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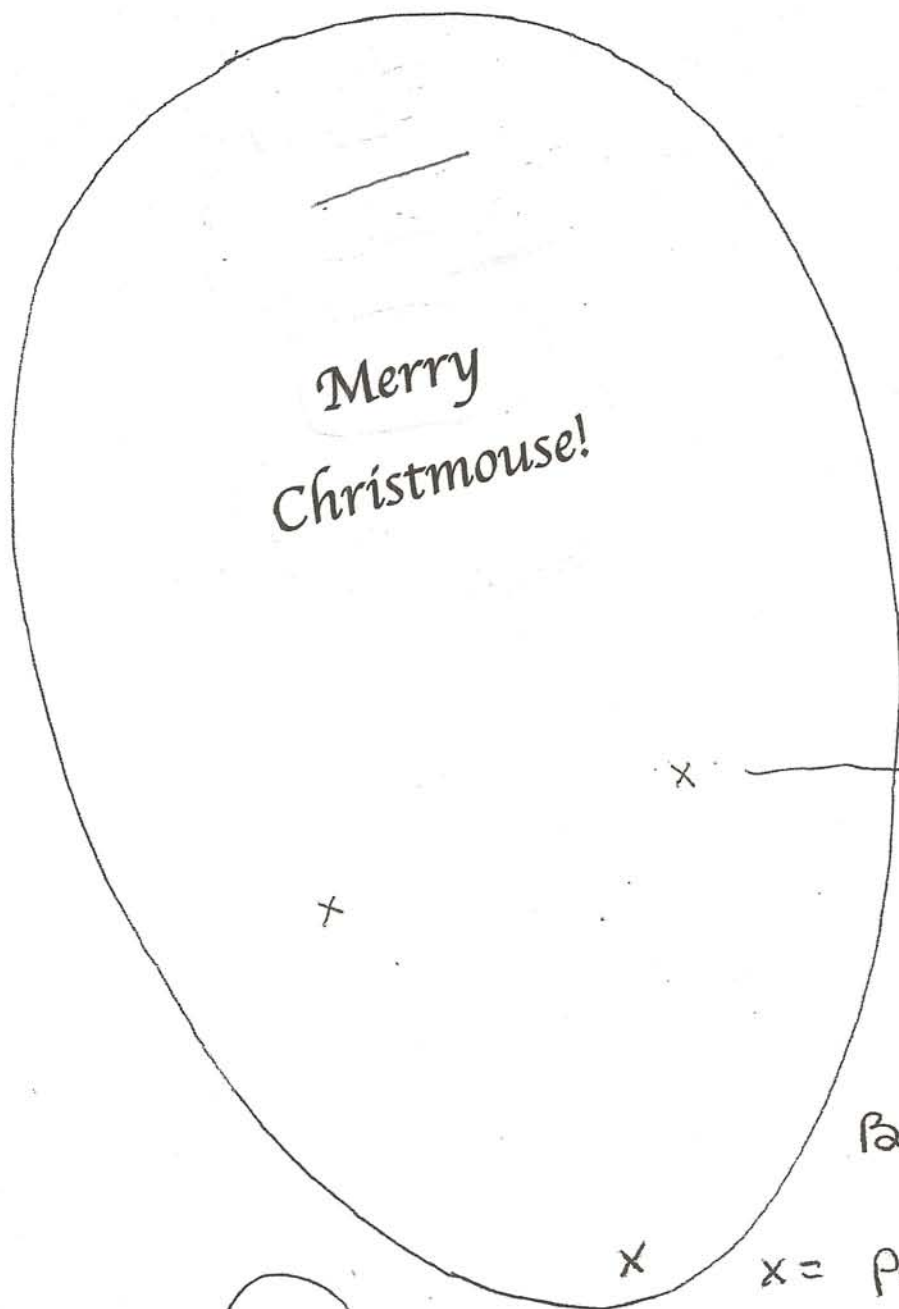
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#### **Materials:**

- Red, green, white or gray construction paper. A patterned gray, silver or metallic wallpaper looks sharp as well.
- Pink, red, or green pom poms for the nose. These can be dime or nickel size both look cute.
- Wiggle eyes both small and medium size look nice. I like the larger size, especially if you're using the bigger poms for the nose.
- Glue dots for the eyes and nose
- Glue sticks for the ears
- Scissors
- Scotch tape to fasten candy canes to the back
- Candy canes. I like to use a flavor other than peppermint because most of my Y5's do not like peppermint so I get bubblegum or cherry.

#### **Directions:**

1. Use my template or if you want two bodies on a page make a mouse body template out of card stock, trace it to make a master and run off the template on a Duplo.
2. Make a template of the heart ears. Depending on the age of your students either run off a sheet of ears and have students cut their own, or have them pre-cut by a room helper. If you want to expedite things it's nice to have this step pre-done as well.
3. Children cut out their body, fold the point of their heart ears up and glue to the head of their mouse.
4. Whenever I have a glue-dot step, I have students come up to the glue-dot table and I assist them one-on-one. They pick up their wiggle eyes and pom pom nose (you could give them choices) and then stick them to their mouse.
5. You could also cut the slit and have them insert their candy cane at this point.
6. Give them a piece of Scotch tape and have them tape their candy cane in place on the back of their mouse.
7. If you want your students to be able to use this as a Christmas ornament, you can make the mouse body smaller. Simply shrink it on your copier, and use the smaller wiggle eyes and pom poms. I think the large candy canes still look nice, but you could also buy the smaller candy canes.



— Slit to  
insert candy  
Cane tail

ears

Body

x = pom pom Nose



Ears

fold

merry Christ mouse!

I like a gray  
mouse with a  
pink Nose,  
but green &  
red are  
cute too!  
Wallpaper  
looks sharp  
as well!