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Welcome to the fourth edition of **Apple Bytes!**

Apple Bytes is **TeachWithMe.com's** monthly newsletter and teaching packet for subscription members only.

It's a "taste" of the themes for the month. A nice bonus in your mailbox filled with a little bit of this and that. I hope you enjoy it!

I design this especially for you, so please let me know what you'd like in the form of skill sheets, helpful forms, borders for stationery, themes, words for word cards etc. diane@teachwithme.com

This month's themes:

- Mother's Day
- Flowers
- Frogs
- Bees

Make the **"My Book Of Flowers"** an even cuter keepsake by printing a copy of your classes' school photo. Cut each child's photo into an oval and have them glue it to one of the flowers on the last page.

To add even more pizzazz, make this page 3-dimensional. Run off a few extra copies on white construction paper. Cut out the individual flowers and give each child one. Have them glue their photo to that flower. Fold a ½ inch by 3-inch strip of construction paper into a square and then using a glue dot, put that square on the back of the construction paper-photo flower and then glue it to a matching flower on the page. It will be higher than the rest of the flowers and seem to "pop off" the page.

You could also tie a ribbon or yarn bow and staple it to the paper. Make sure your students write I♥U and then sign their names. If you do decide to make a 3-D bow, you could cut up an index card and have them sign the above message on that, punch a hole in the card and tie it to the bow for that extra special-finishing touch! ☺

When everyone has completed their booklet, make sure to read it together a few times, so that students can take it home and read it to their mommies! What a wonderful gift and self-esteem builder!

Laminate the bee buzzing around the upper and lower case alphabet flower-puzzle cards. Cut them apart and use them as a center activity or something to do when children have finished other work. Include a dry erase marker so they can trace the letters as well.

I've also included a blank set so that you can make puzzles for numbers (dots to numbers, sequence counting, skip counting,) as well as shape words to shapes. Make a set to use in your classroom, as well as a set to send home with struggling students.

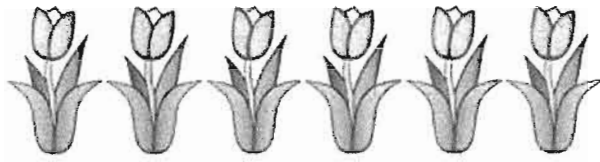
You could also make an individual puzzle for each of your students by putting their initial on the small flower and their school photo on the bee's head on one side and their name on the large flower on the other side! Laminate the cards for a wonderful keepsake.

I hope you have a marvelous May and if you're a mom, I wish you a peaceful and relaxing Mother's Day!

Educationally Yours,
Diane Henderson ☺



May



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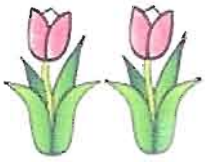


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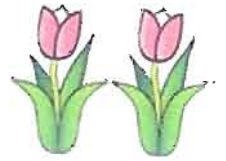
A detailed black and white line drawing of a cluster of daisies. The flowers have multiple layers of white petals and bright yellow centers. They are surrounded by green, serrated leaves and several unopened flower buds. The drawing is positioned in the upper right corner of the page.

A detailed black and white line drawing of a cluster of daisies. The flowers have multiple layers of white petals and bright yellow centers. The leaves are green and serrated. The drawing is positioned on the left side of the page.

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May To Do List



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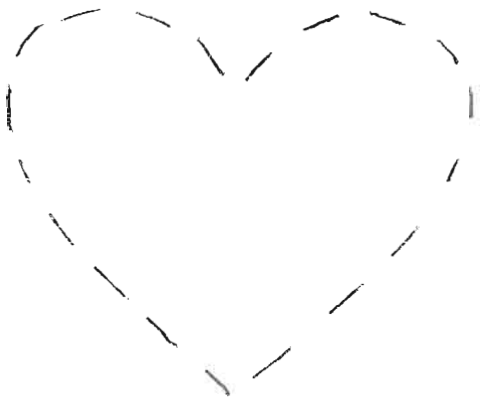


TRACE the sentence and then WRITE it. Use 2 DIFFERENT colors in an ABAB pattern. TRACE the heart at the bottom and then DRAW your own next to it.

Happy Mother's Day!

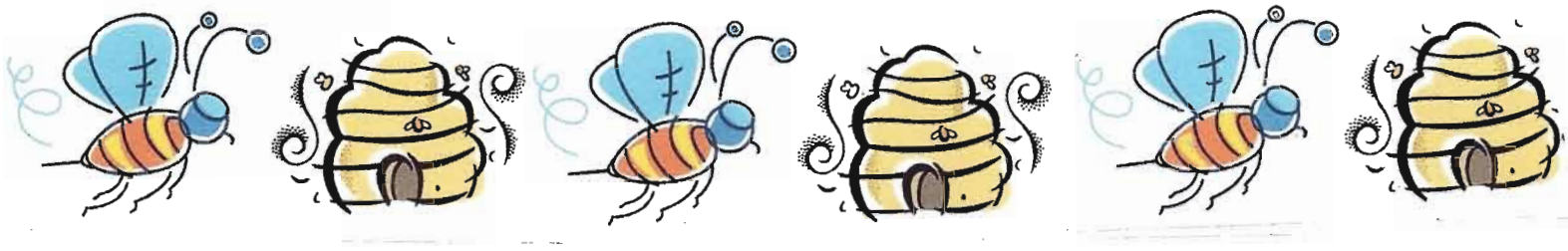
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What's the buzzzzzz?





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I was caught bee-ing good!



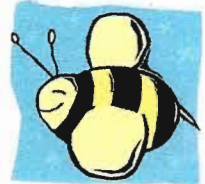
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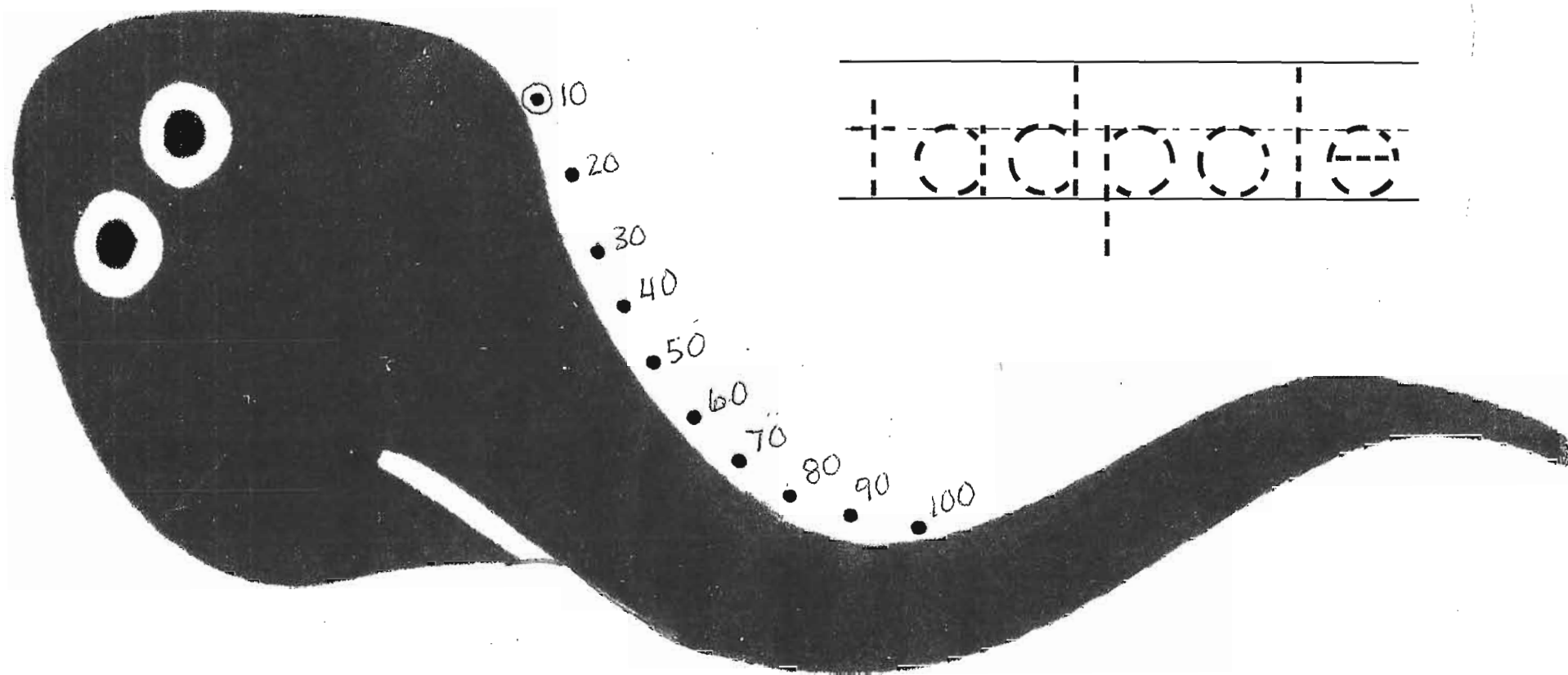
Connect the dots and count by 5's.























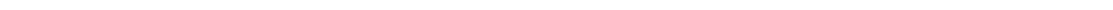

Connect the dots and count by 10's.

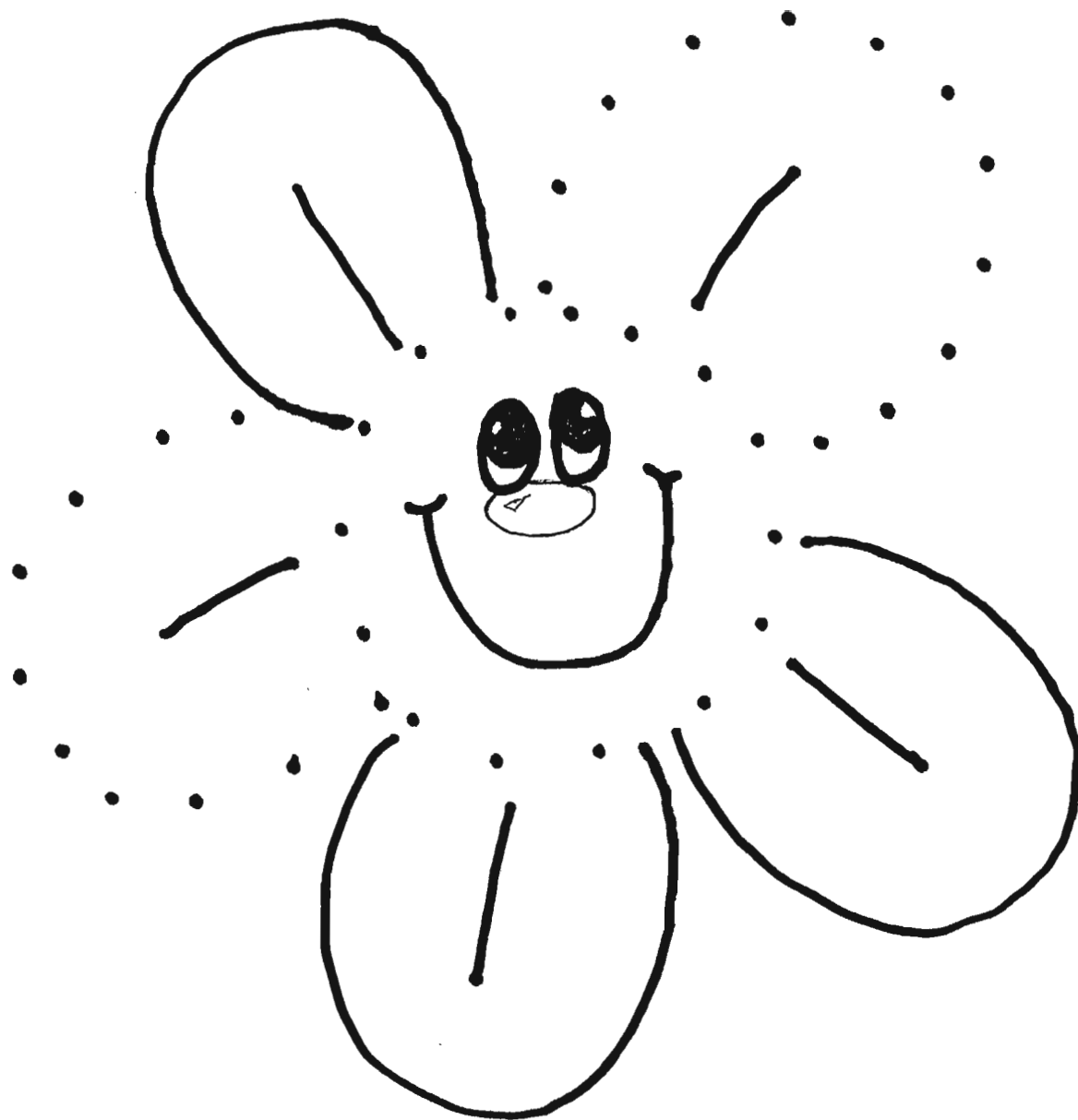
TRACE the word.



How many frogs?

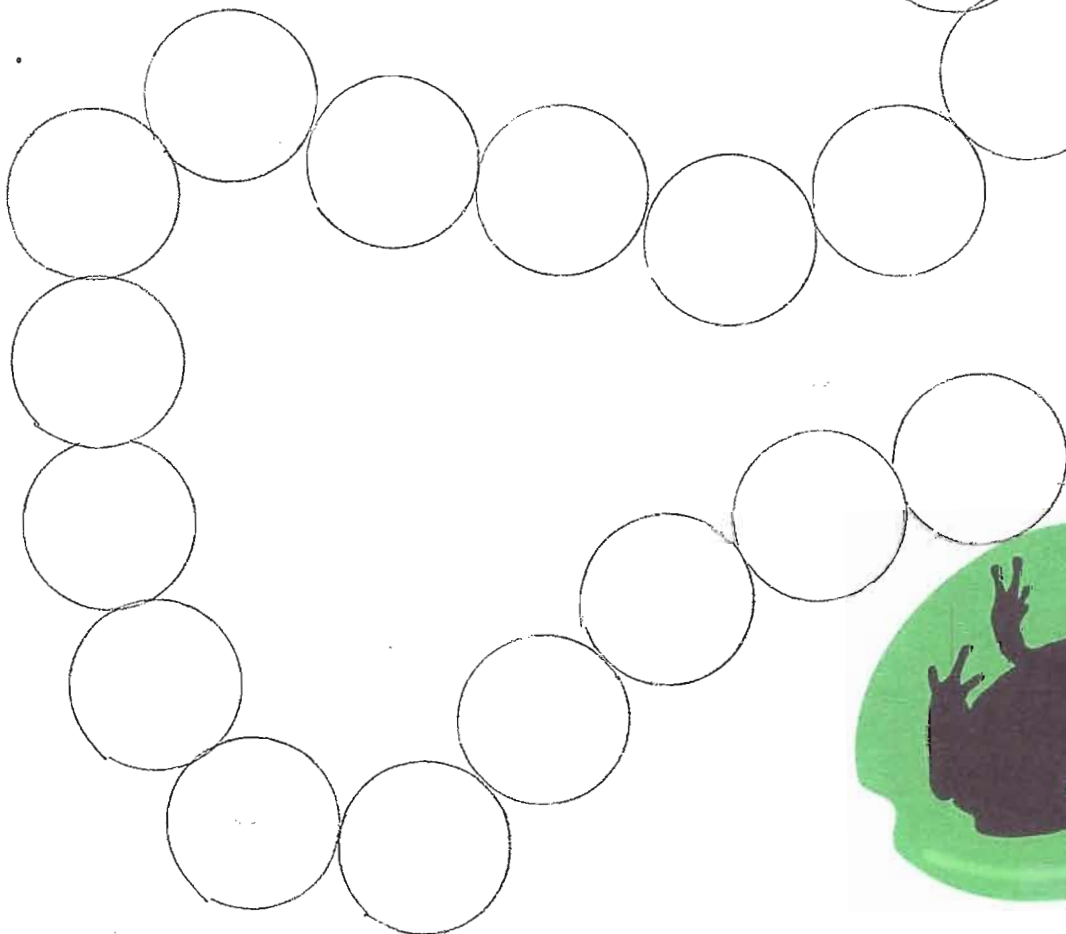
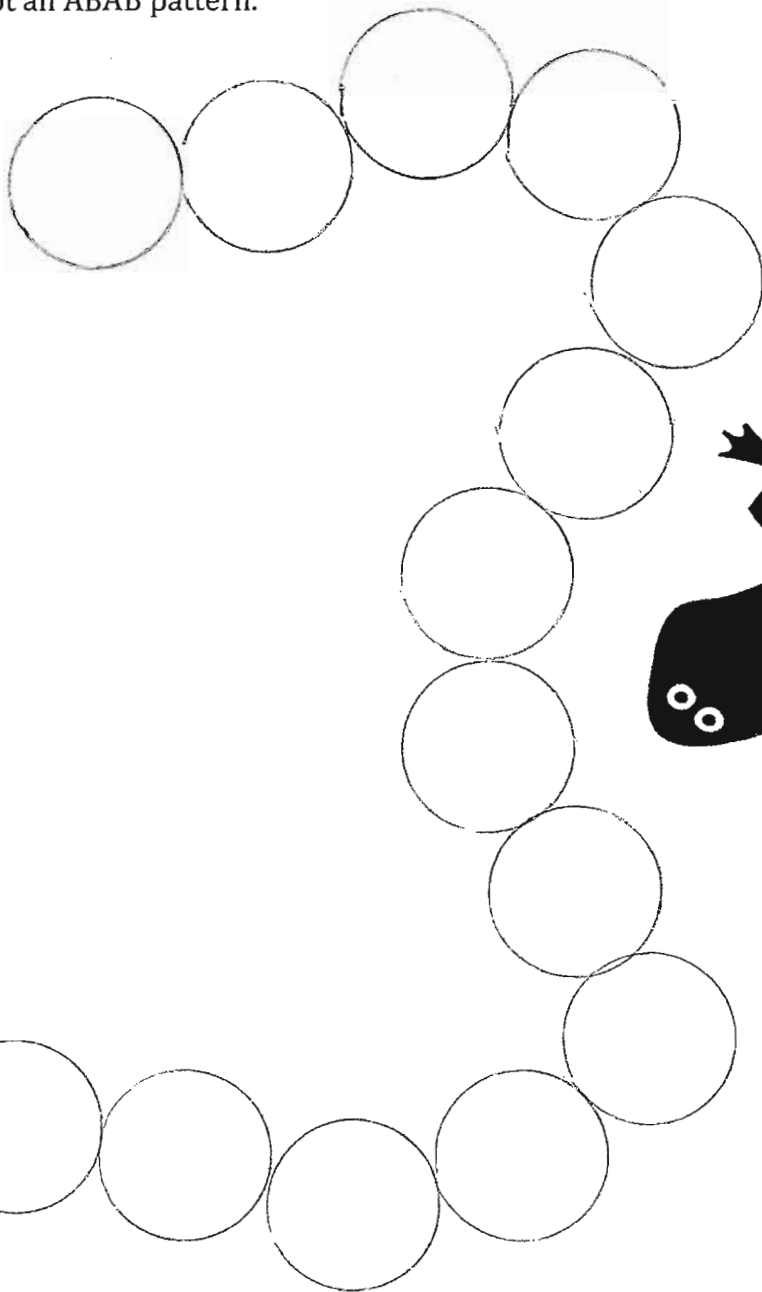
Add and subtract the frogs. Write the answer on the line.

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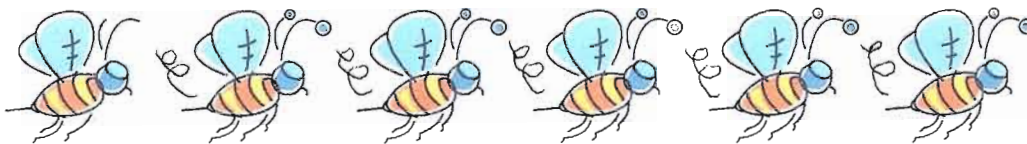
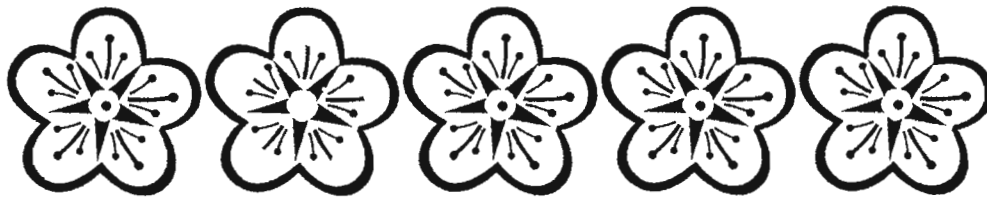


Pinch & Poke

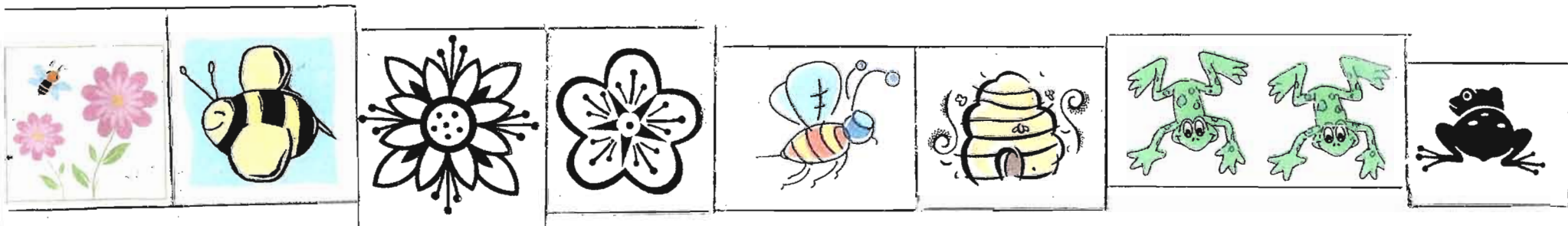
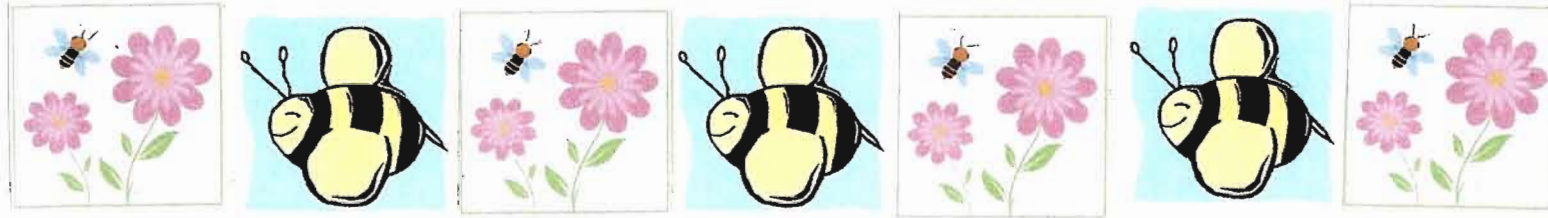
Choose two colors and bingo dot an ABAB pattern.
From tadpole to frog.



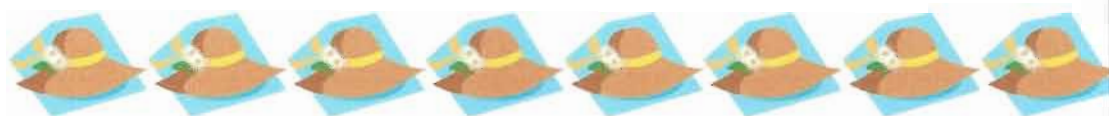
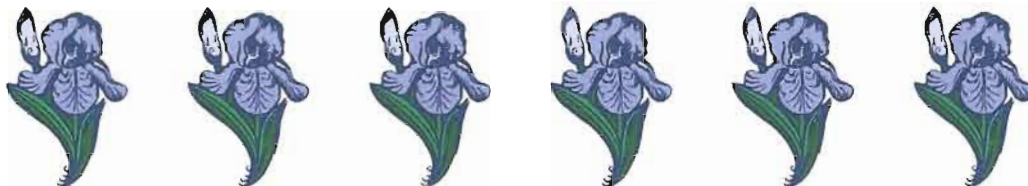
There is a spy in each line, one that is different. Find the spy and “zap” it with an X.



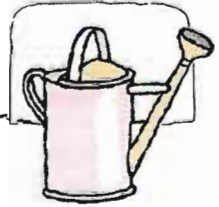
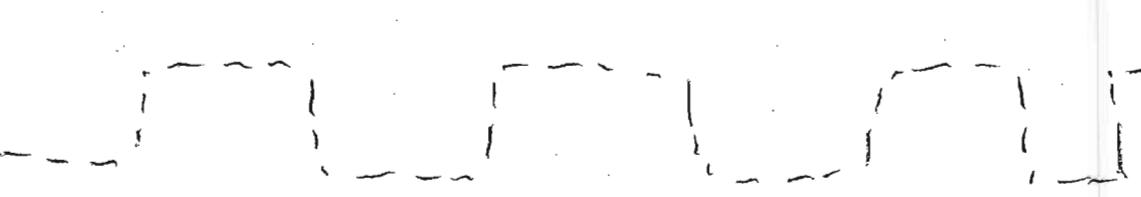
Complete the pattern.



COUNT the objects and then WRITE the number.

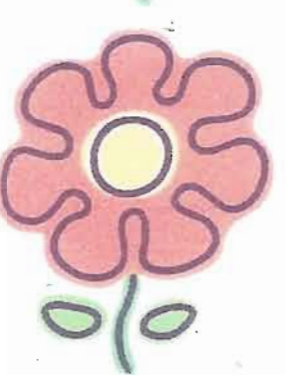
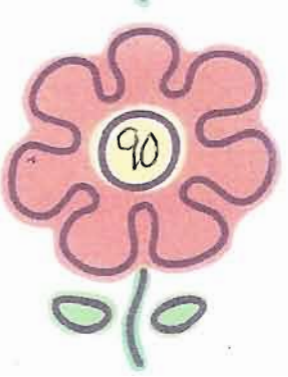


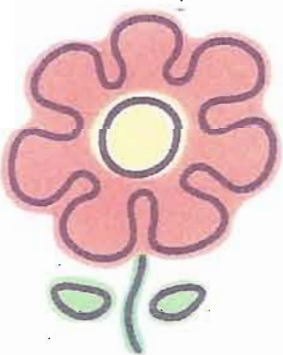
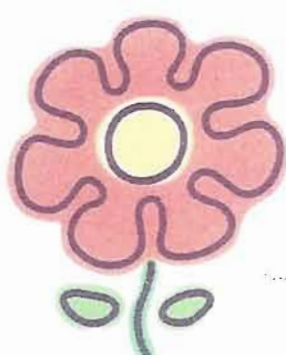
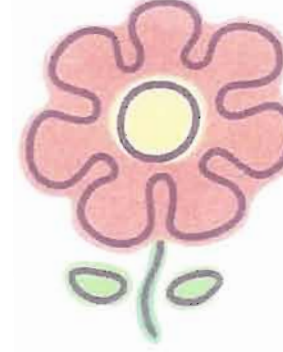
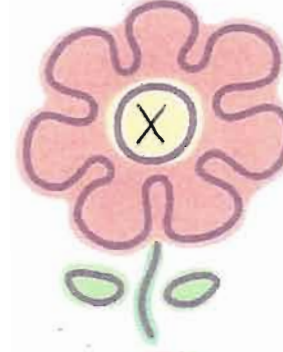
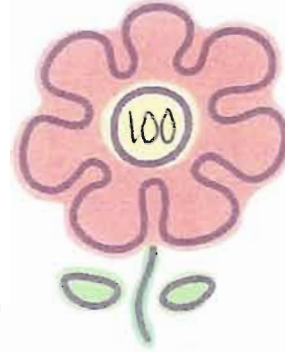
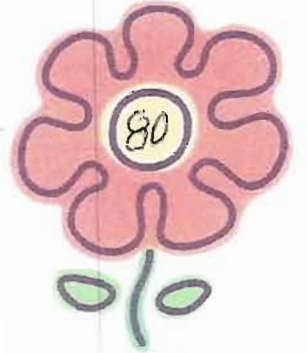
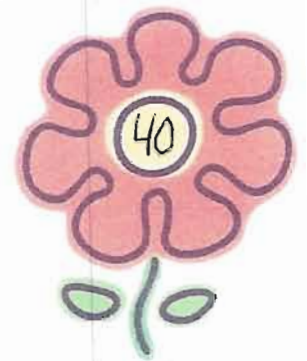
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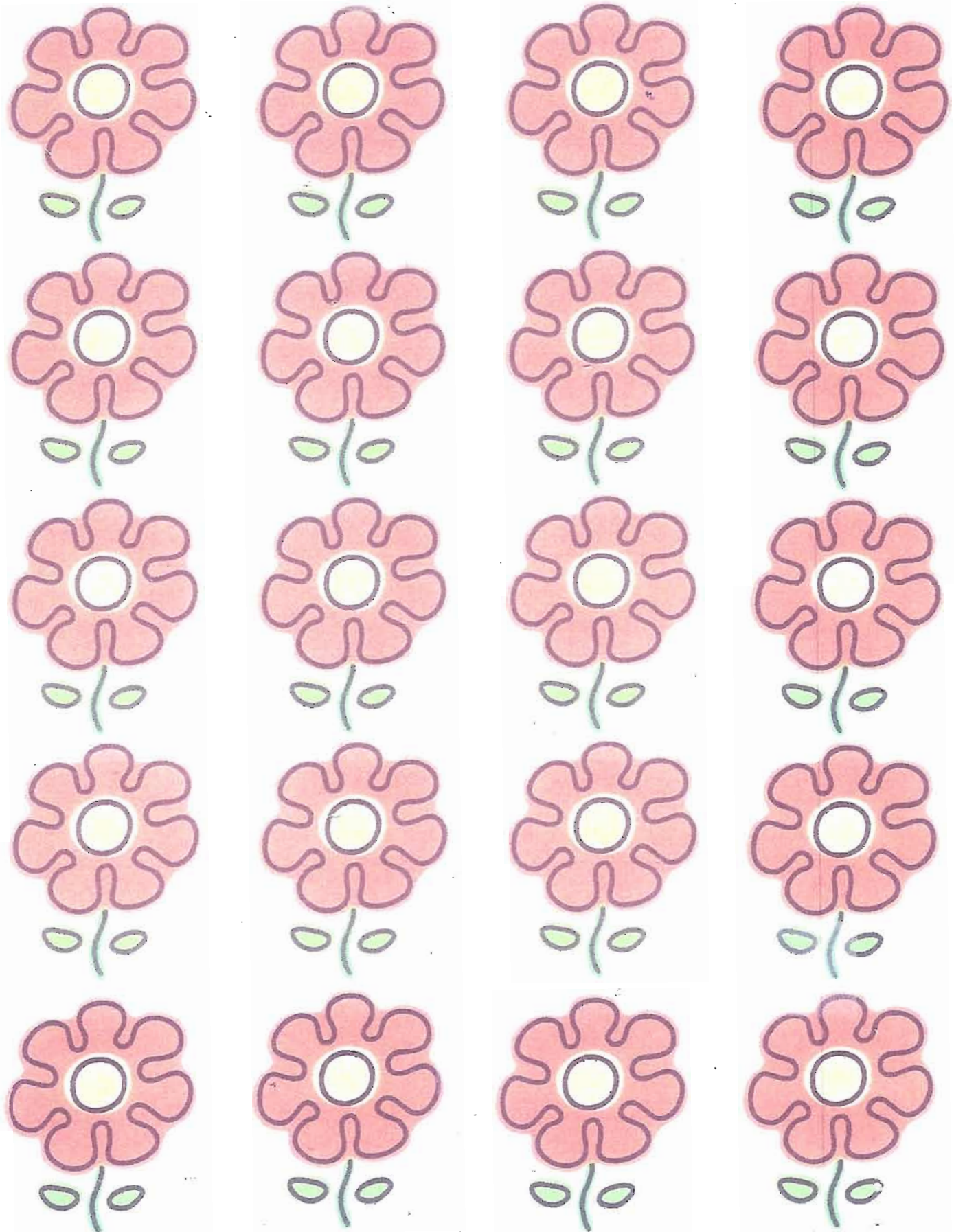


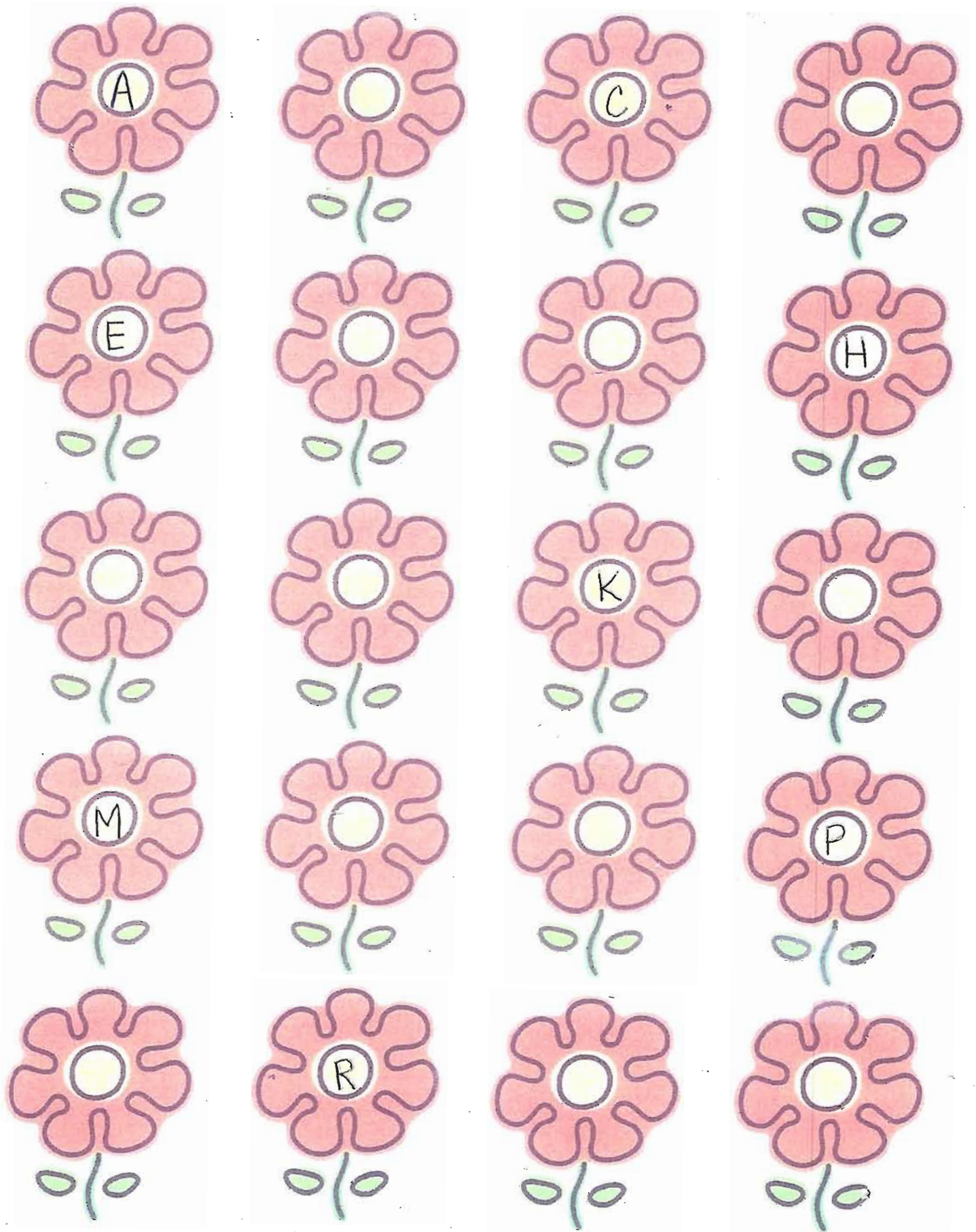


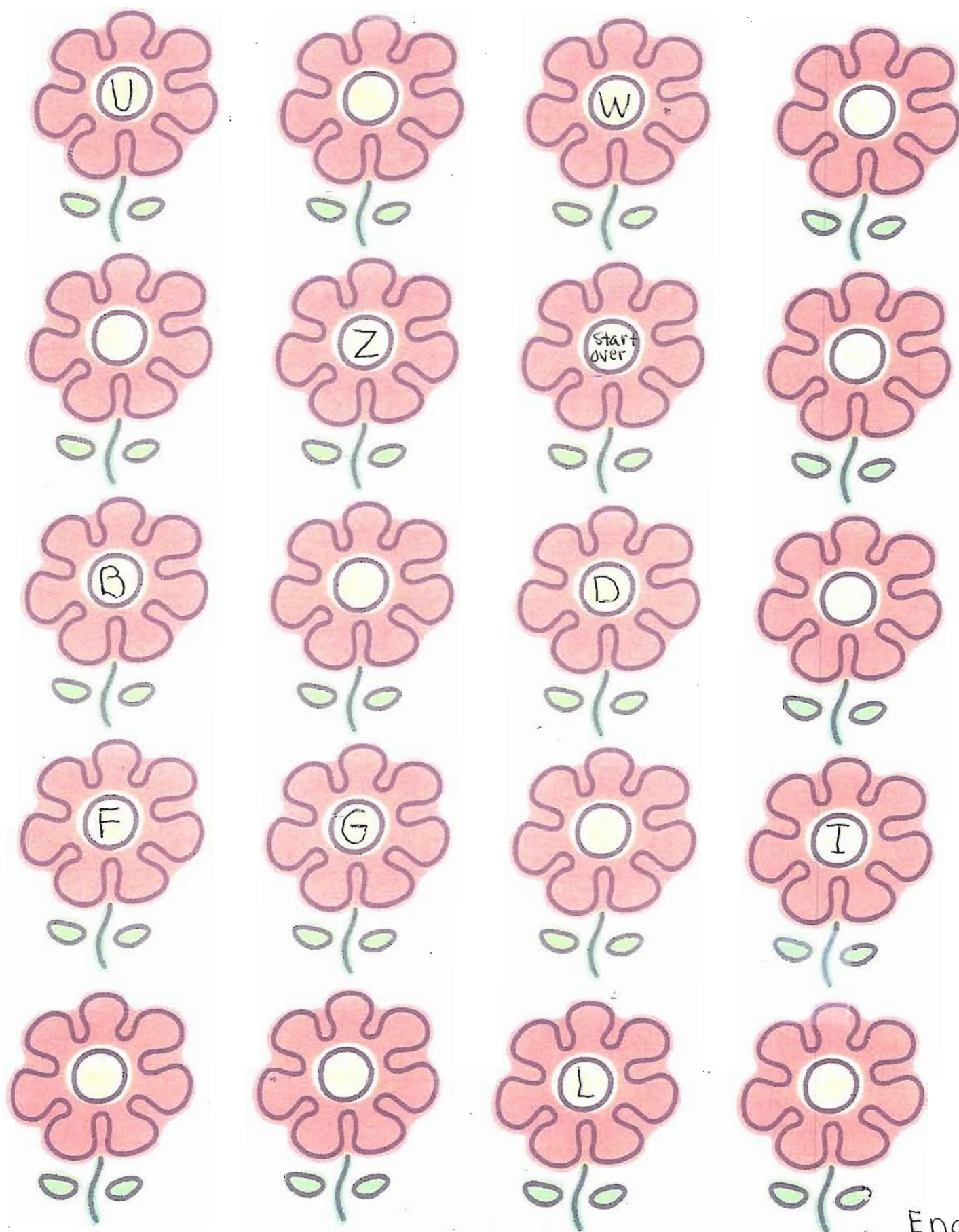
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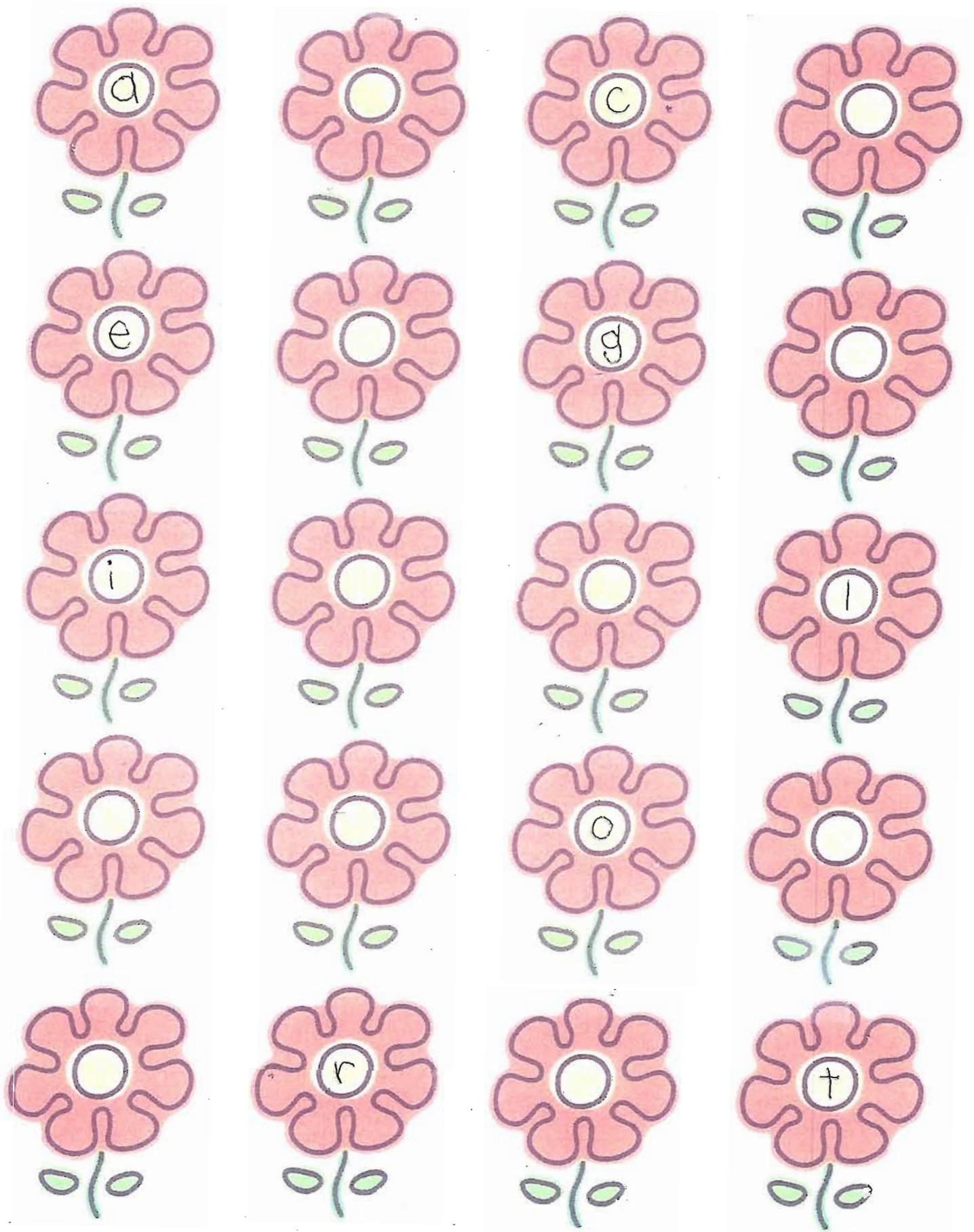


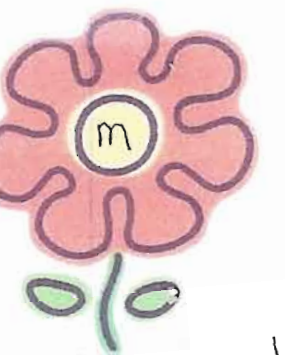
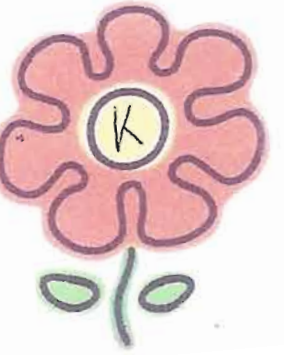
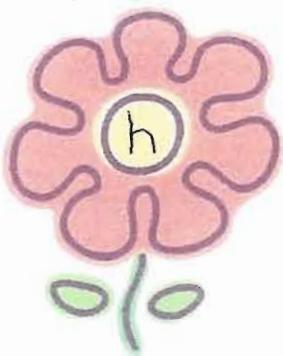
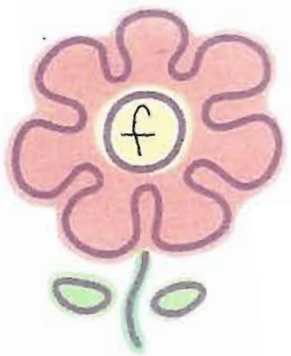
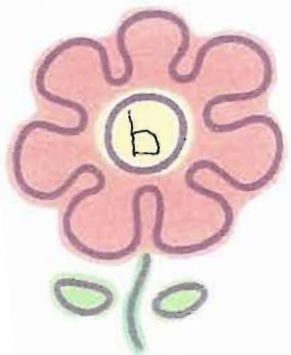
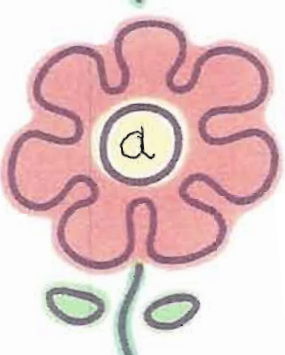




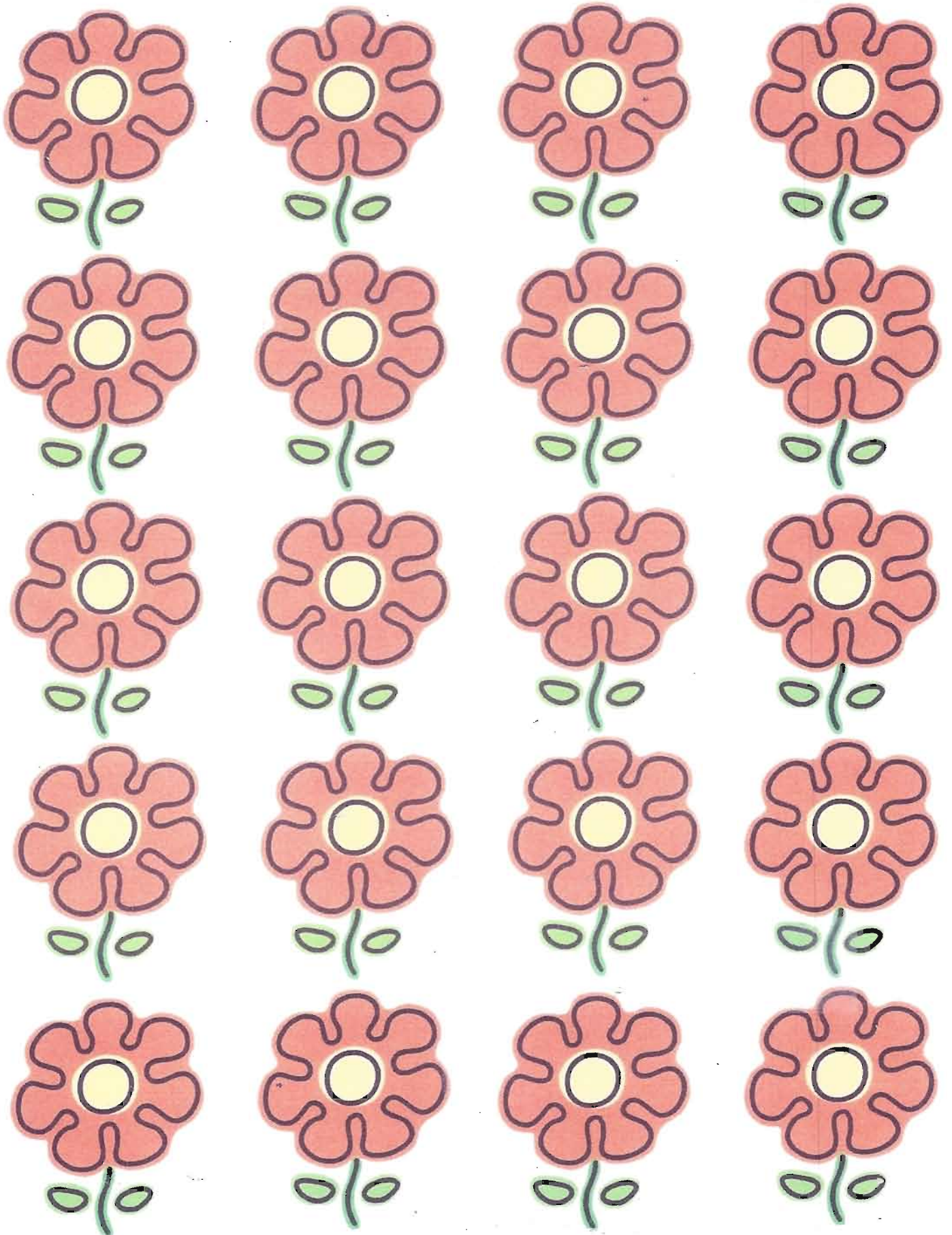


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Has really blossomed!
Keep up the great work habits!

Teacher: _____

Date: _____



_____ has done wonderful work this week! Congratulations!



_____ has done wonderful work this week! Congratulations!

Challenge word flashcards for May

May	mother
happy	day
spring	flower
frog	love
hugs	kisses

Challenge word flashcards for May

bee

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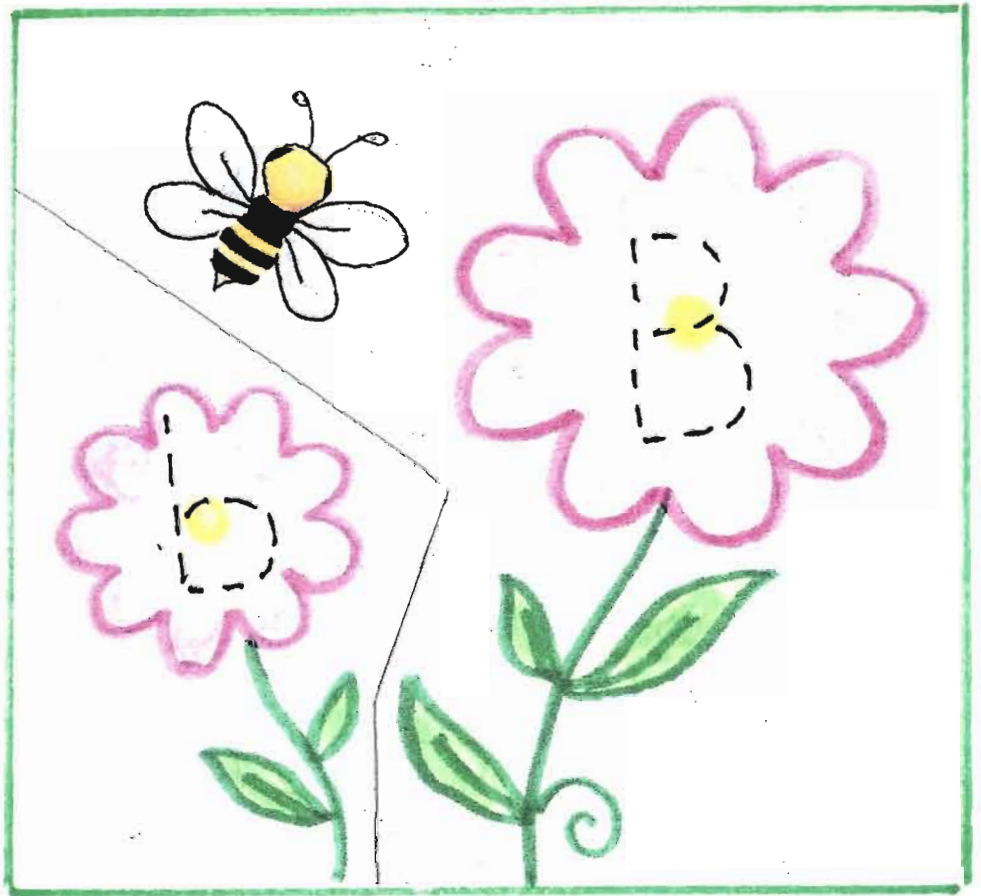
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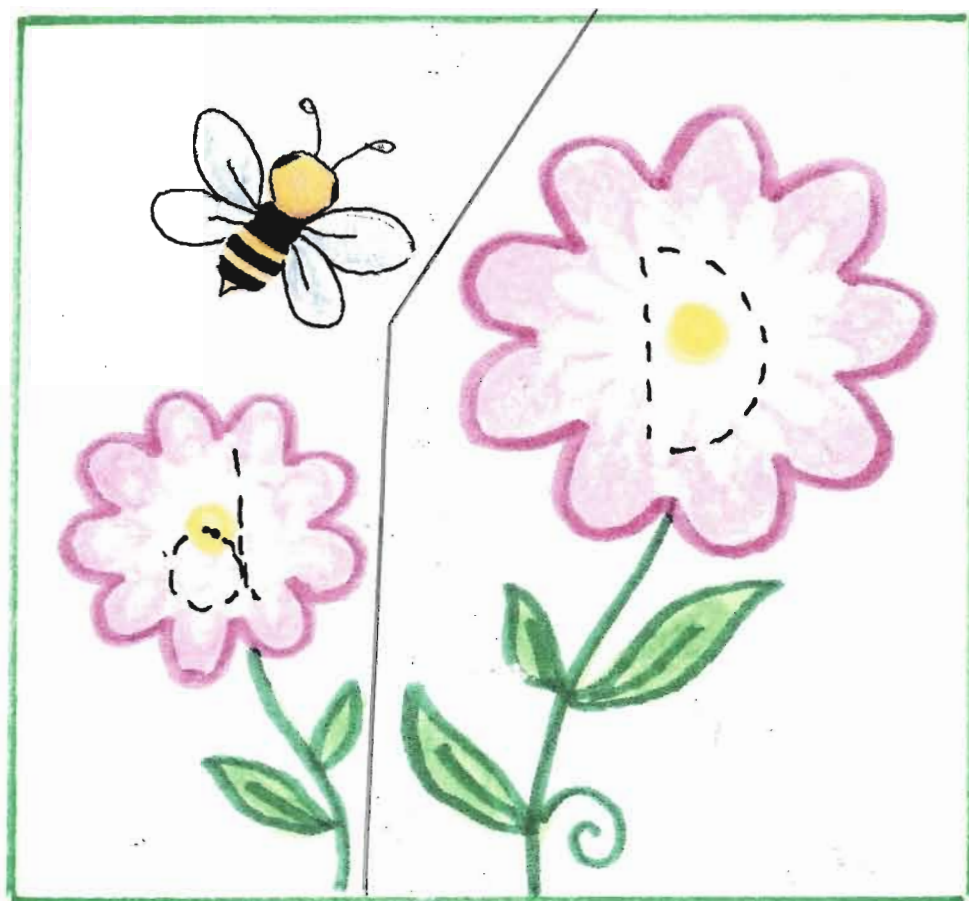
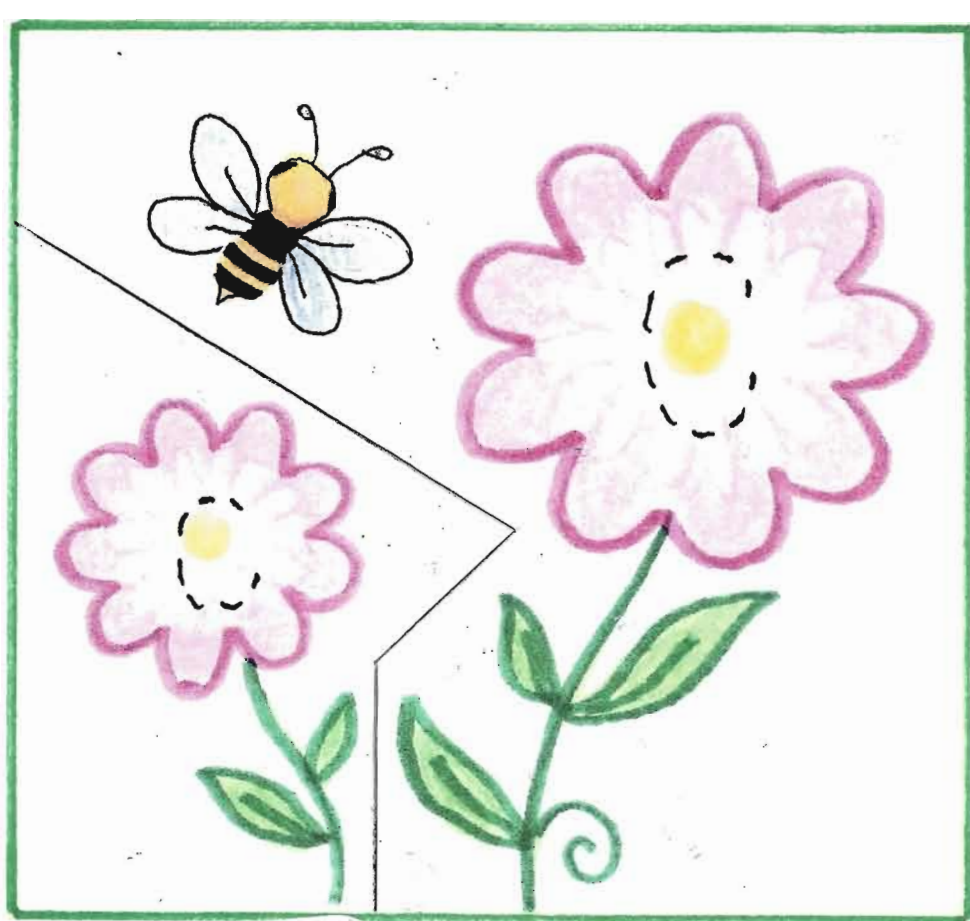
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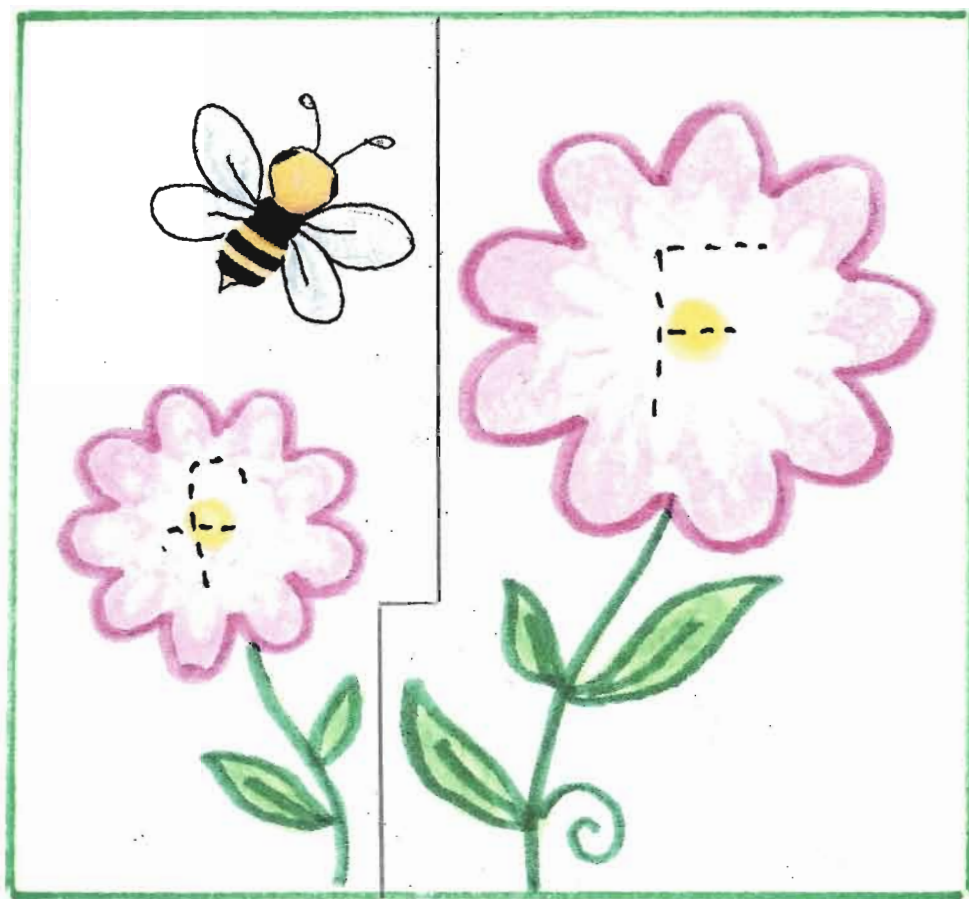
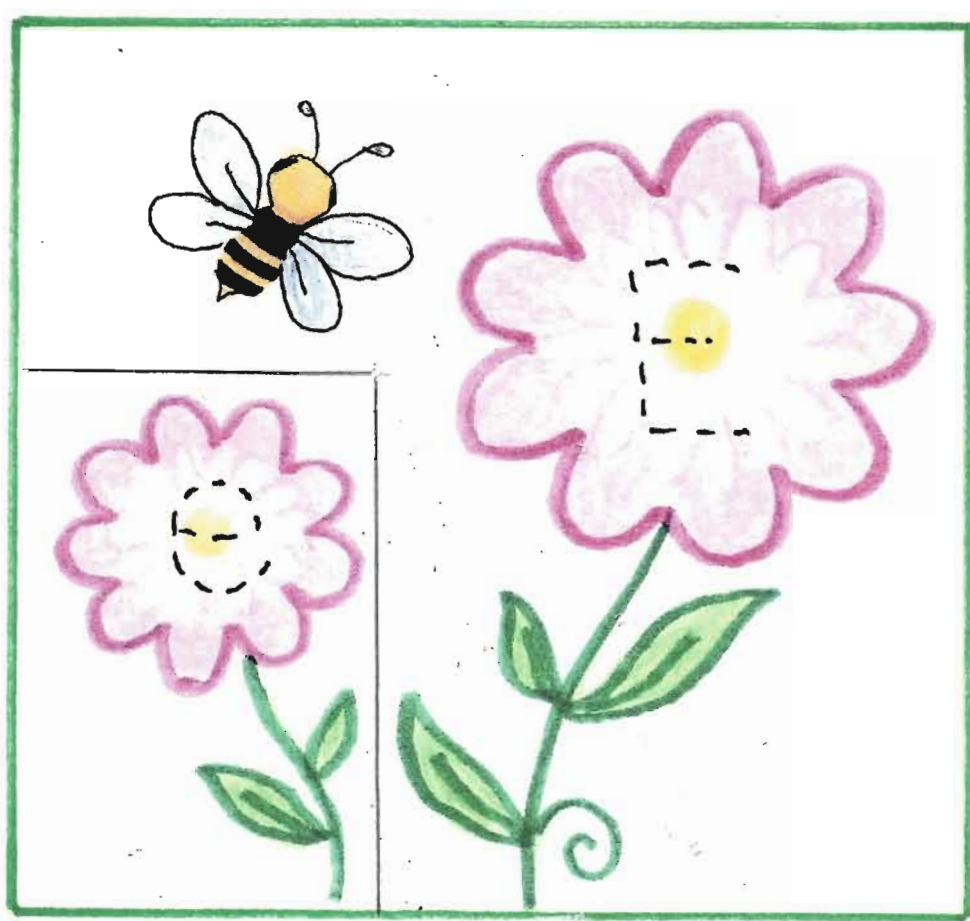


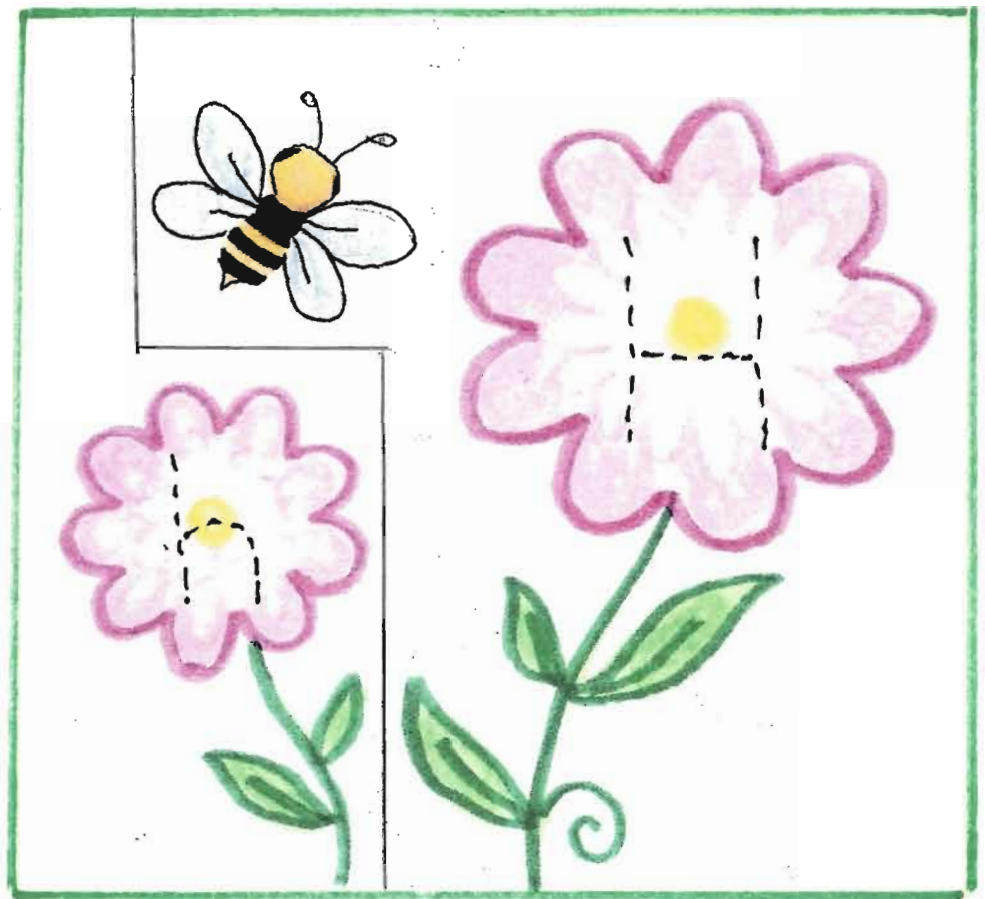
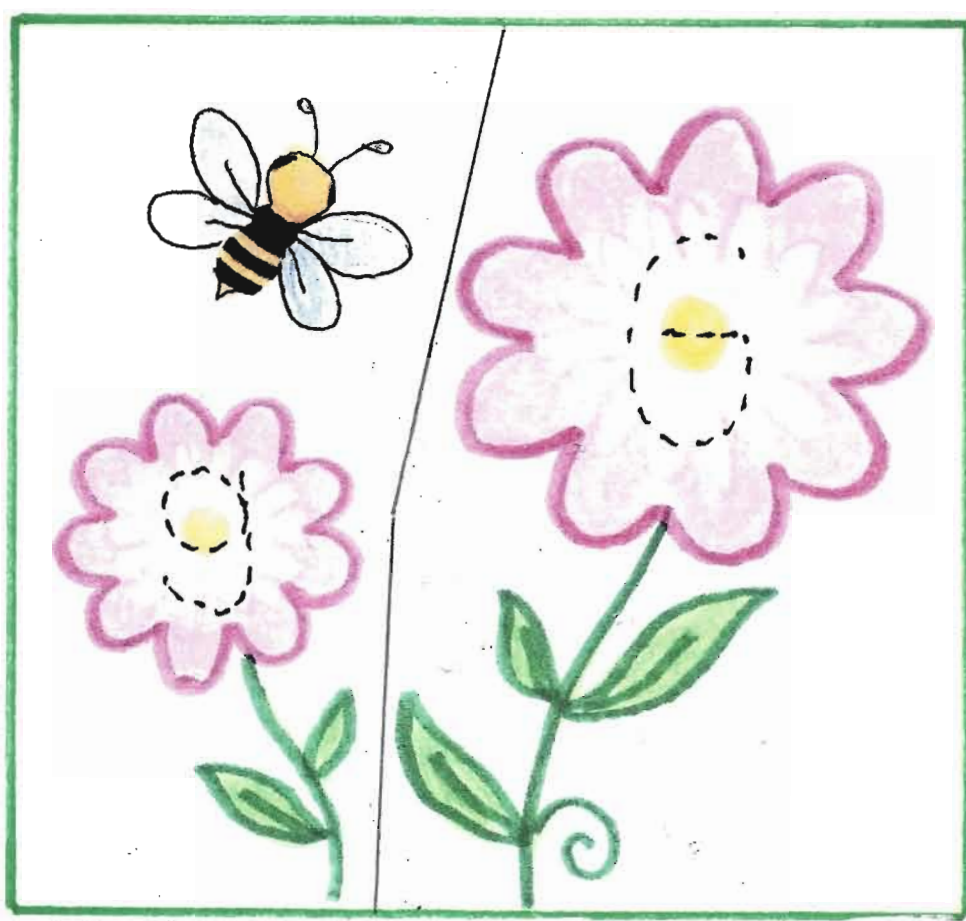
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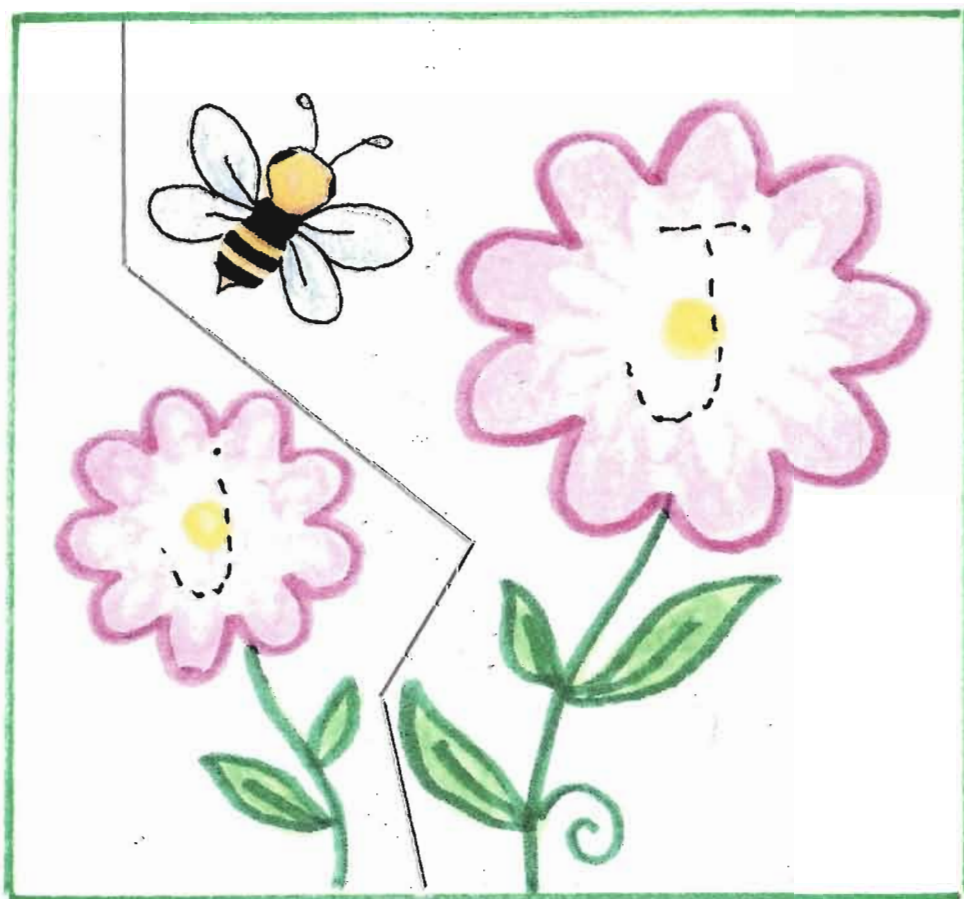
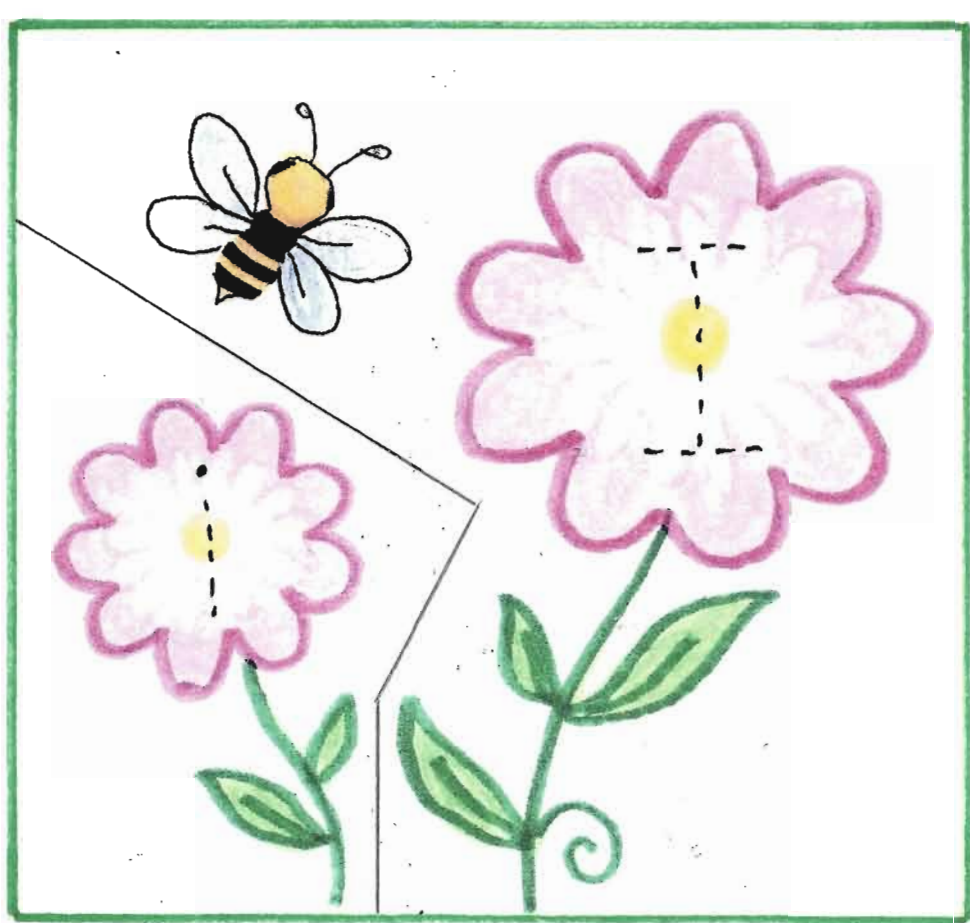
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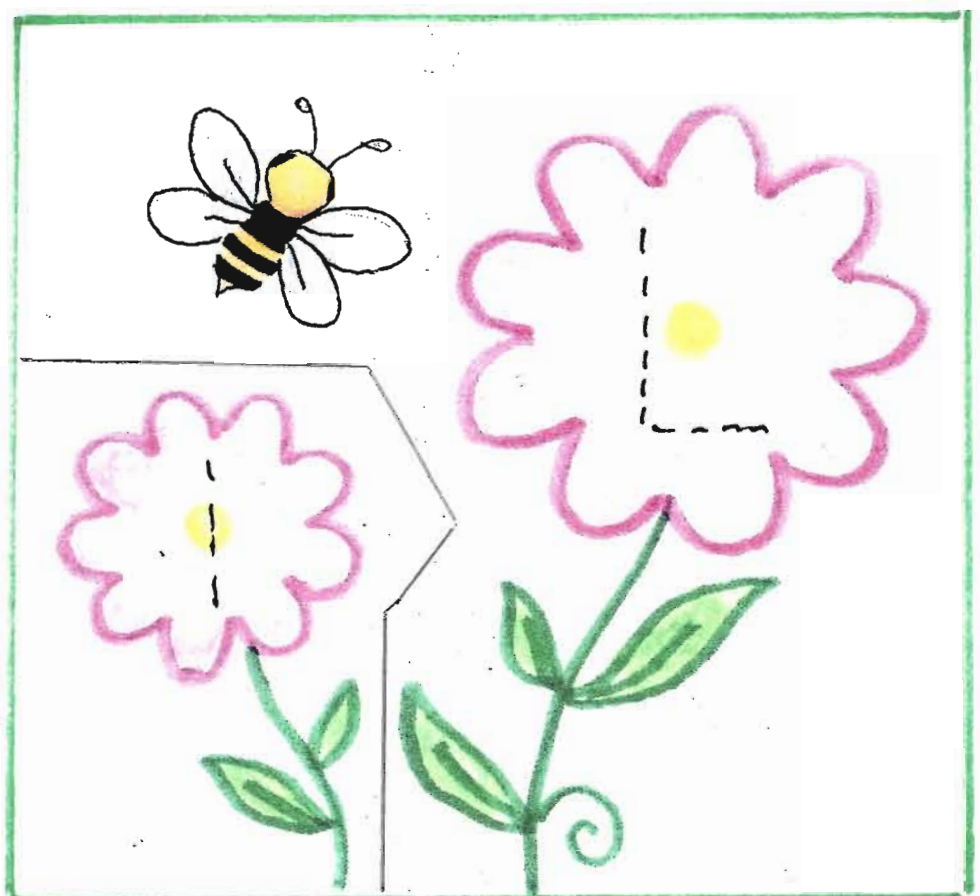
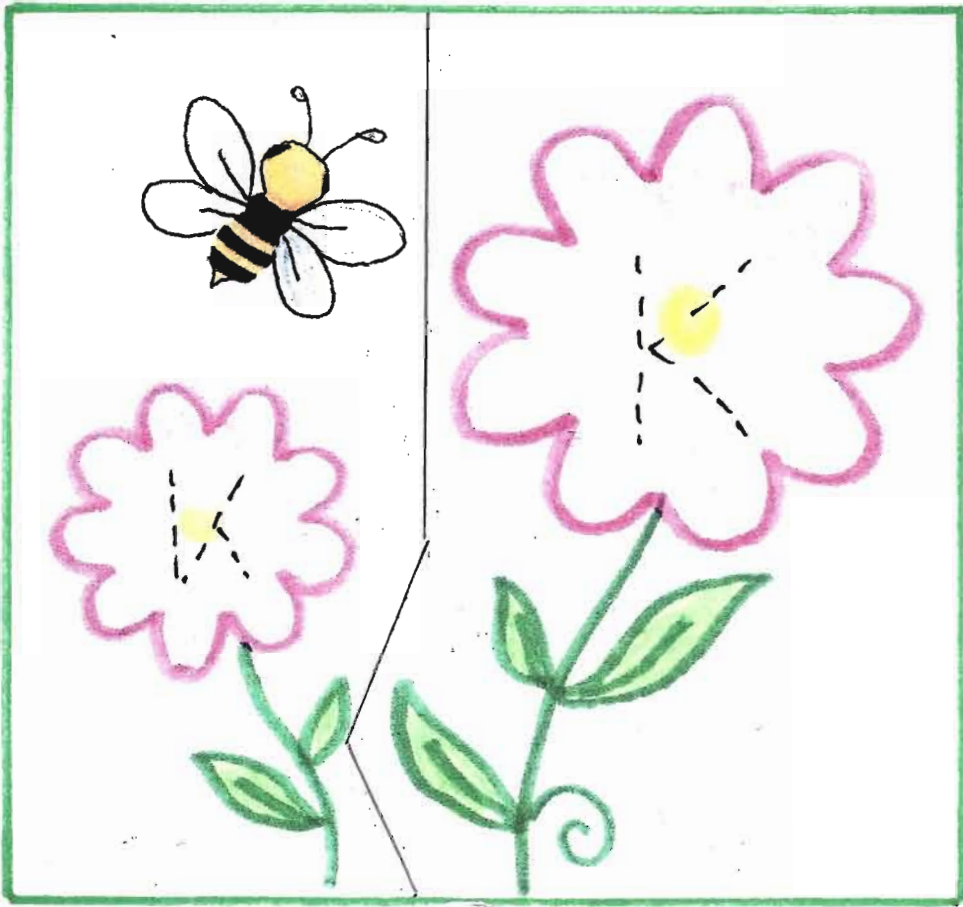


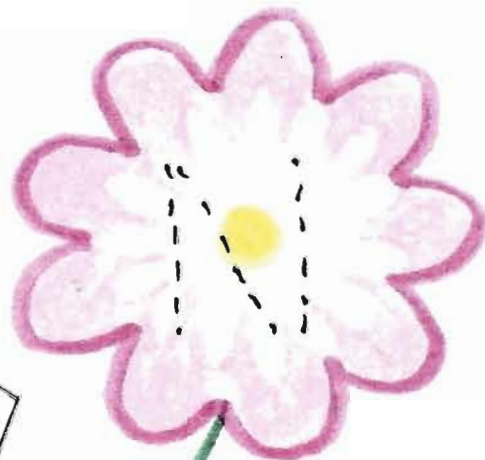


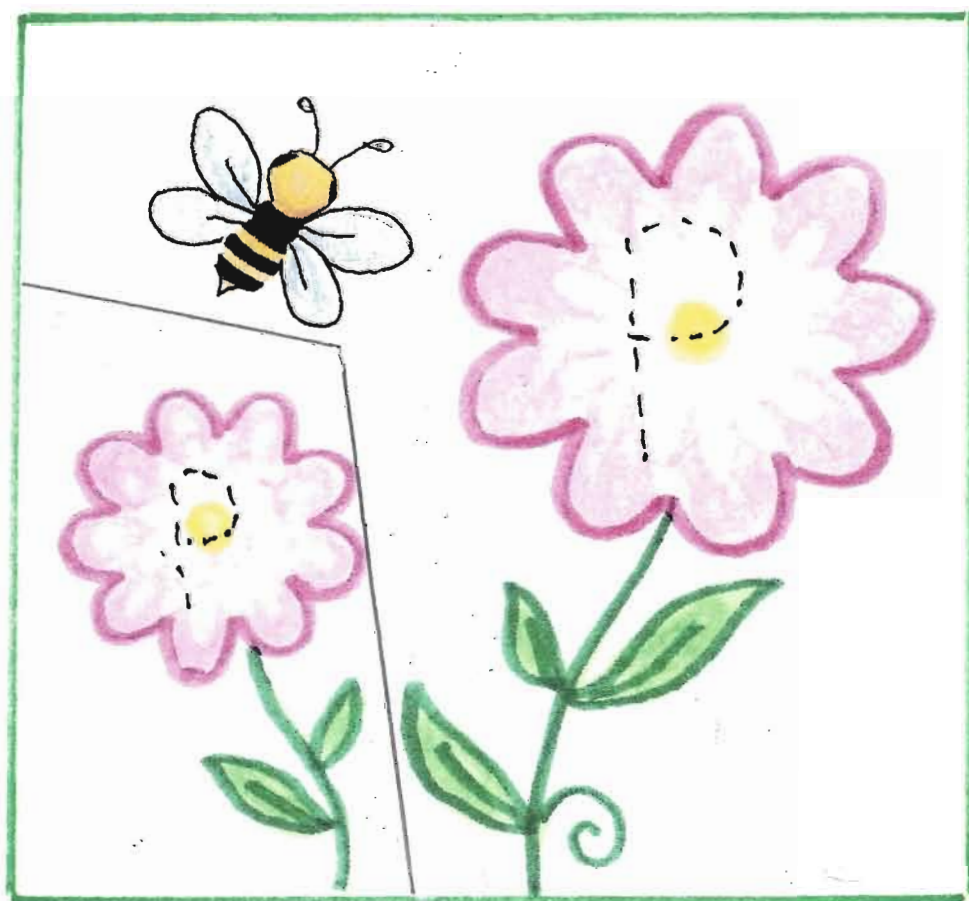




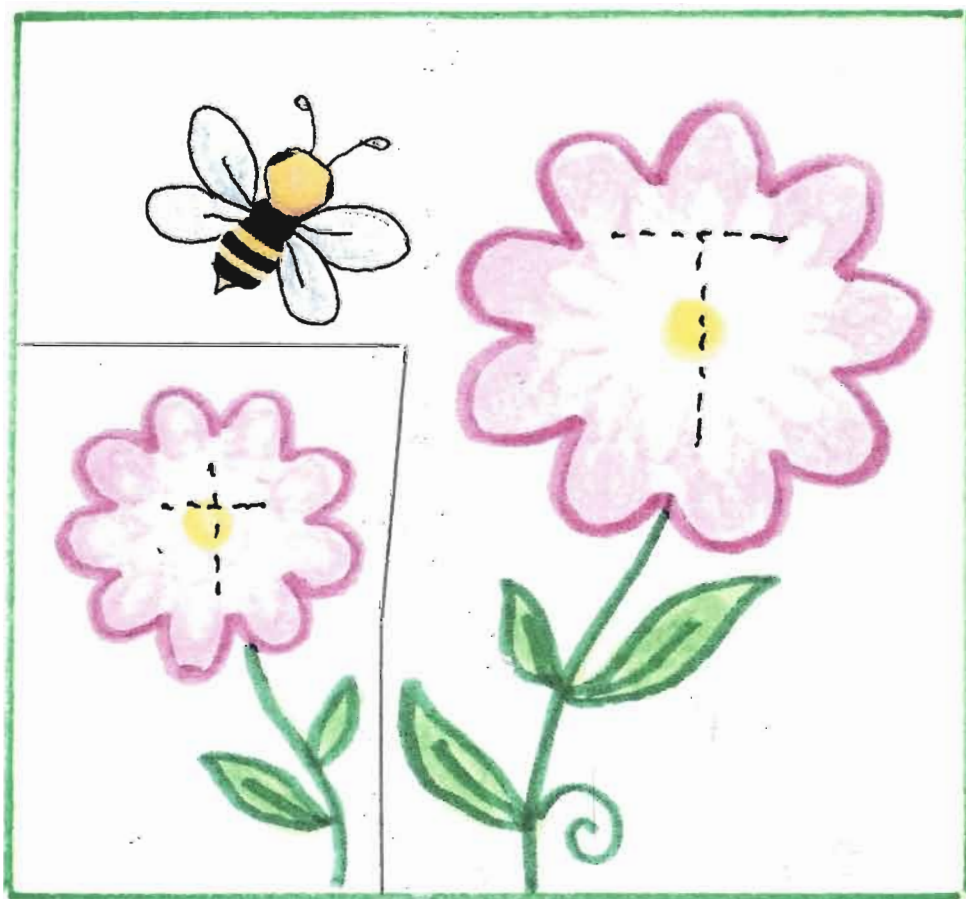


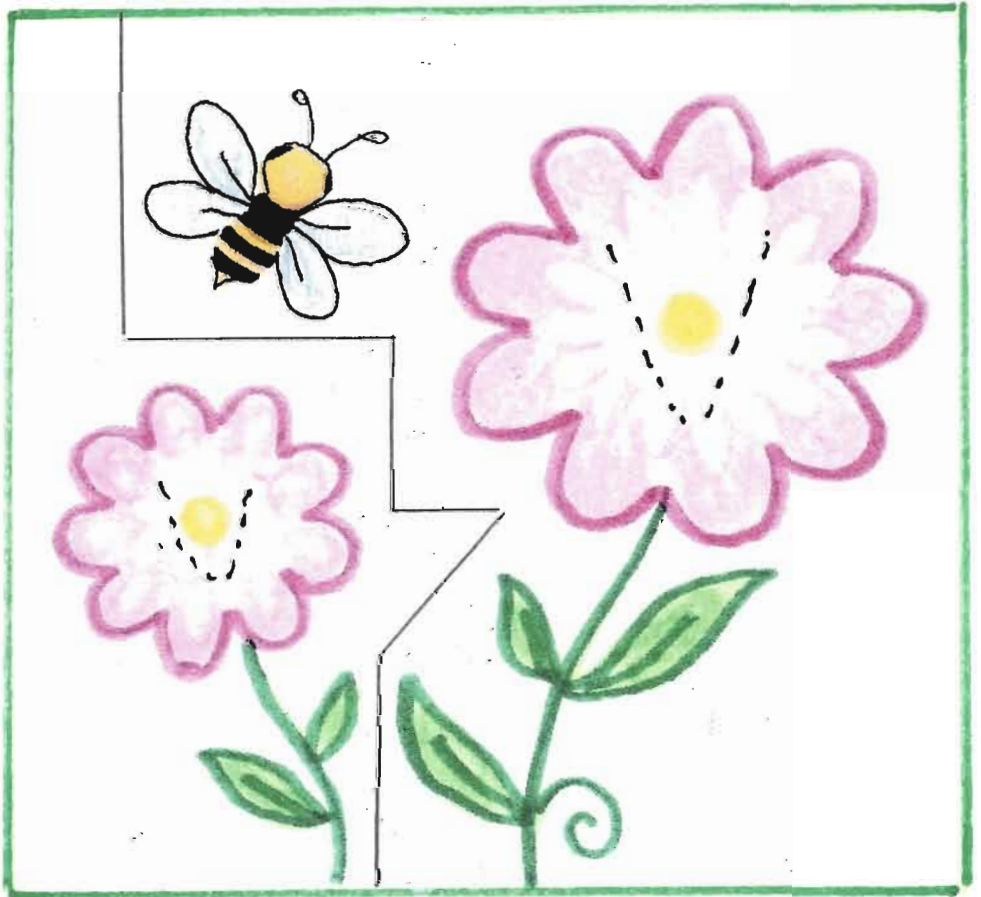
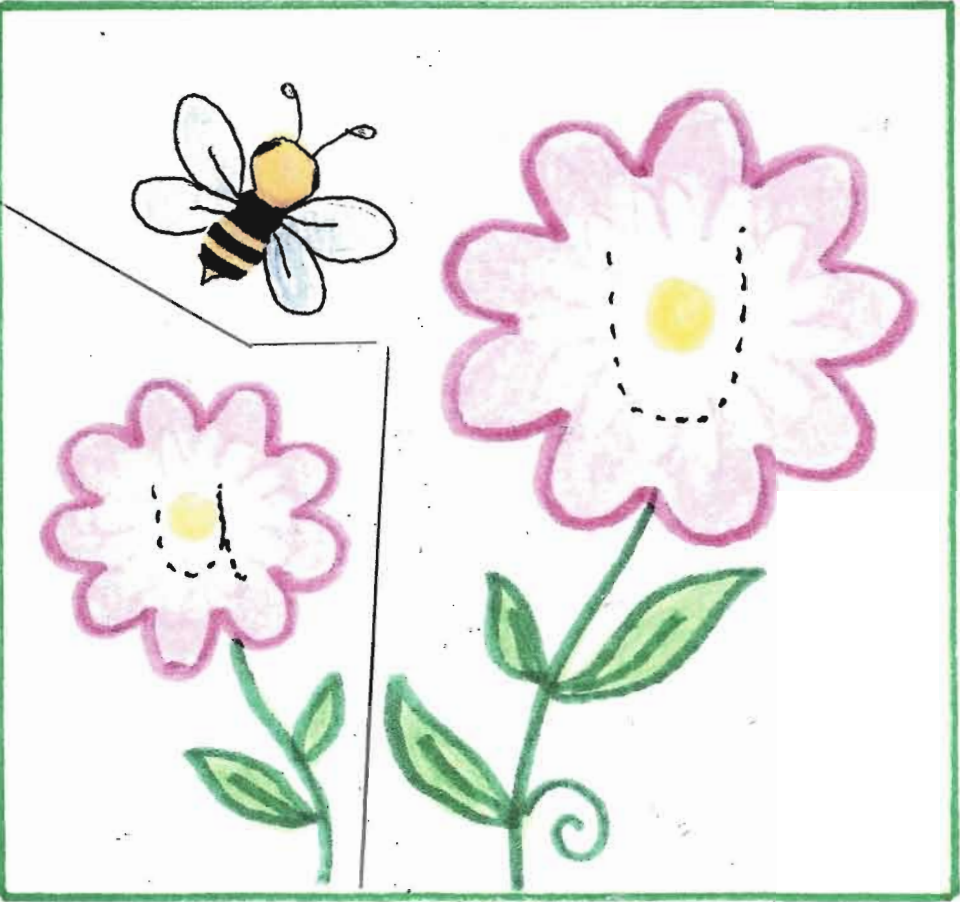


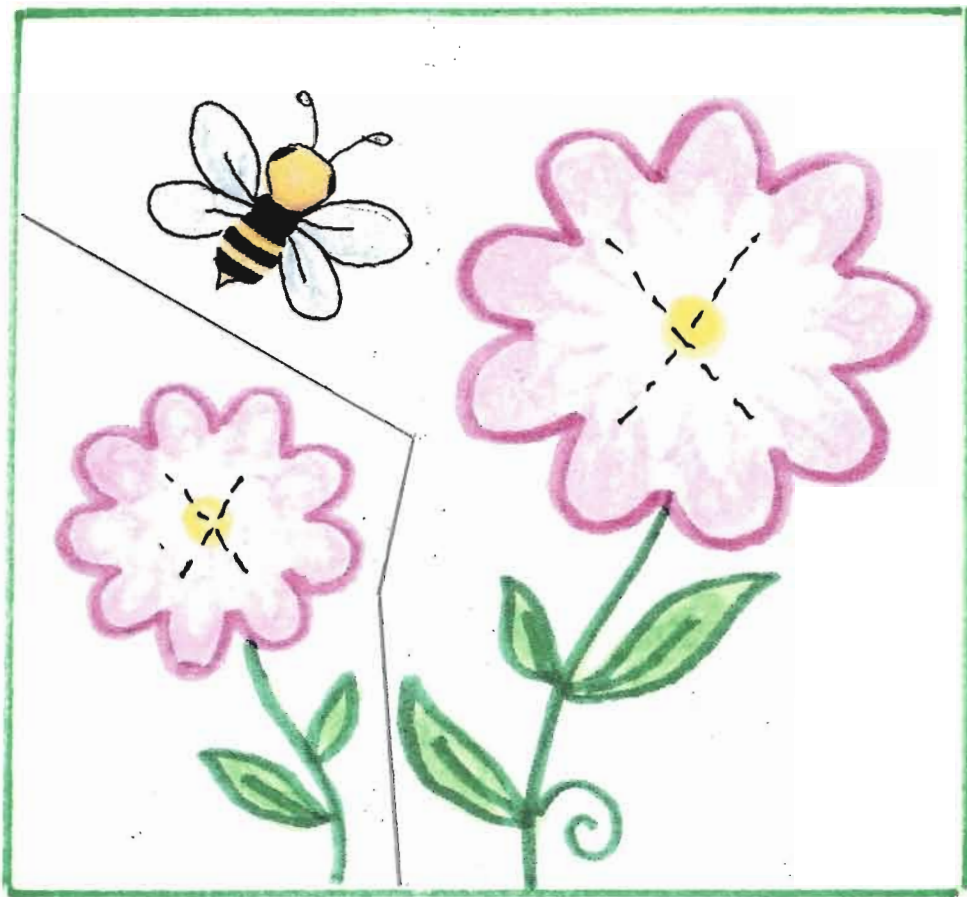
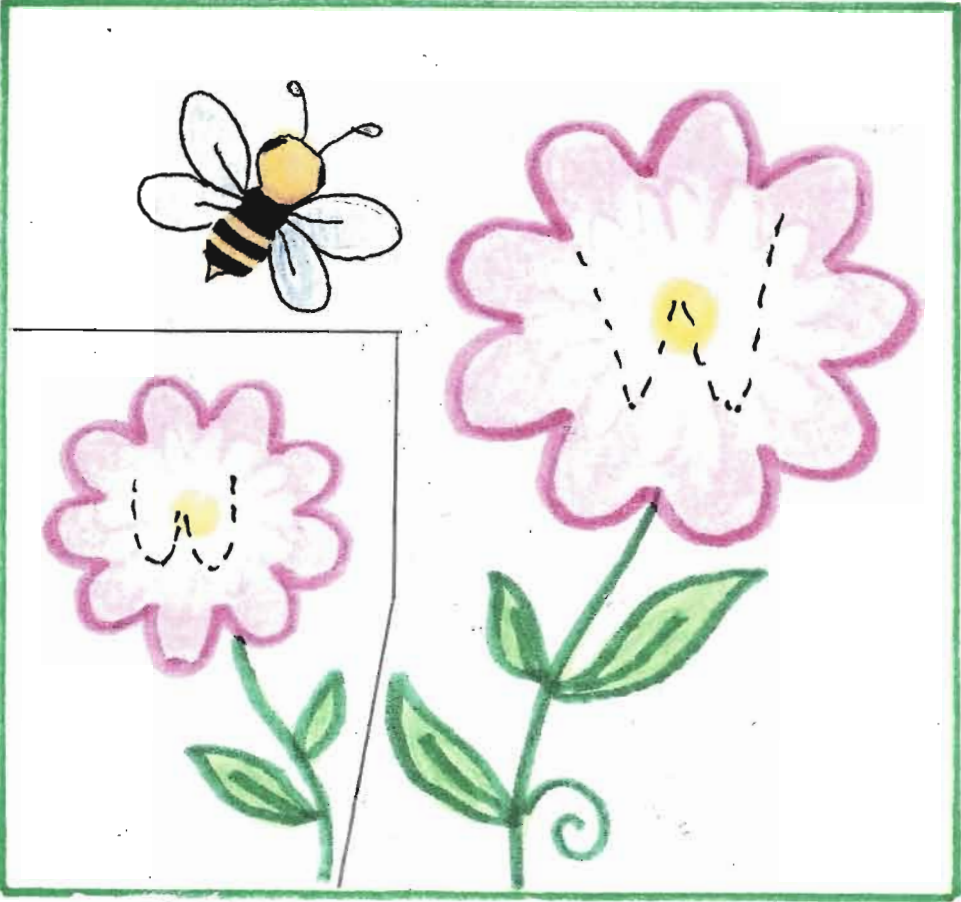


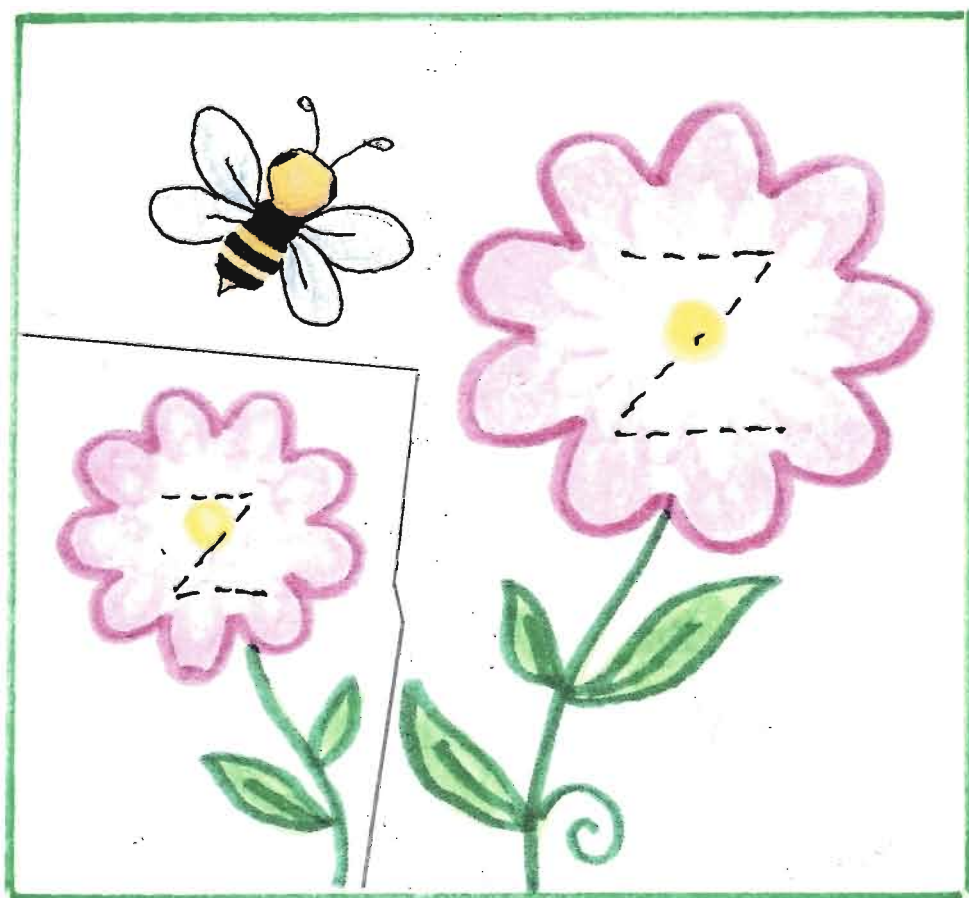
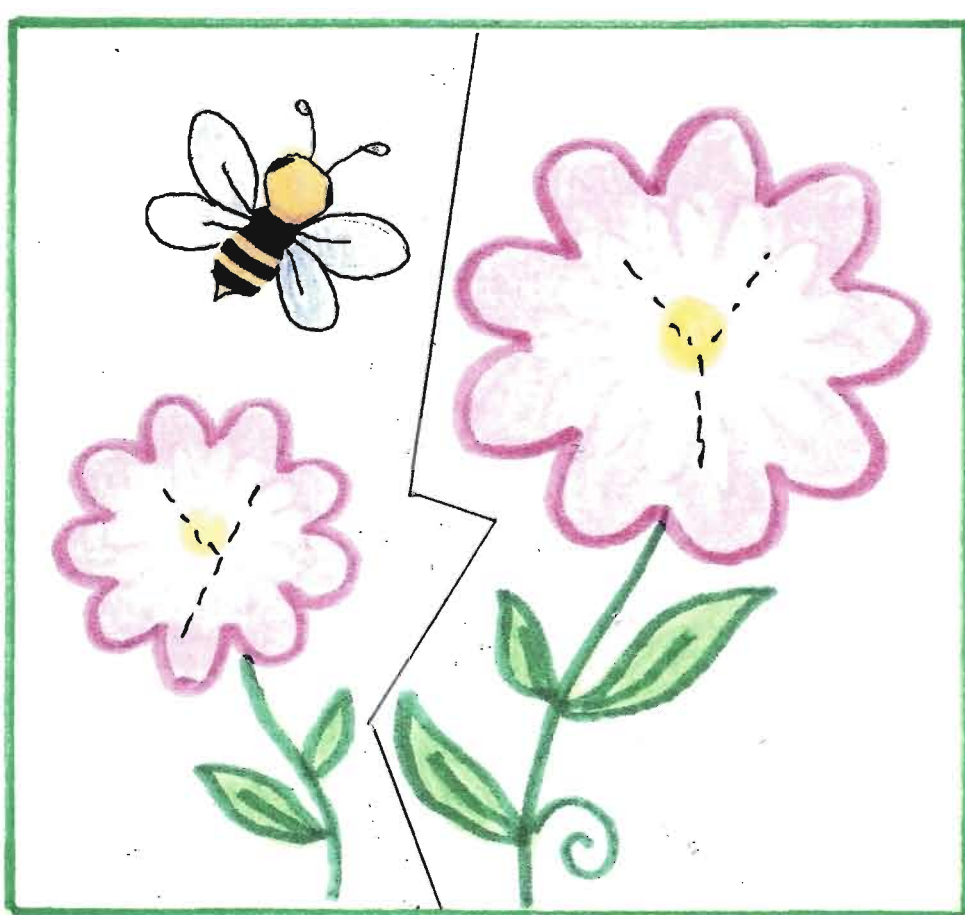


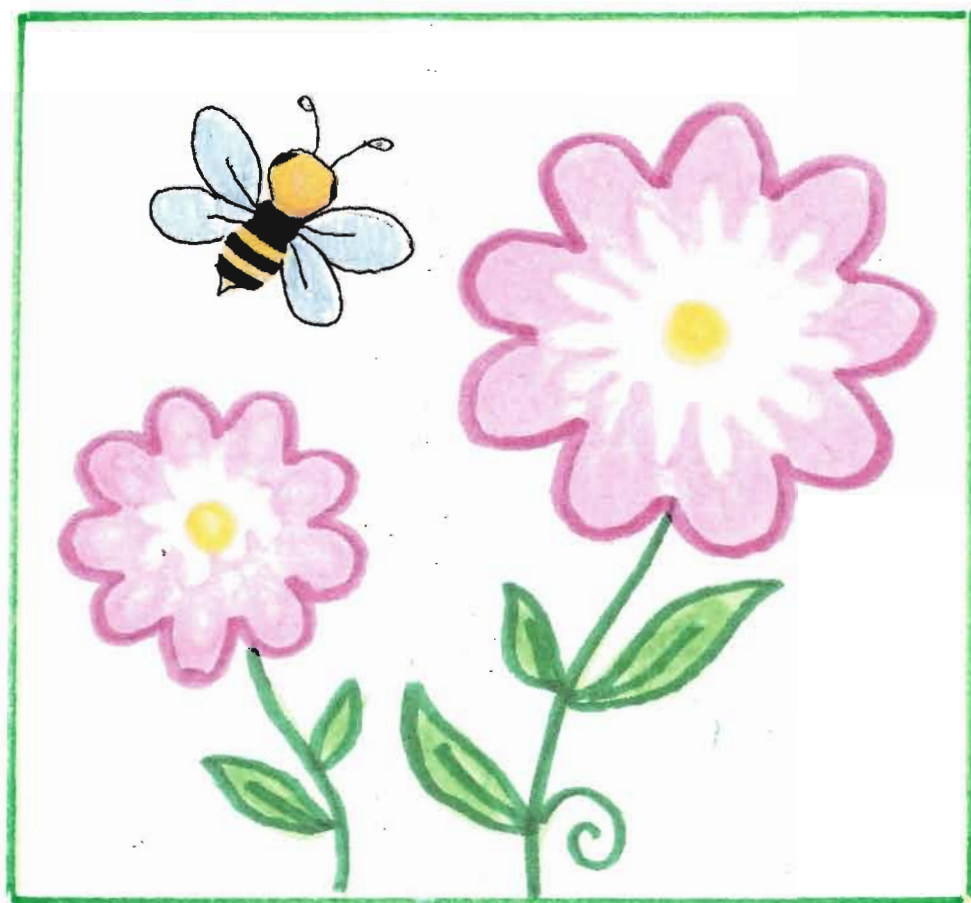
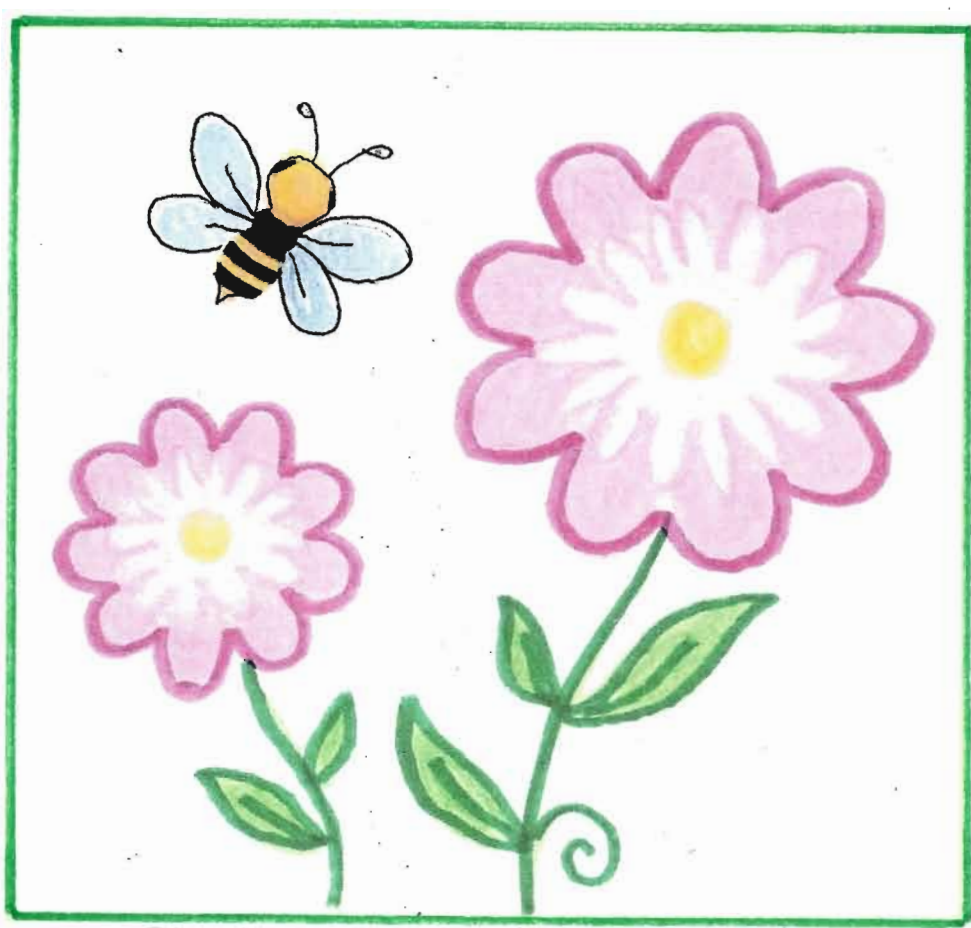


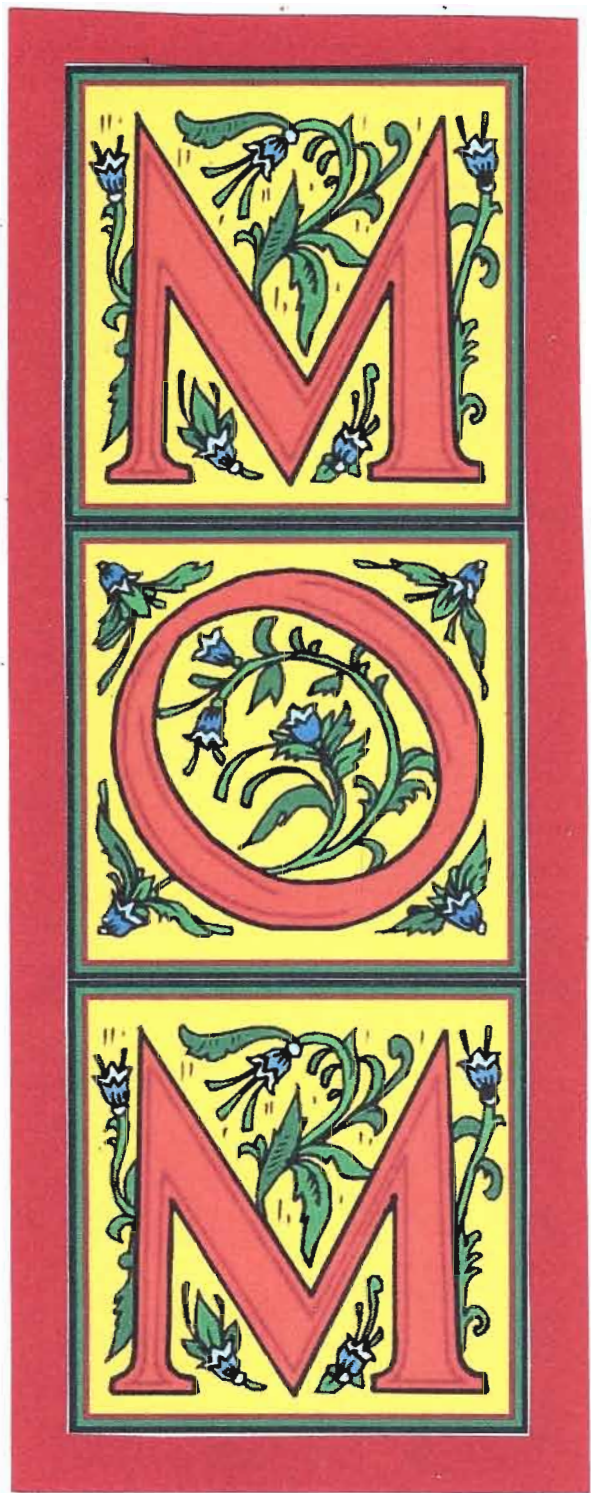












- Print off master.
- Students glue on red construction paper.
- Laminate.

Mother's Day
Bookmark
Sample



Mother's Day Bookmark



A Mother's Heart

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Materials:

- Flesh-colored paint to suit your students.
- Regular-size red or pink construction paper
- Large white construction paper
- Black ink pens
- Color-prints of “stamps”.
- Glue sticks
- Scissors
- Child's school photo

Directions:

Prep:

- Print off color-copies of “stamps”.
- Run off masters of hearts on either red or pink construction paper.
- If you'd like to give your students a choice, then run off some on both colors. Or make the card two colors.

The next day...

1. Paint children's hand with flesh-colored paint according to their ethnicity.
2. Press the right hand on the left side of the paper and their left hand on the right side of the paper so that it looks like the picture above.
3. Write child's name in small print in the corner and set aside to dry.
4. Children can choose a red or pink heart. Children CUT out their hearts.

5. Discuss with children the many things a mother does. (Make sure that everyone has a mom. Some children live with grandparents and can then make this card for grandma; some may only have a father. Be prepared for these things so no one feels left out.)
6. Make a heart for your mom and then display it so that you have a sample for the children to refer to.
7. I have 10 things that they can choose from. (Mommies: *cook, clean, do laundry, love/hug / kiss us good-bye and good night, help us with school work, take us places, take care of us when we are hurt or sick, buy us things, listen to us/ do things with us, and read to us.*)
8. You can write these things on the board and children can write them on the back of their paper.
9. Children CUT out their two hearts.
10. The top heart says: *"My heart loves you..."*
11. The bottom heart says: *and appreciates all the things you do! Happy Mothers Day!"*
12. Students GLUE their school photo to the top "love you..." heart.
13. Students GLUE the *...and appreciates....* heart down on top of their hands so that it is in the middle of them.
14. Children WRITE their name under the verse on the bottom heart.
15. Teacher staples the top heart over the bottom heart.
16. Children GLUE their stamps to the BACK of the top heart. If they need more room they can glue them to the bottom heart as well.



My heart loves you...



Front
of Mother's
Day "Love &
Appreciate you"
Card.



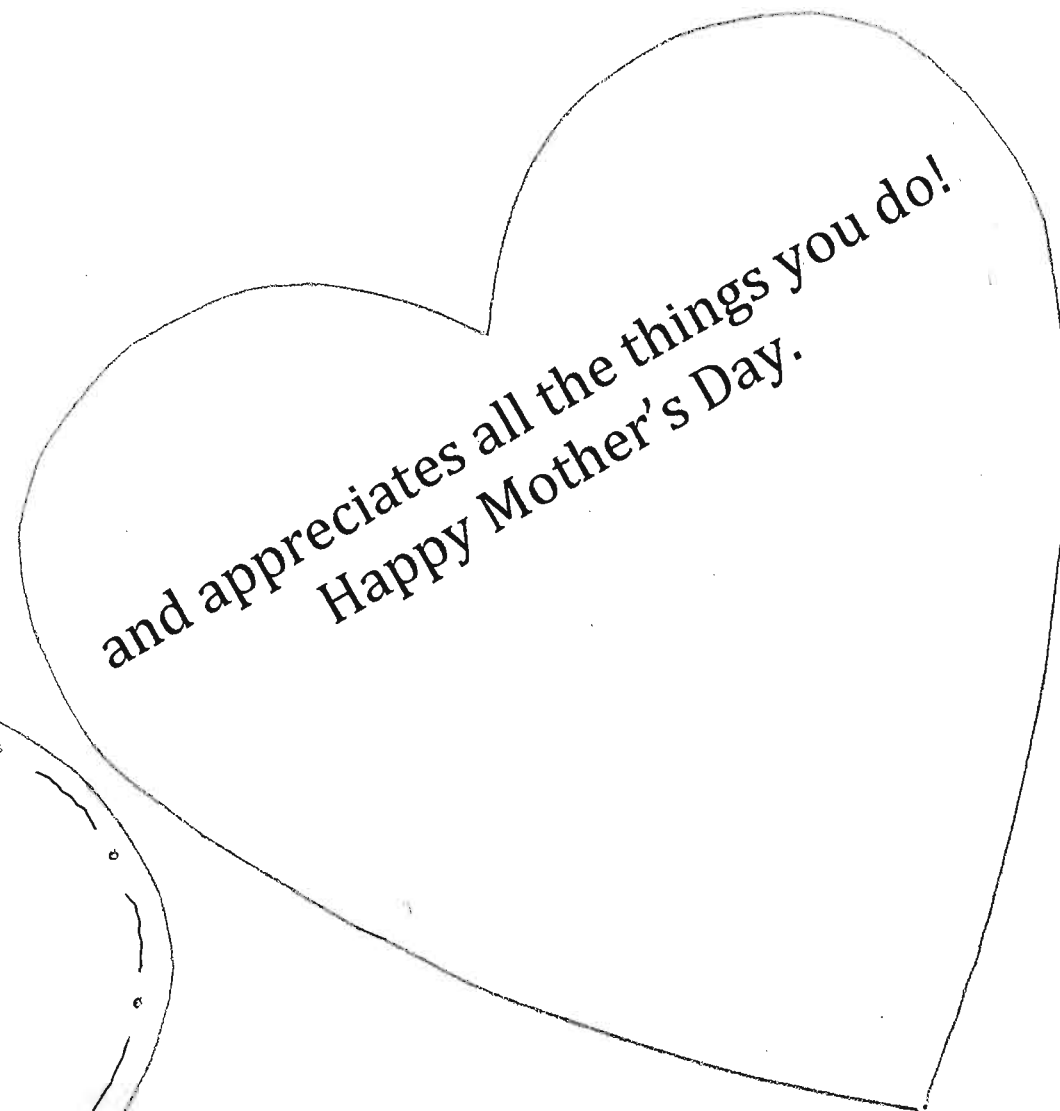
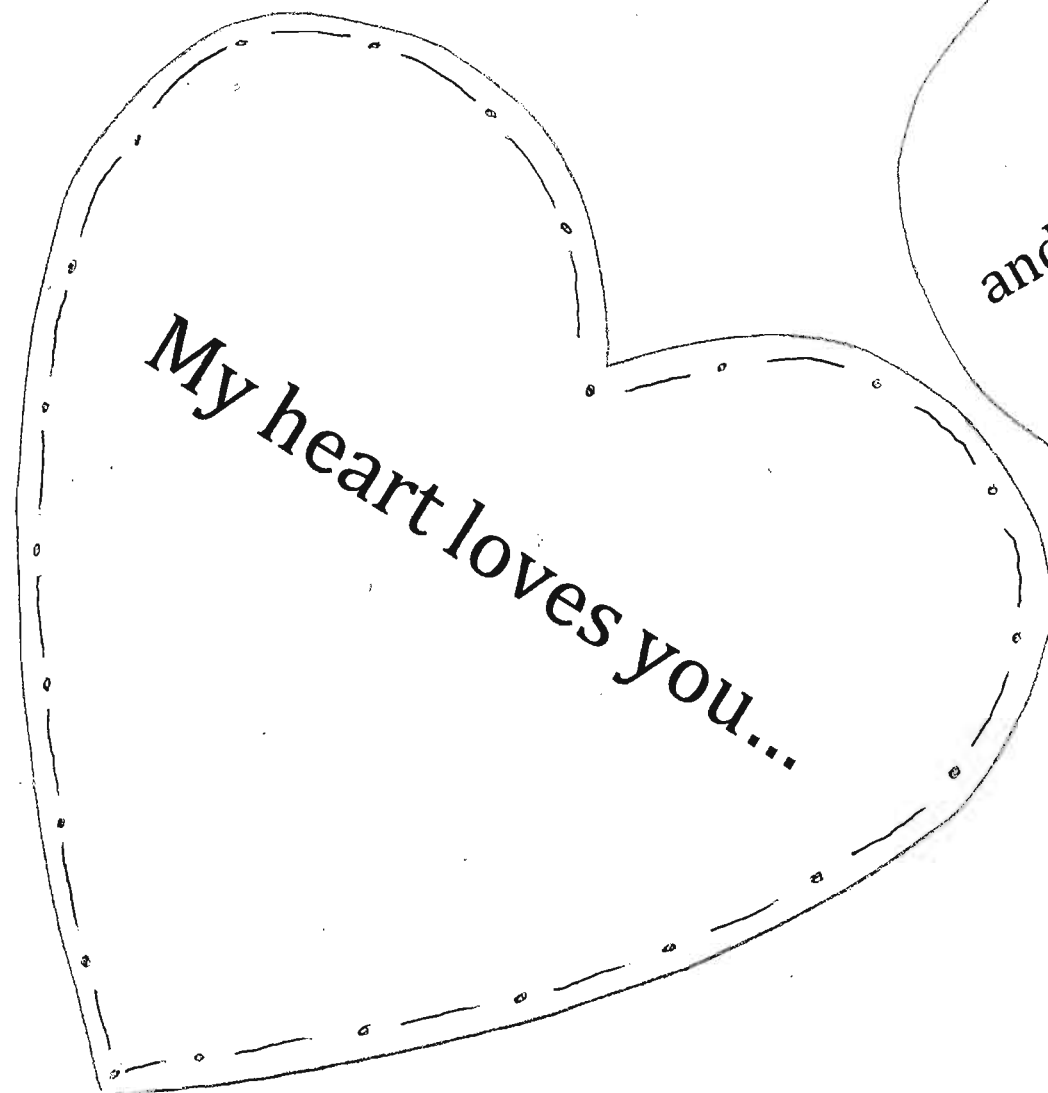
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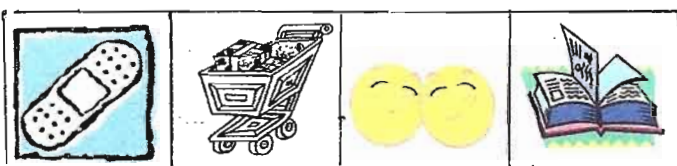
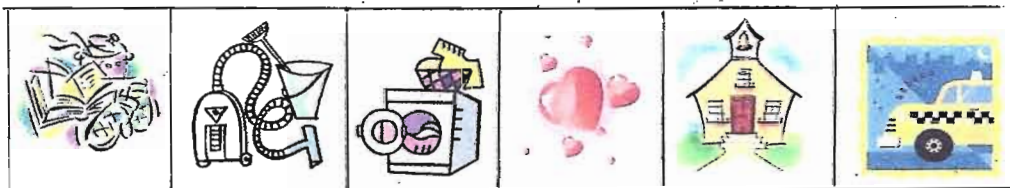
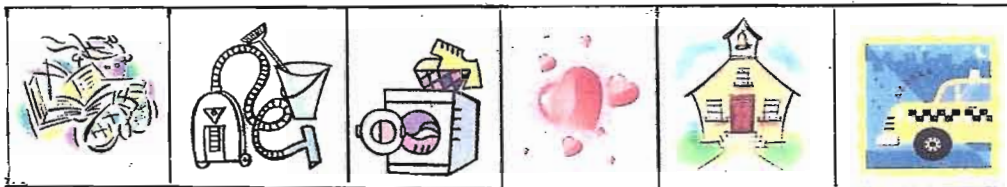
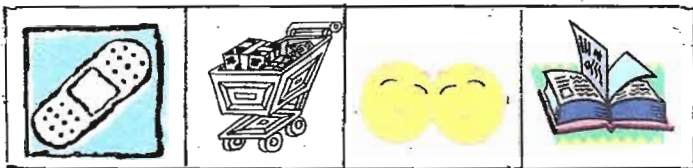
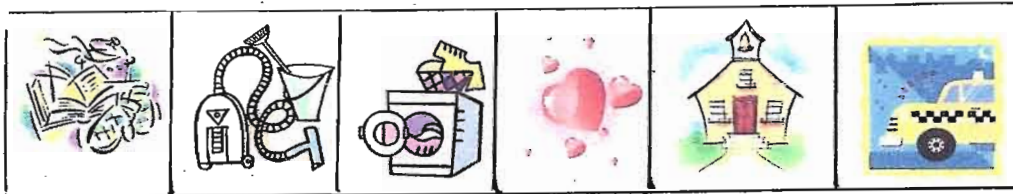
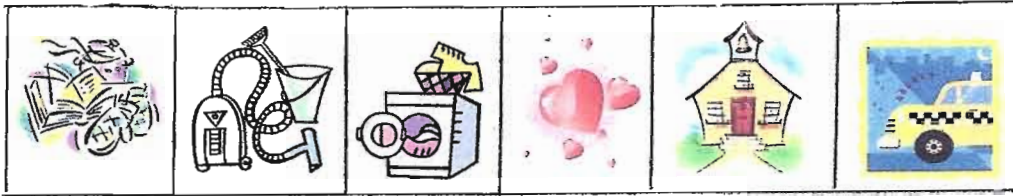
and appreciates all the things you do!
Happy Mother's Day.

Love,
Diane



Sample
Mother's Day
card
"Inside"





My Book Of

Flowers

By



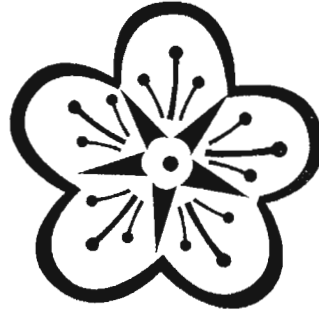
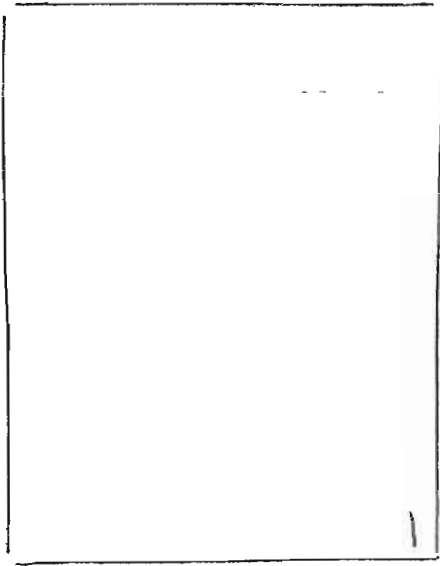
These flowers are red.

TRACE

Red

red

red



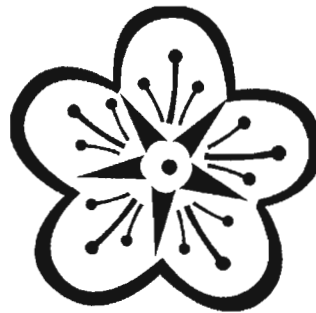
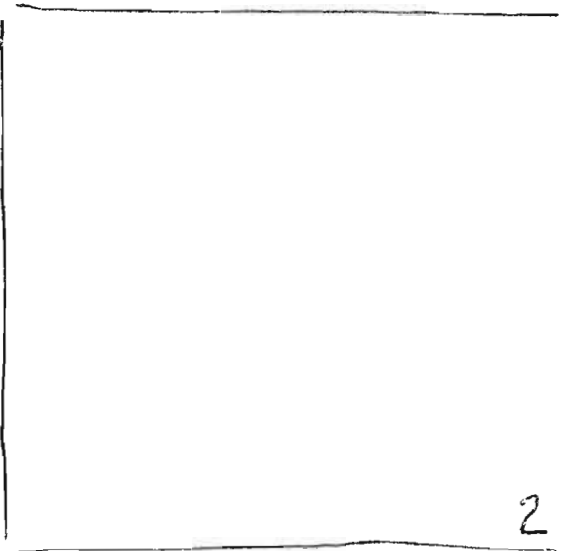
COLOR

WRITE

This flower is orange.

Orange

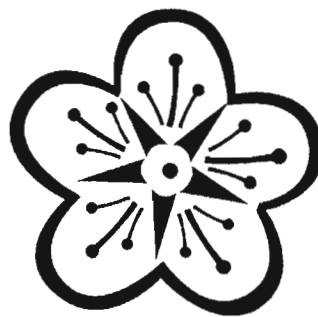
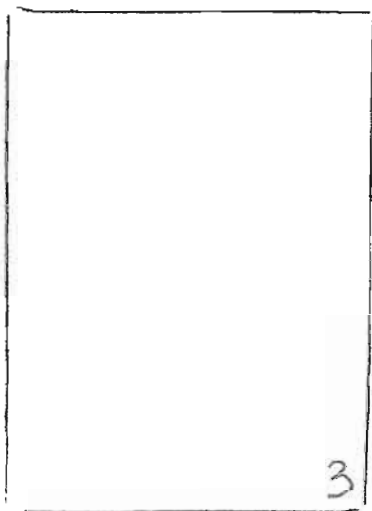
orange



These flowers are yellow.

Yellow

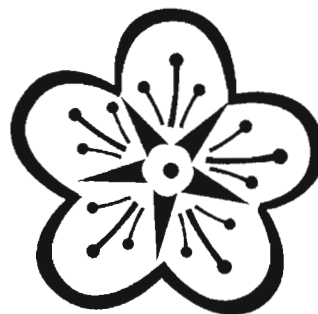
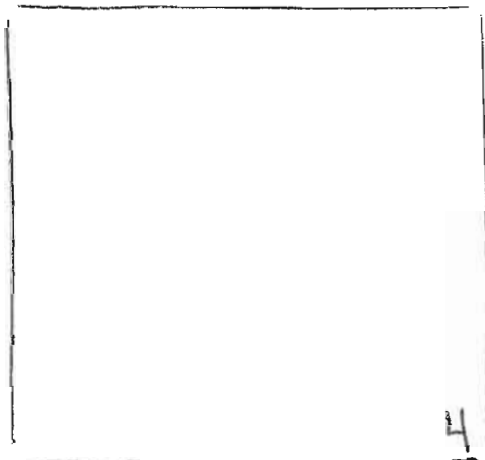
yellow



These flowers are green.

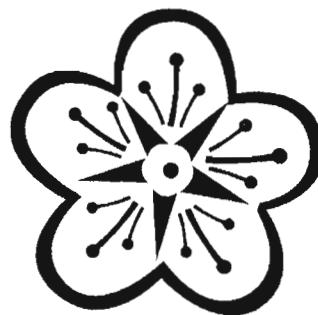
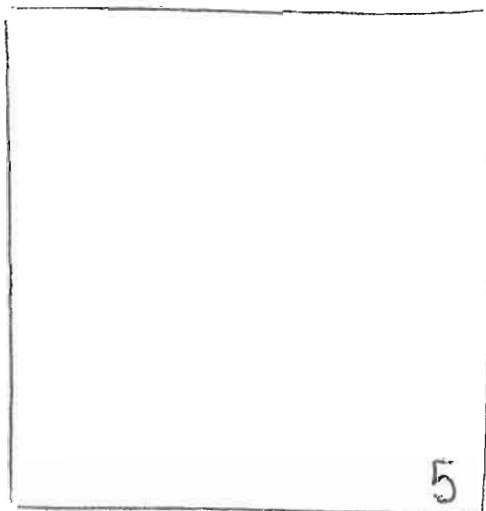
Green

green



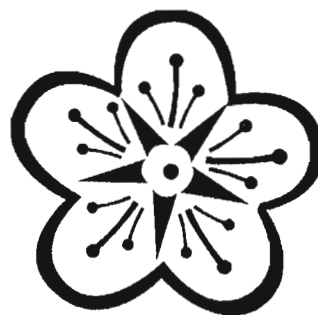
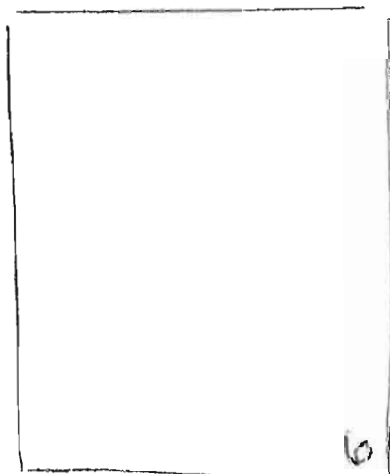
This flower is blue.

Blue blue blue



This flower is purple.

Purple purple

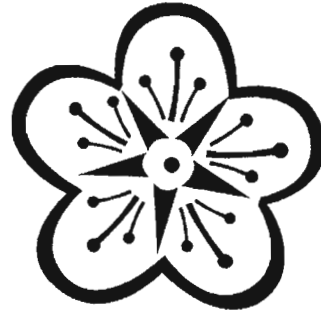
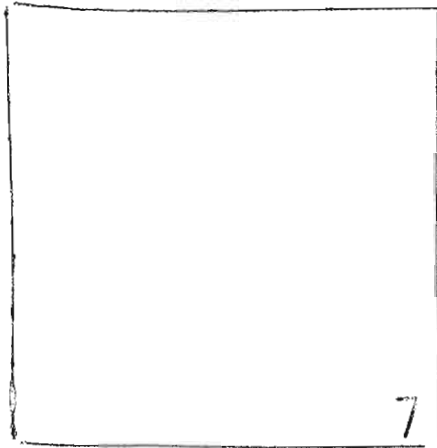


These flowers are pink.

Pink

pink

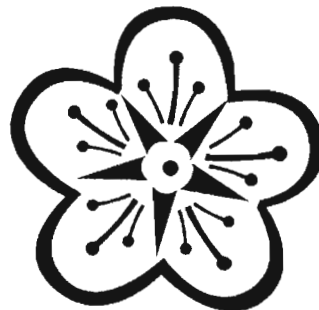
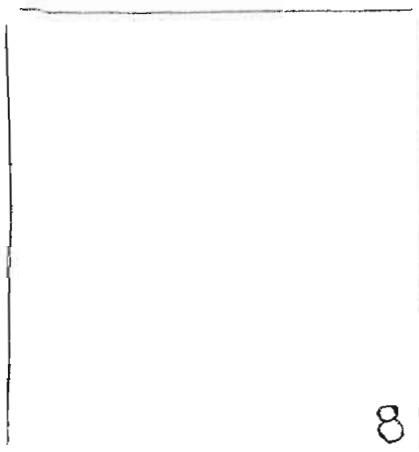
pink



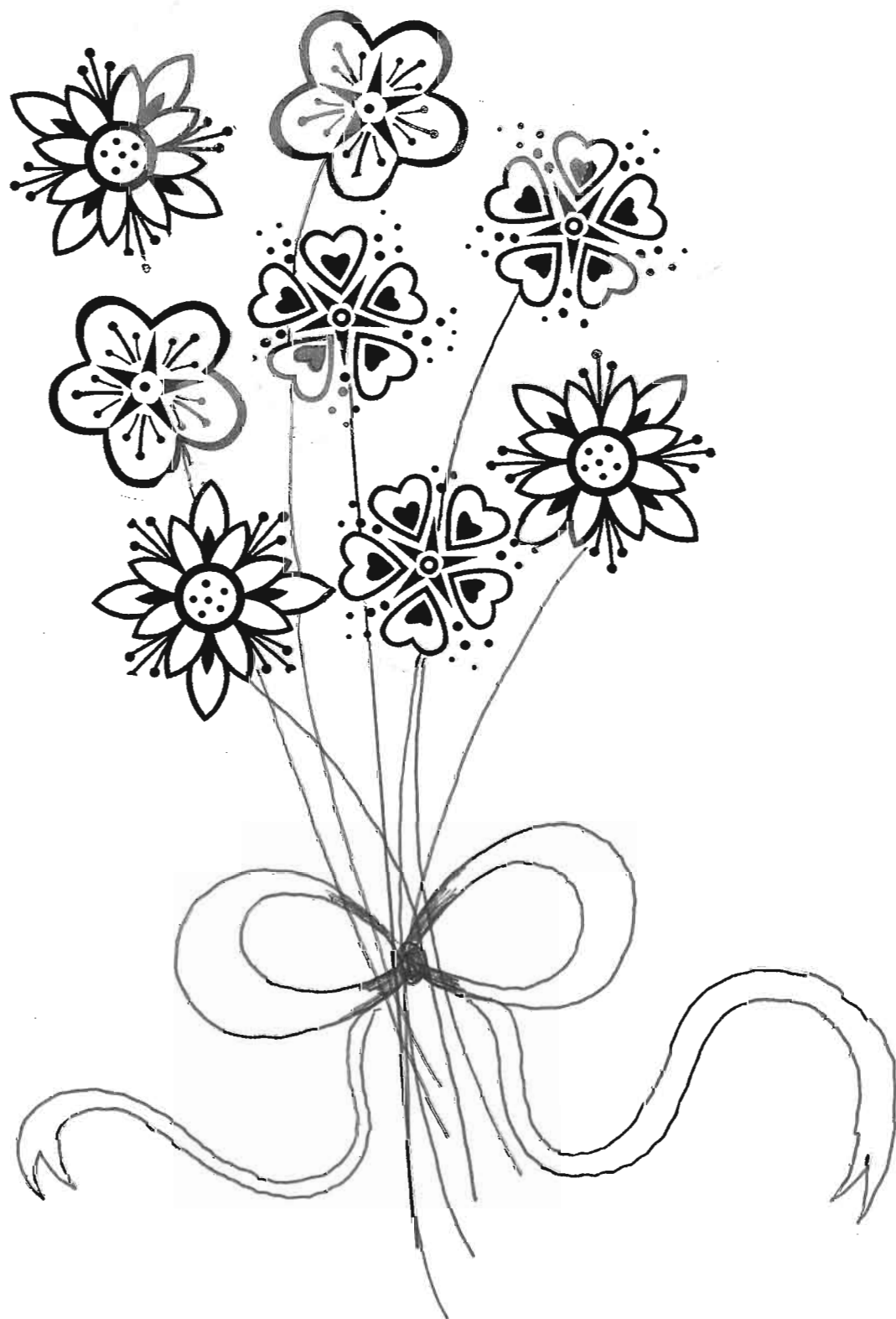
This flower is white.

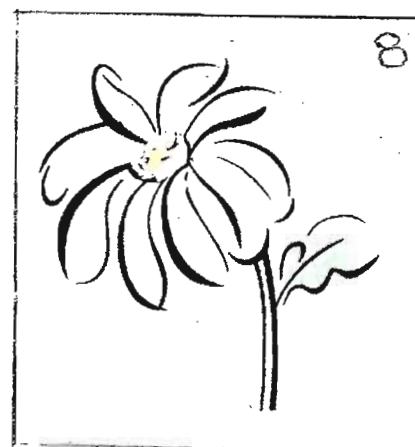
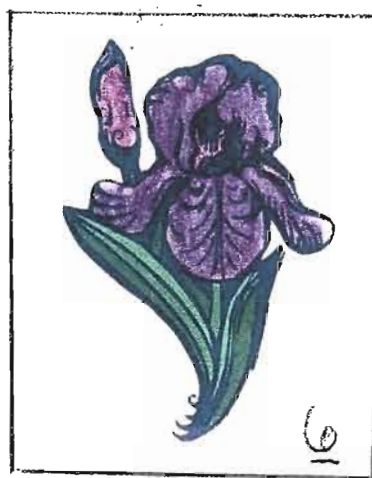
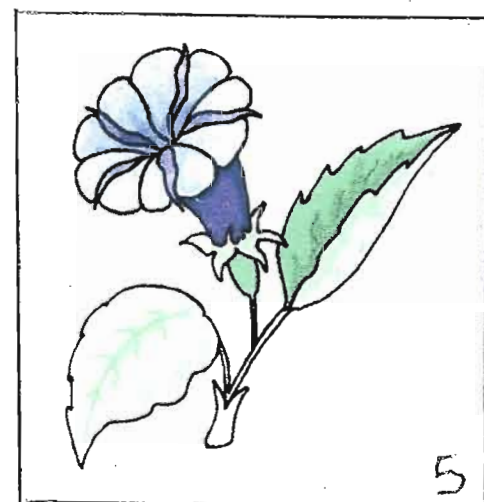
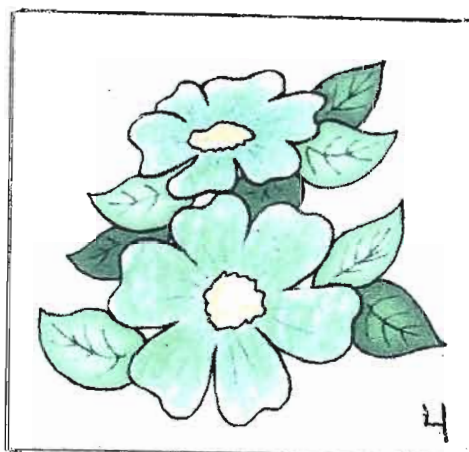
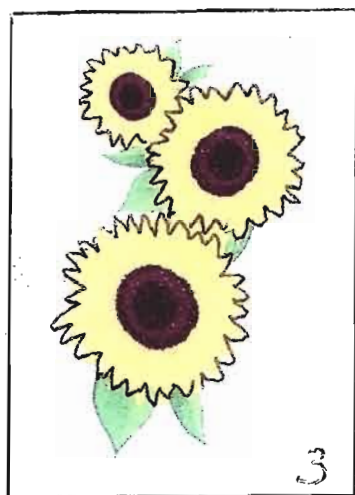
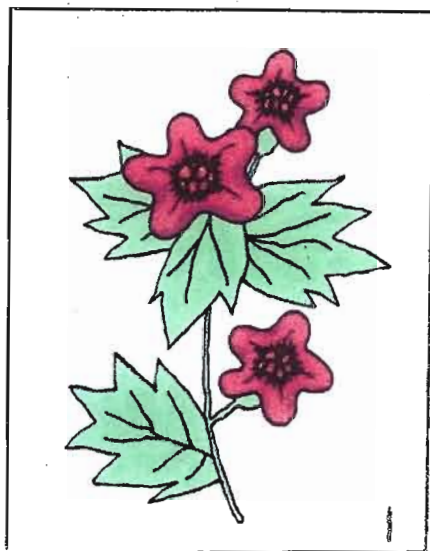
White

white



A bouquet of flowers for you!
Happy Mother's Day!





CUT and GLUE the flowers to the matching boxes in your booklet.

TRACE the dashed color words in their matching colors.

WRITE the color words on the lines in their matching colors.

COLOR the flowers in their matching color.

On the last page, COLOR each flower a different color.



TRACE then WRITE the sentences. Use a DIFFERENT color for each one.

I love you mom!

I love you mom!

I love you mom!