35.The Extra-Thankful Thanksgiving by Watson \$3.95
- 36.The Falling Leaves by Metzger \$4.95
- 37.The First Thanksgiving by George \$6.99
- 38.The First Thanksgiving by Hayward \$3.99
- 39.The Goose That Almost Got Cooked by Simont \$3.99
- 40.The Nutty Nut Chase, White, \$4.59
- 41.The Pumpkin Blanket by Zagwyn \$6.95
- 42.The Quilt-Block History of Pioneer Days by Cobb \$7.95
- 43.The Thanksgiving Feast by Ward \$1.95
- 44.The Three Friends and the Leaves by dePaola \$2.95
- 45.The Turkey Saves The Day by Canning \$3.95
- 46.The Turkey Who Came To Dinner (Rugrats)\$4.95
- 47.The Very First Thanksgiving Day (Hard Cover) by Greene \$6.95
- 48.Think of Those in Need by Berenstain \$3.25
- 49.Three Little Pilgrims by Craig \$2.95
- 50.Trees and Leaves by Morgan \$9.95
- 51.Turkey Trouble by Walsh \$1.50
- 52.Turkey's Best Thanksgiving by Jackson \$2.95
- 53.Winnie The Pooh's Thanksgiving, Bruce Talkington \$5.95



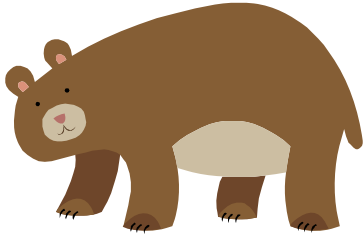
Magic Trick Book(s)

The Crow (All By Myself Popcorn book) \$3.99

Change the leaves from green to red, orange, yellow and brown. (Read any leaf book).

Brown Bear Brown Bear by Martin \$9.95 Use flannel board for sequencing. Paper bear goes in stuffed bear comes out.

Can also produce a scarecrow windsock or a stuffed turkey. The one turkey tucks in to make a zippered football too.



Each month we celebrate a color.

Our color for November is **BROWN**.

My student LOVE Scooby Doo so I have a few skill sheets with Scooby on them, a 15 minute earned video an a book basket of Scooby along with some Tummy Tubby Scooby manipulatives. They so enjoy it!

These are the books I have in that collection. What's amazing to me is that I watched Scooby when I was in middle school, my own adult children watched it, and now it's come full circle again and my Y5's like Scooby too!

Scooby Doo:

1. Aloha, Scooby Doo!
2. Baseball Blackout
1. Dinosaur Dig
2. Disappearing Donuts
3. Ghost In The Garden
4. Haunted Halloween Mask
5. Howling On The Playground
6. Little Book Of Big Excuses!
7. Monster Of Mexico
8. Sea Monster Scare
9. Search For Scooby Snacks
10. Snack Snatcher
11. Snow Ghost
12. Spooky Sports Day
13. That's Snow Ghost
14. The Apple Thief
15. The Haunted Pumpkins
16. The Haunted Ski Lodge
17. The Mixed-Up Museum
18. The Pizza Place Ghost
19. The Race Car Monster
20. The Surf Scare
21. Valentine's Day Dognapping
22. Vanishing Valentines

Materials:

- Brown, Green, Yellow, Red, Orange construction paper
- Glue stick
- Scissors
- Hole punch
- Yarn
- Black Markers
- *Optional:* Glitter glue &/or rhinestone jewels & glue dots

Directions:

- Trace the leaf templates and have a parent helper pre-cut.
- Cut the green construction paper in half horizontally.
- Trace the templates on brown paper or run them off on a Duplo.
- Students cut out the brown shapes.
- Children glue the leaves to the correct shapes. I do this as a whole group listening and following direction assessment.
- Add veins with a black marker.
- Put a strip of glue on the top of the green rectangle. Press the bottom of the brown square on it.
- Put a strip of glue on the bottom of the green rectangle. Press the top of the brown circle on it.
- Put a stripe of glue down the middle of the brown triangle. Press it in the center of the green rectangle.
- Flip over the mobile. Students write their name on the bottom of the brown circle.
- Glue the word chlorophyll to the middle of the green rectangle.
- Glue the green leaf to the brown square.
- Add veins to the leaf with a black marker.
- Punch a hole in the square, tie with a loop of yarn.
- For added pizzazz outline the leaves with matching glitter glue, or glue a matching rhinestone to each leaf.
- Hang the banners from the ceiling in the hallway.
- Review why leaves change color and the chlorophyll vocabulary word.

Sparkling Autumn Colors

Materials:

- White glue
- Rock salt
- Orange, yellow, red, and green food coloring
- White cardstock paper

Directions:

- Run off the leaf master.
- Mix up the rock salt “paint”

Recipe: ½ cup white glue to 2 cups of rock salt + 10 drops of food coloring

- Children write their name on their paper.
- Children gently fill in their leaves using a Popsicle stick.
- Set aside to dry.
- You can also use my pumpkin master and make a sparkling pumpkin.

Background:

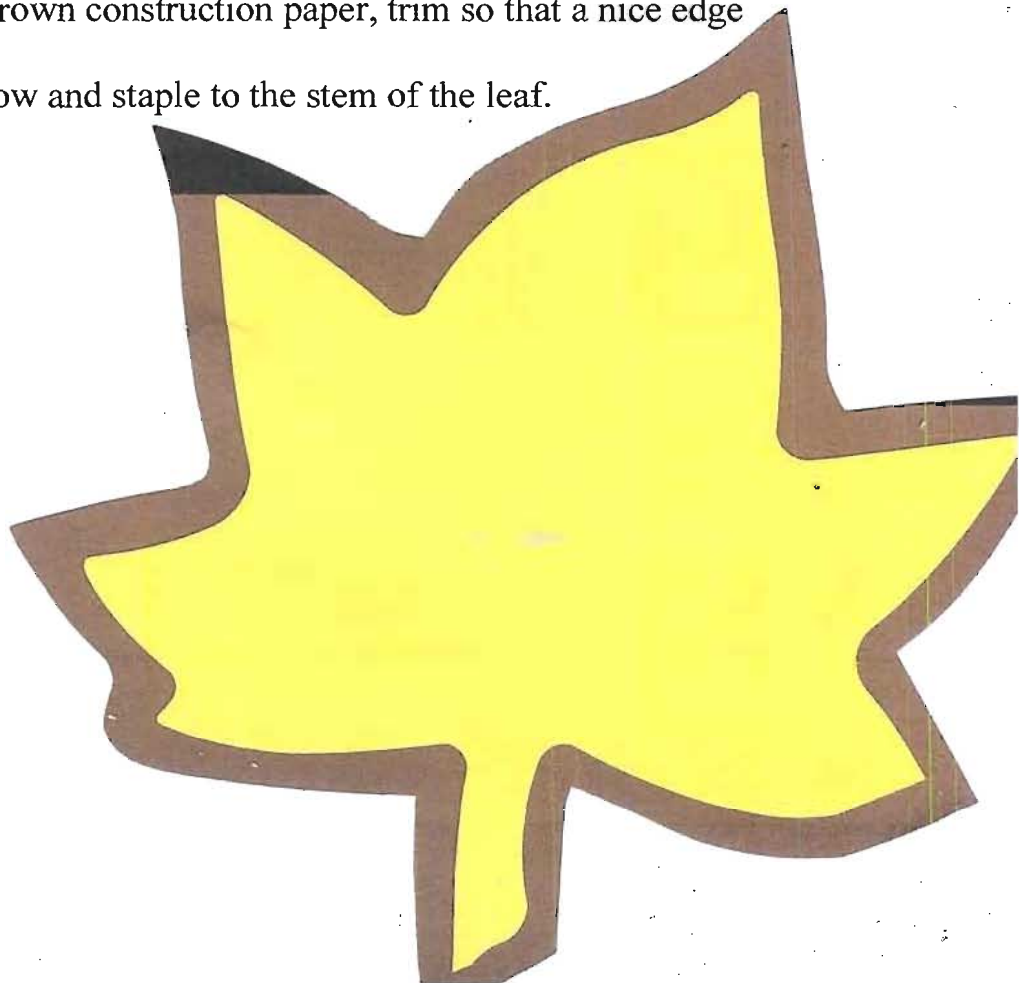
• I got this idea from my fellow teacher Mary who teaches kindergarten.
Thanks for sharing Mary ☺

Materials:

- Orange, Yellow, and Brown construction paper
- Orange, Yellow, & Red tissue paper
- Raffia
- White glue
- Paint brush
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Stapler

Directions:

1. Die cut or trace my masters and cut out a leaf for each student.
2. Cut squares of orange, yellow, & red, tissue paper.
3. Dip a paint brush in white glue and brush some on the middle of the leaf.
4. Press one square of tissue at a time to the center of the leaf collaging it with tissue.
5. Glue the leaf on brown construction paper, trim so that a nice edge shows.
6. Tie a tiny raffia bow and staple to the stem of the leaf.



“Stuck On You” Fantastic Fall Leaf!

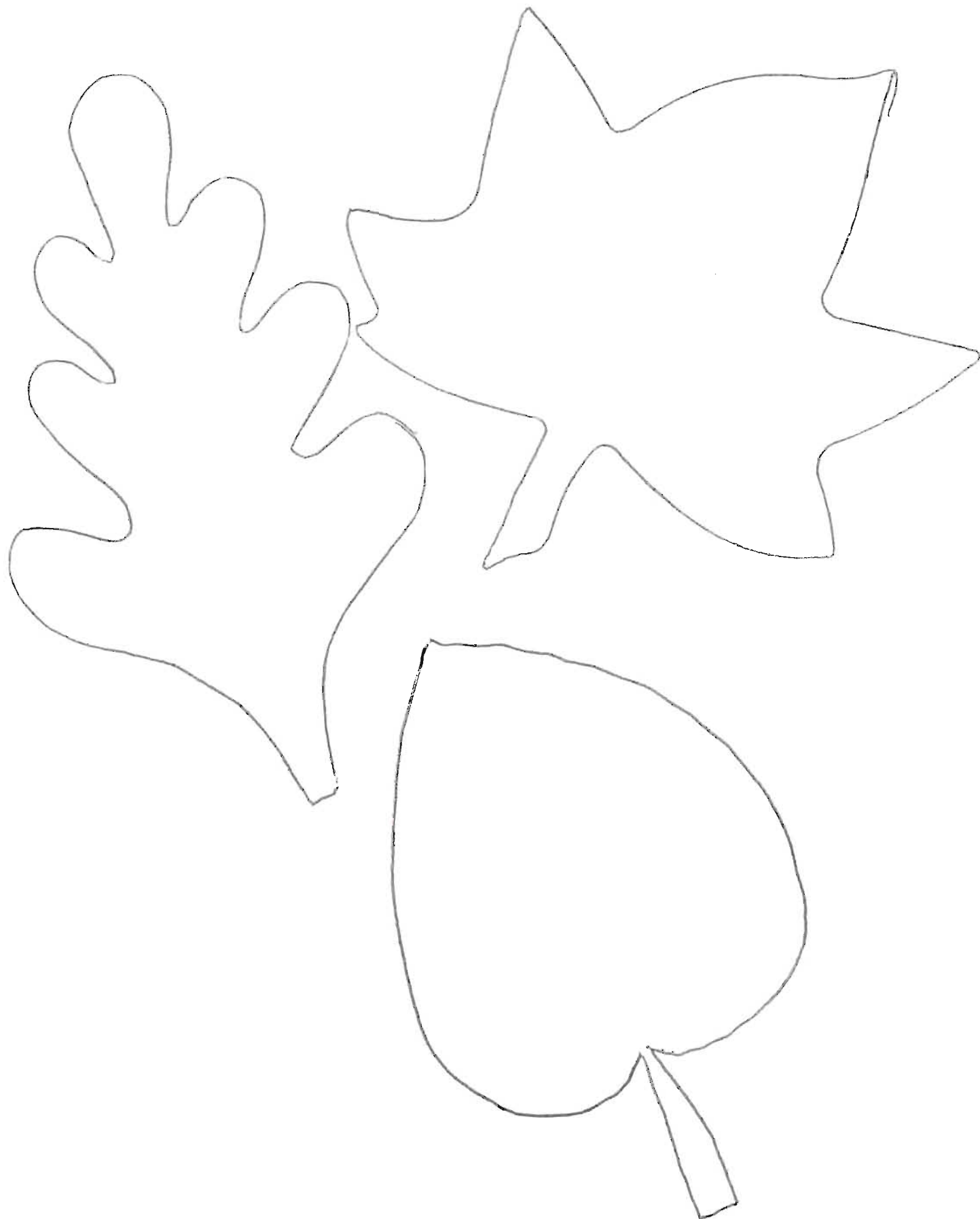
Materials:

- 9x12 sheet of clear contact paper
- 4-5 pressed fall leaves
- 9x12 sheet of yellow construction paper
- scraps of brown and orange construction paper
- scraps of raffia
- broken green, red, orange, yellow and brown crayons
- iron
- plastic crayon sharpener
- 9x12 sheet of waxed paper

Directions:

1. Cut the contact paper in the shape of an elm leaf.
2. Peel the backing off and lay it sticky side up.
3. Put the leaves on the contact paper face down.
4. Place the yellow paper on top of the leaves and press.
5. Flip the leaf over and rub the contact paper so that it adheres to the construction paper.
6. Trim the construction paper in the shape of an elm leaf.
7. Sharpen the crayons on top of the yellow construction paper and cover with waxed paper.
8. Iron on a low setting ‘til the colors run.
9. Trace and cut out an oak and maple leaf or use die cuts, attach to the top-back of the elm leaf.
10. Tie with a raffia bow and suspend from the ceiling for a fantastic fluttering fall display.





Fun Fall Leaf Activity

- ❖ I laminate green, red, yellow, orange and brown construction paper, then I cut it in 1/4ths and die cut it in the shape of leaves. I die cut 100!
- ❖ I scatter them all over the floor while the children are at recess.
- ❖ I tell them not to touch or step on any leaves 'til everyone is sitting on our Circle of Friends carpet then I say "Go on a leaf hunt!" they crawl on the floor to find and gather as many leaves as they can.
- ❖ When all the leaves are found, we sit back on the carpet; they sort by color and count how many leaves they have. (Later I have them sort by shape.)
- ❖ We graph the number of each color/shape, then total how many leaves in all.
- ❖ I also vary this on another day by making a class set (not laminated) with their names on them, they hunt for theirs.
- ❖ After Thanksgiving, when all the fall stuff goes on sale, I bought packages of leaves, and get the "real" fake leaves that are the size of real leaves and scatter those on a different day.
- ❖ Each year I buy an extra package so I can write my students' names on, and make them a pin.
- ❖ On 20 of the leaves I wrote numbers 0-20. They also have magnet strip on the backs. We locate those and sequence them on the white board.
- ❖ We count them from 0-20 in English, then 0-10 in Spanish, then "Blast off!" from 10-0
- ❖ I also drew a triangle, circle, rectangle and square on 30 of the leaves. They also have magnet strips on the back.
- ❖ We locate those and graph the results, identifying the shapes as we go.
- ❖ I have the children close their eyes and I mark an X on the board and place one of the shape leaves over the X. They open their eyes and have to guess which shape/leaf is hiding the X.
- ❖ We also do some ABAB, AABB, and ABC color patterns on the board. Besides counting and sorting the leaves, you could have your students do some patterning on the floor before you collected the leaves.
- ❖ I made 25 green leaves so that each child has at least one to hold so they can explain chlorophyll and how a leaf changes color.
- ❖ I also use these leaves in my magic tricks to explain that concept and get them to learn that vocabulary word.
- ❖ The prep-time to make my leaves was less than 2 hours and well worth the time and effort for the "bang" I get out of them. I keep them in 2 large zip lock storage baggies in my leaf unit box with my November stuff.
- ❖ My students absolutely LOVE doing these leaf hunts.
- ❖ It's a great fine motor skill that involves math extensions, only takes a few minutes to plug in, and gets the wiggles out before story time.

Sparkling Autumn Colors

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- Rock salt
- Orange, yellow, red, and green food coloring
- White cardstock paper

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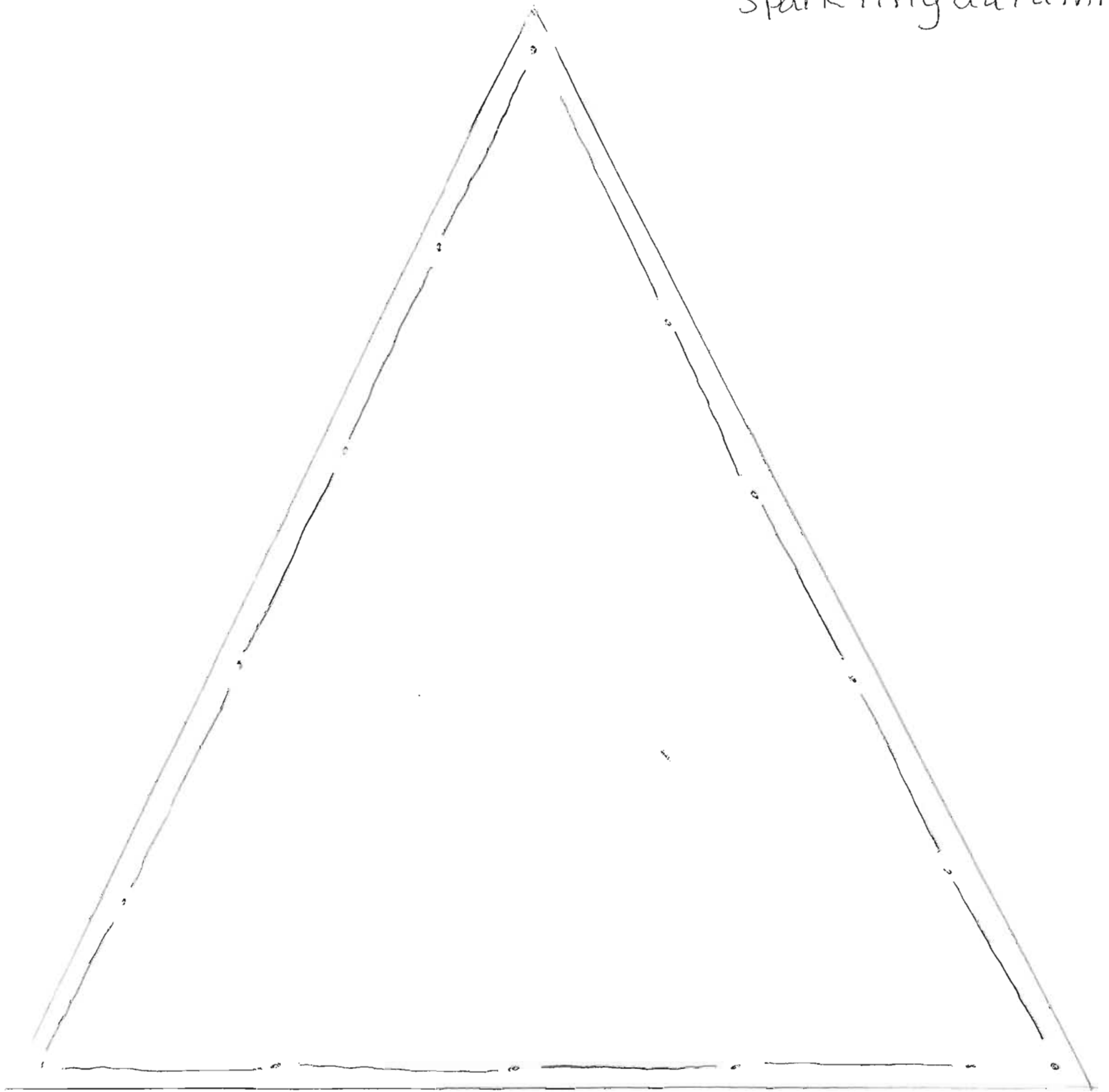
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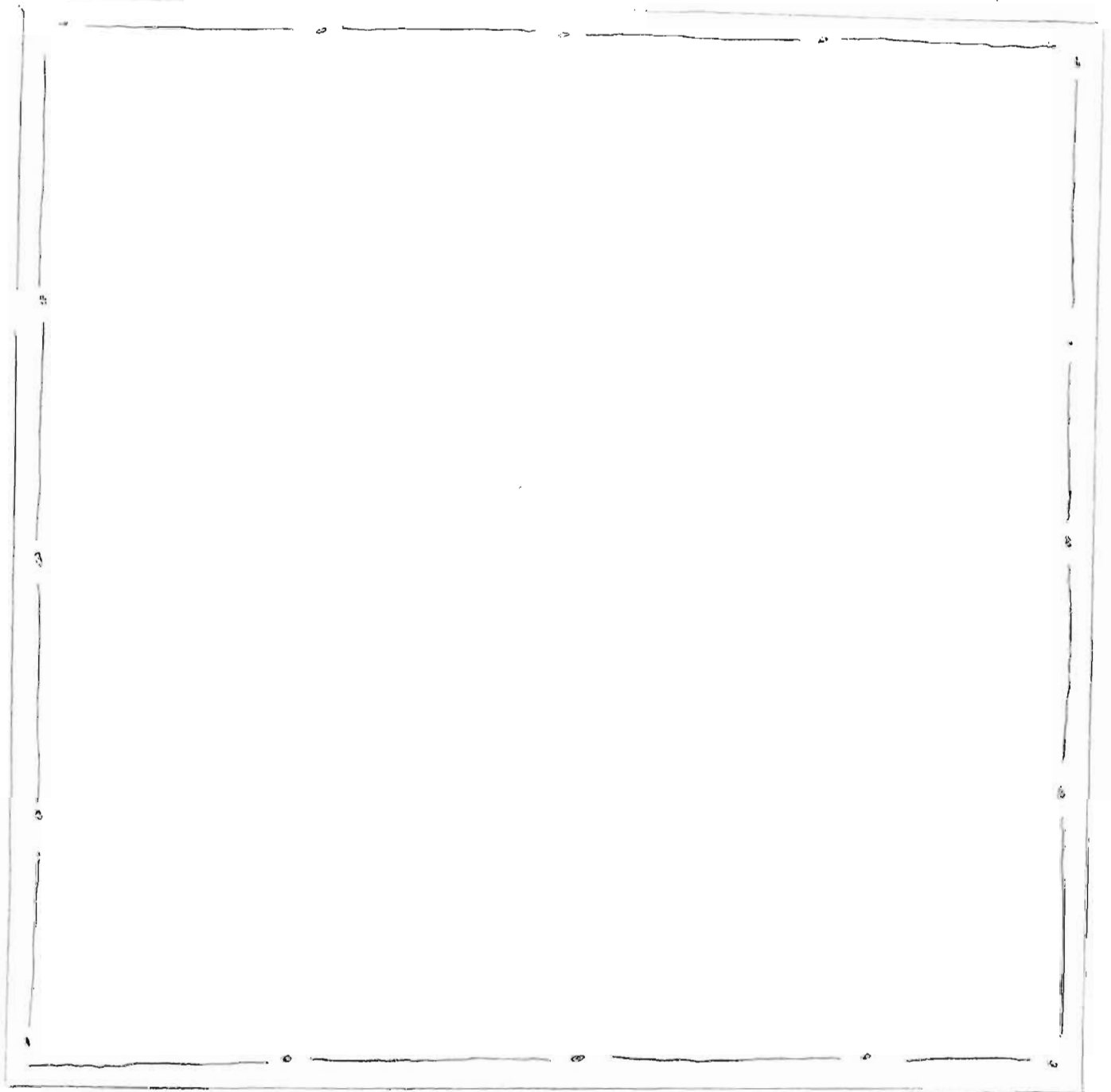


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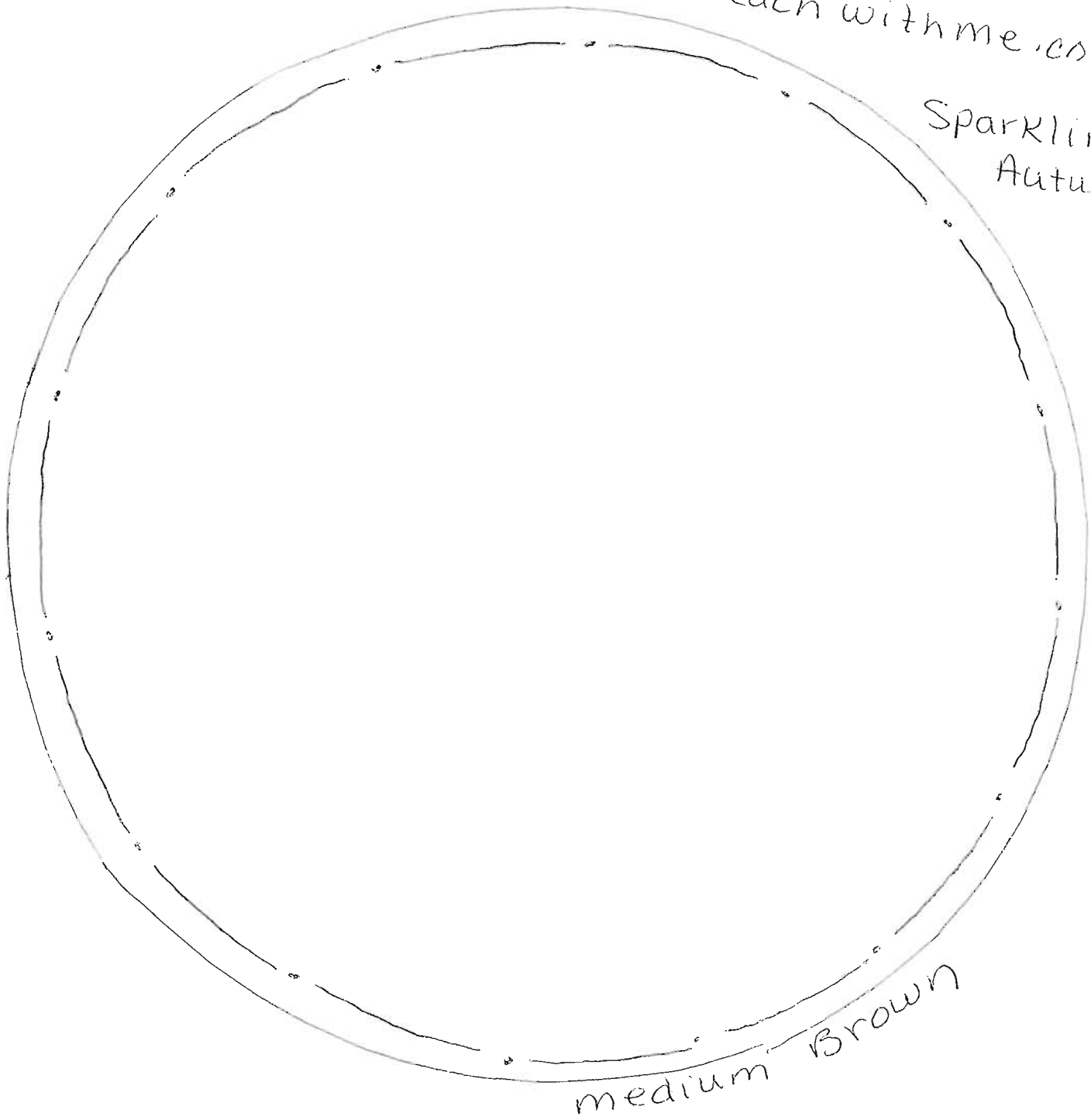


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Fall Fun Vases, Pumpkins, Baskets

To keep, give as a gift to your aide, room mommy helpers
Or to make mini ones to have your students give as gifts!
Here's how:

Materials:

- **Baskets and Vases** are a staple on my garage sale list. You can pick up really nice ones for a dollar. I simply keep them in open boxes in a gift-section of my basement. When I need to make a floral arrangement I know right where to go and it saves tons of money.
- **Ribbon** is another stock item you need to have when it's on sale at Michaels and Hobby Lobby. After holidays they discount always at 50% and as deep as 90%. Buy Fall colors and Christmas colors and it works for the entire year. i.e. red for apples, Valentines, Clifford; Green for St. Patty's day, spring trees etc. I keep rolls face up, sorted by color in clear plastic shoebox size containers with no lids for easy access.
- **Faux Pumpkins.** The hollow kind you can carve. They too are discounted 75% off! Buy 3 or 4 & keep handy
- **Fall Floral Bushes & picks** Wait 'til they are 75-90% off
- **Bag of mixed songbird birdseed**
- **6 bags of mini brown pebbles** I wait 'til they are also 50%

Directions:

1. Because you are buying bushes and not stems you don't have to be a floral designer!
2. A vase needs only one bush and you have an instant centerpiece. I made the vases for my aide and room helper and

wanted them a bit more showy (see picture) so I bought a leaf bush and a flower bush that had wheat and berries in it at 80% off! My total cost including the vase was \$7.60 The pumpkin cost me \$4.50 to make. Don't they look fantastic!

3. Put the larger leaf bush in 1st. Spread the stems out.
4. Then insert the smaller floral bush in the middle and bend and fluff those stems as well.
5. Pour bird seed in a pitcher. Pour a layer of birdseed then a layer of rocks 'til the vase is full; finish with rocks on the top.
6. Tie a ribbon around the base of the stems, making it long enough so that you have a double bow with some ribbon trailing down the vase.
7. **For a pumpkin** cut a lid.
8. Choose shorter bushes. I put two of the same kind to fill up one medium size pumpkin. That's it; you're done.
9. **For a basket** it's the same thing as the pumpkin, except I tie a bow around one side of the handle.
10. **To have your students make little vases** for their mommies, ask a parent to bring in Sunny D, or punch that comes in the little jugs for their snack drink that day.
11. Wash the containers out and let dry.
12. I buy the flower picks that *Michaels* sells. They come in yellow, burnt orange and red. I wait for them to go on sale.
13. The children use a spoon to entirely fill them with birdseed. I have them hold their vase over a large tub so clean up is easy.
14. Put just a few rocks in the top to hold the birdseed in place. Drizzle white glue to seal shut.
15. Tie a ribbon bow around the neck of the "vase".
16. They are sooooo proud of their turkey-riffic floral gift.
17. Write their name on a scrap of paper and set their vases somewhere 'til the glue dries and they can take their gift home in time for Thanksgiving.



Keepsake Tree-Trunk Arm Trees

Materials:

- Blue, red orange, yellow & brown construction paper
- Glue sticks
- Scissors
- **Optional:** Mini die cut leaves & student photo.

Directions:

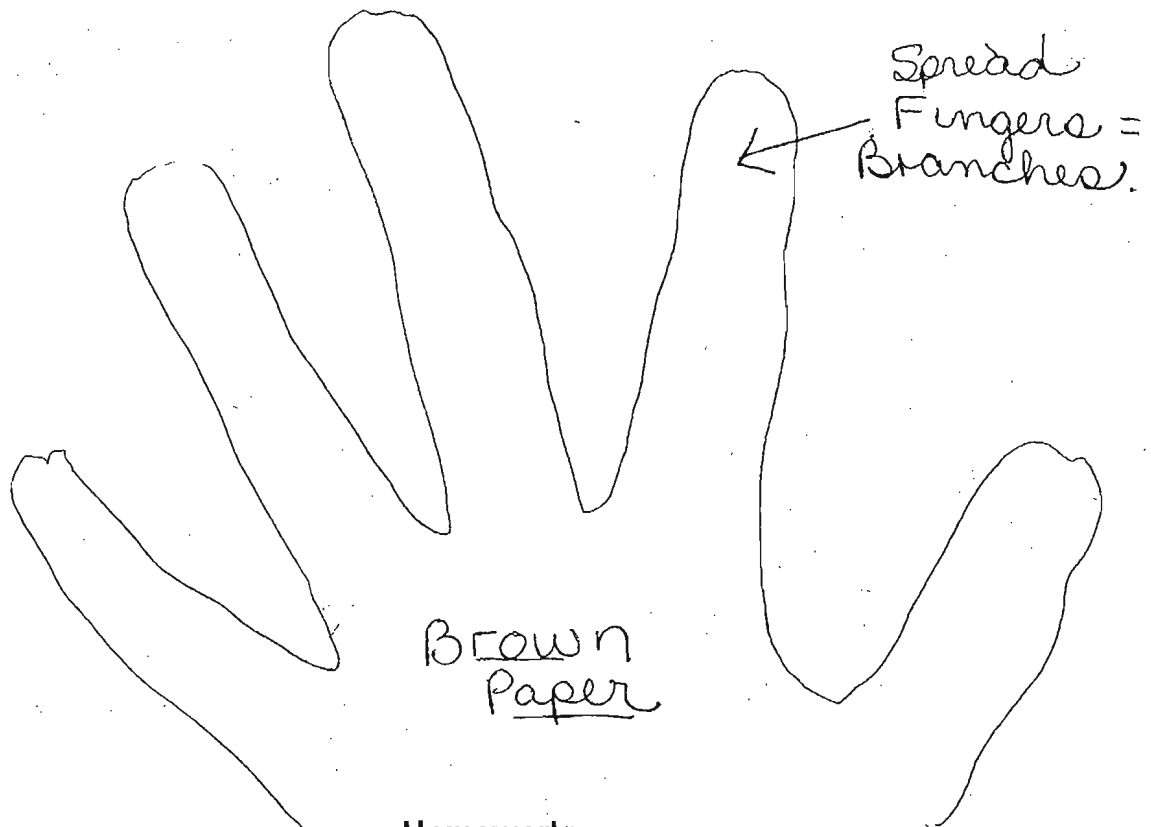
Prep:

- Run off masters
- Send note and construction paper home to parents a few days in advance.
- Cut strips of red, yellow and green construction paper.
- Pre-cut children's pix into and oval if you decide to add them for an added keepsake affect.
- I have also done this project with paint instead of as a rip and tear. If you are doing the Keepsake "Rippin' Through The Seasons" Book you may want to do this as a paint project. I think my student like the paint version better because they already do a lot of Rip & Tears and they love to PAINT! ☺
- I have a sample of both kinds in pictures for you to look at.
- Have some brown paper handy for children who don't bring in their homework. ☹
- I have also done some plain with no children's pictures, and some with the pix in the hollow and some with an owl as a hinge and a "Peek & See" word phrase glued to the paper. I have given you all the options to choose from. Enjoy!

The next day ...

1. Children rip, tear and glue their "leaves" on.
2. Show your sample as you will get children gluing them all on the bottom of the tree, or in such a mass at the top that you won't be able to see their fingers. Some make rainbow arcs and they waterfall cascade down the tree. Remind them that it's their tree, but you'd like to be able to see their fingers so don't glue to heavily on them.
3. Children glue their photo to the middle of the tree truck.

4. Children trim around their owl and “hinge” him like a door to the side of their photo.
5. Students glue their “Who is hiding? Peek and see...” word strip to the top of their paper.
6. Children WRITE their name at the bottom of their paper.
7. Hang on the wall, or back-to-back from the ceiling.
8. If you decide to do the paint version put paper plates on the table with a dollop of red, orange, yellow and brown.
9. Children dip their pointer finger into the paint and make “leaf-prints” on the tree branches.
10. Wipe finger with a didey wipe and set trees aside to dry.



Homework:

1. Please place your child's arm with their fingers spread in the middle of the brown piece of construction paper.
2. Trace the entire thing.
3. Cut it out.
4. It should look like a tree!
5. Put your child's name on the bottom of the trunk.
6. Glue it to the center of the blue piece of construction paper.
7. Tuck it in their Take Home Folder so it doesn't get bent.
8. Please return to school Monday the 10th Tuesday the 11th

Thanks!

The children will be finger painting leaves on their trees!

In the past, I did all the tracing and cutting and it took hours.

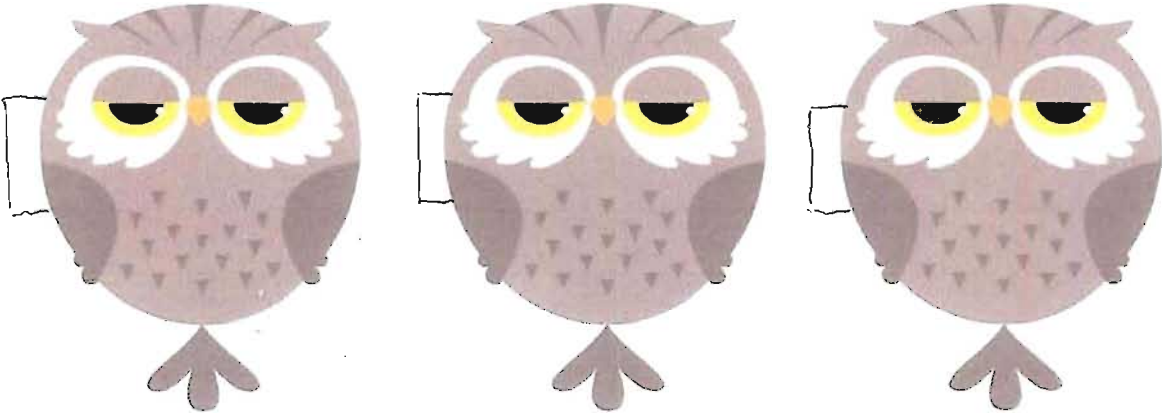
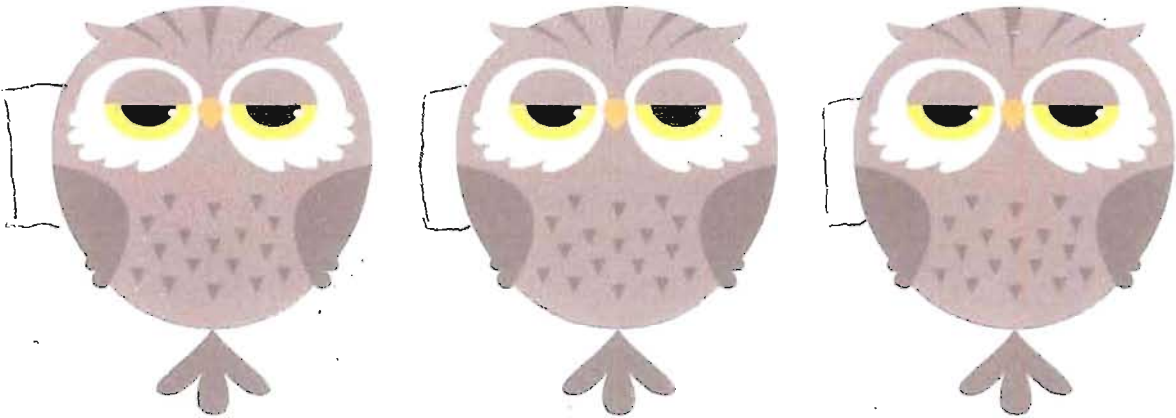
This will take each of you just a few minutes and be a beautiful keepsake!

Cut out "tree" & glue to
Blue Paper.

← arm = trunk

Diane

← Print your
child's name
here.



Whooooo is hiding?
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This is a very special tree
It's made with lots of TLC
My fingers are the branches,
My arm is the trunk
It's especially for you,
With love from me!

Diane

Jewels Of Fall

Large Leaf Silver Stamping

Materials:

- Black or dark brown construction paper
- Silver stamp pad
- Leaf stamps
- Jewels (the size of a pencil eraser)
- Mini Glue Dots
- White crayons

Directions:

1. Run off templates on Duplo; students cut out, or make templates and students can trace and cut. Because this is black paper, and I want it to be a fun quickie math extension center, I have an adult helper trace 1 and cut 5 out at a time.
2. Make copies of poem and have pre-cut.
3. Demonstrate to students how they press on the stamp pad and then press hard on the paper with the leaf stamp.
4. Children glue their poem to the bottom of the leaf.
5. Tell them the number of stamps that you want. I tie this in with our Groups and Sets vocabulary. I also choose one simple math equation $2+3=5$, $4+1=5$, $5+1=6$, $2+2=4$ are ones that we are working on, and link their stamping to that as well.
6. Children stamp the correct number of stamps on their leaf. I tell them about "spacing".
7. When they are done they have to write the group or set number and/or the equation on the back of their leaf along with their name in white crayon.
8. They bring their leaf to me, I check it, and they get to pick out 1-2 jewels which we put on their leaf with a glue dot.
9. These look great on a wall, b. board or hung from the ceiling. The black paper really makes the silver stamps pop!

Autumn leaves
falling from the trees.
Look like sparkling jewels
dancing in the breeze.

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Cut these Leaves out
of Black Construction
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Group or Set
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Silver
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They look
Awesome!

Add a
Flat Back
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glue-dot
for
some
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Large Leaf
Silver
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Fall-Colored Crayon Melt Trees

Background:

- I LOVE this project.
- It's so quick and easy the children are done in minutes and simply go bananas over the results.
- They are so excited they want to take them home, but I tell them we want to show everyone in the school how cool they are so we're going to hang them up in the hallway.
- They make an outstanding b. board on royal blue background paper. Everyone who goes by raves about them and pops in to say "Wow! Cool project. How'd you do that?"

Materials:

- Fall-color peeled crayons
- 3 Crayon sharpeners
- White construction paper
- Tree stamp or tree cut out of brown construction paper.
- Brown paint & brush if you are using a tree stamp.
- Glue sticks & scissors if using a construction paper tree
- Iron
- Wax paper
- Ink pen
- Small paper plates
- Extension cord.
- Table top ironing board or bath towel.

Directions:

Prep:

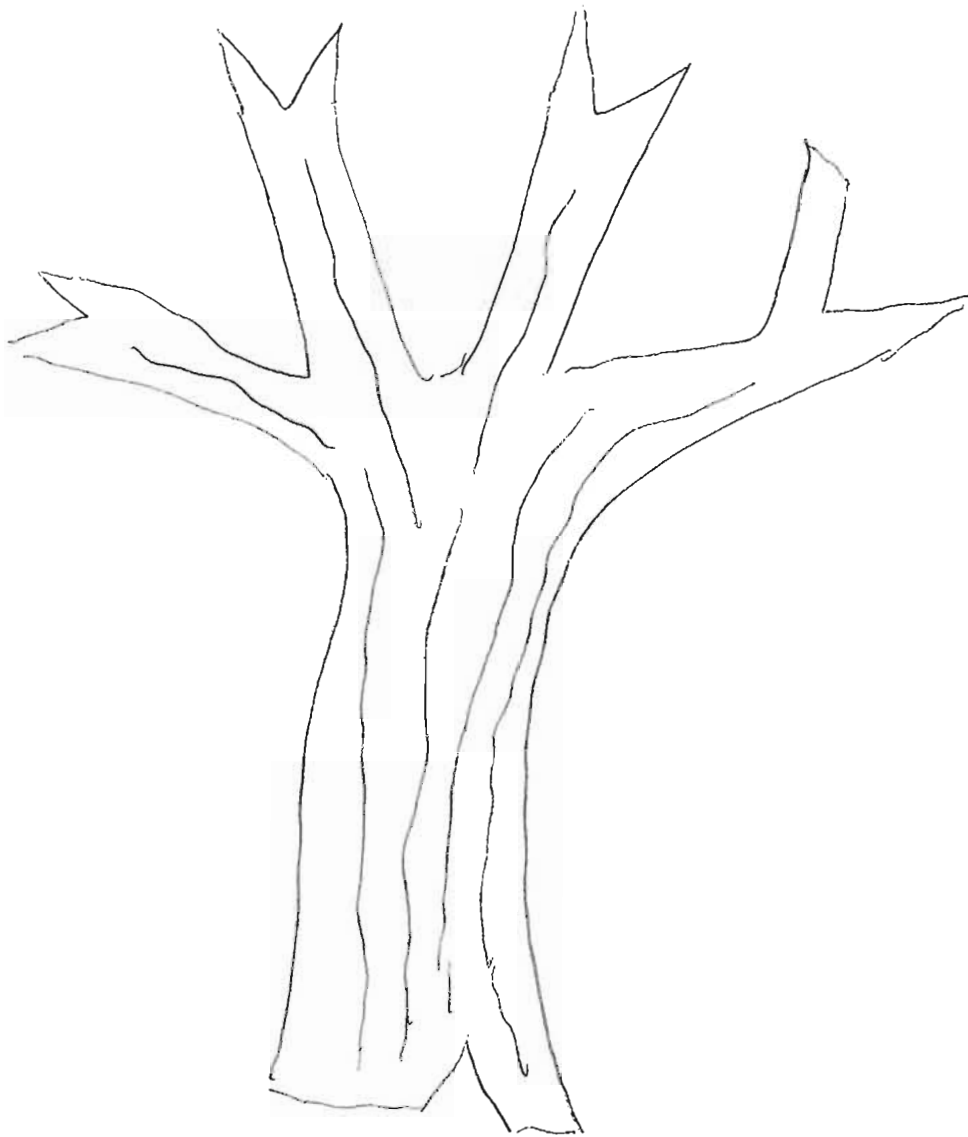
- Pre cut sheets of wax paper that are a tad bigger than 6x9
- Cut white construction paper into 6x9 pieces
- I save old crayons from the previous year. A few days prior to this project I have children each take home a red, yellow, orange and brown crayon in a snack baggie with a note that they need to peel their crayons and return them to do a "really cool" project for Friday. I don't use that many crayons, but I always have some children who don't bring them in, and peeling crayons is a great fine motor skill.

- I stamp the brown tree trunks because I want this to be a quick-non messy project. I like the stamp versus a paper cut out because it has a nicer look as I do a lot of other projects with die cuts.
- I bought my stamp at Michaels Craft store in October. I think they have a lot of “spooky” tree type stamps at that time so watch for them.
- Otherwise you can run off my tree on construction paper and either have a helper cut them out or your students.

The next day...

1. I plug my iron into an extension cord and set up a big table and chair away from the children’s table area.
2. I bring one of those table top ironing boards that you can put on a table, but if you don’t have one, a towel will work too.
3. Call 3 children up at a time to your work table and using a crayon sharpener have them shave their red, yellow, and orange crayons into 3 piles onto their small paper plate.
4. Whoever is done first stands next to you and sprinkles the crayon shavings on the top of the tree.
5. Do not put too much on as a little crayon shaving goes a long way!
6. Experiment yourself by making a few samples to show the children so you can gage how many sprinkles you want them to sprinkle.
7. Lay a piece of wax paper over the top.
8. Press an iron that is on warm on top of the wax paper for a few seconds.
9. Lift up and wahla instant fall leaf growth!
10. I love how my students ooh and ahh.
11. I sometimes add a little green crayon shavings too because we are discussing chlorophyll.
12. I write their name in the corner with an ink pen and the children put them in the drying area to completely cool.
13. They call on another child to take their place so I keep the “peeling” going on.
14. Hang on a wall, hang back-to-back or display on a b. board.

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Brown Construction Paper
Tree for
Crayon melt Fall-Colored
Tree



Dear Families,

We are doing an awesome autumn project at the end of the week that involves peeled crayons!

In your child's baggie you will find a red, yellow and orange crayon. Please have them peel the wrapper off and return them in the baggie on or before Friday.

This is a wonderful fine-motor skill that will help strengthen their finger muscles that aid in their writing ability.

Our awesome autumn art project is a "crayon-melt" fall tree! Wait 'til you see how lovely it is. Ask your child why the leaves turn color. They should be able to tell you all about chlorophyll!

Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Educationally Yours,





Crayon melt Fall-Colored Tree

Coffee Filter Watercolor Leaves

Background:

- This is another “Wow” QAP (quick art project)
- Make a leaf template and trace it on a coffee filter. I have an at-home helper cut them out, because the filters are so flimsy it is hard for a Y5 to cut and hold them at the same time.
- You can also buy awesome pre-cut maple leaves like the one pictured, from *Discount School Supply* They are one of my favorite Online craft suppliers.

Materials:

(discountschoolsupply.com)

- Coffee filters
- Watercolors
- Something to hold water in
- I use kitty or dog water dishes. They don't spill and hold plenty of water.
- Brushes
- Ink pen
- Black construction paper
- Scissors
- Glue stick

Directions:

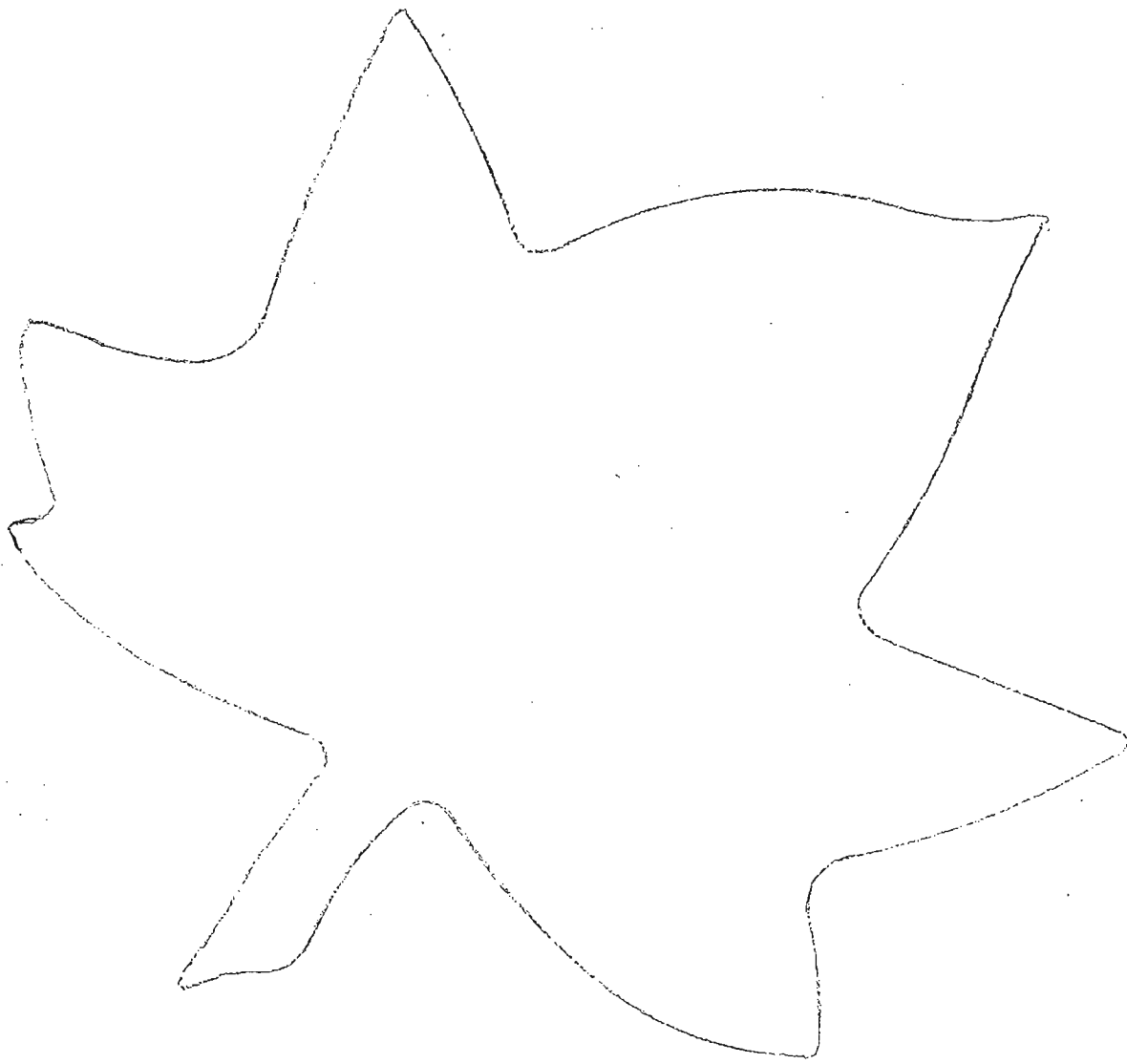
- I set this up as a watercolor center where 6 children can work at a time. I put 3 kitty dishes filled with water in the center and 4 watercolor sets down the middle.
- I write the students' names on the leaf in ink. It's a matter of opinion whether they turn out better if you spritz them with water first or not. I just tell my student to use plenty of water and they usually do. If the colors aren't running nicely, I just tell that child to use more water.
- I remind my students NOT to use purple or blue or black. And simply ask them if they have ever seen a purple, blue or black leaf.
- I make up a few samples a head of time and that helps.
- The children get down to business and really enjoy this center.
- When they are done, they take their leaf to the drying area.
- **Head's Up:** Have them carry it like a pizza or the colors will run off the filter, their leaf will look faded and you will have a mess on the floor.
- When the leaves are dry, I put a dab of glue on each corner and mount them on black construction paper. This really makes them “pop”.
- I hang them in a scattered arrangement on the 3 big windows in my classroom.



Coffee filter leaves

Coffee Filter Leaves

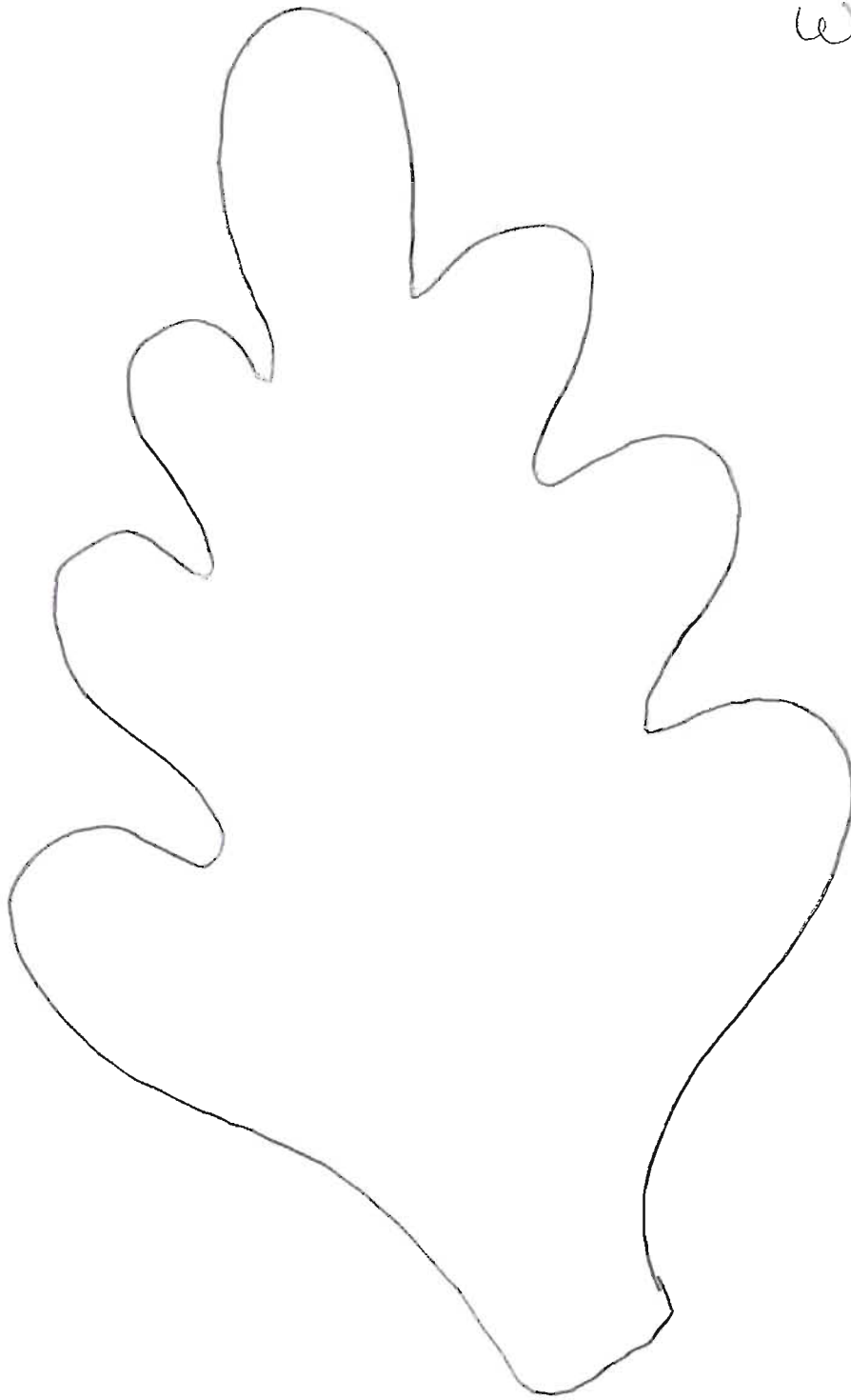




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Paint-Stamp Wallpaper Banners

Background:

- I'm always looking for "free" stuff that I can use in my classroom as well as stuff that I can recycle as I'm a real "Save the planet nut".
- Wallpaper books serve a dual purpose as they cover both. I just pop in to wallpaper places or paint stores who usually sell wall coverings as well and ask if I can have their discontinued wallpaper books or buy them.
- Most places when they learn that I'm a teacher give them to me. Some places like *Menards* sell them for \$2. It's cheap paper as far as I'm concerned. I especially like the "textured fabric" type sheets. They are perfect for banners. I use the borders for cards, and I use the plain prints in the die cut machines, they are great for die cutting butterflies, chrysalises, kites, teepees, dinosaurs and other things that need that textured look.
- Simply rip the pages out of the wallpaper book and cut them into an appropriate size.
- Hole punch two holes in the top and tie with some yarn and you have a beautiful banner. This is another "Wow" project that's pretty goof proof. People passing by can't believe my Y5's did these; they look that good!
- You can see how cool the textured fabric looks on the photo! Most hobby and craft stores have the leaf stamps for only .59¢ to .99¢ I bought one of every kind.

Materials:

- Wallpaper book
- Hole punch
- Yarn
- Fall-colored paint
- Leaf stamps
- Pinking shears if you have them. (Looks great for the bottom of the banner.)
- Paint shirts
- Sponge brushes
- Paper plates

Directions:

Prep: Punch holes in the tops of the banners.

1. I set this up as a center.
2. The different color paints are on paper plates with a brush on each plate.
3. I write their name on the bottom right-hand side of the banner.
4. They put on a paint shirt, but they really don't get dirty.
5. The children PAT paint on each stamp and press it onto the banner.
6. They set their banner aside to dry.
7. When they are dry we tie bows and a loop hanger.
8. They look great hanging back-to-back suspended from the ceiling. Some years I just send them home because the children are so excited with the amazing results.



