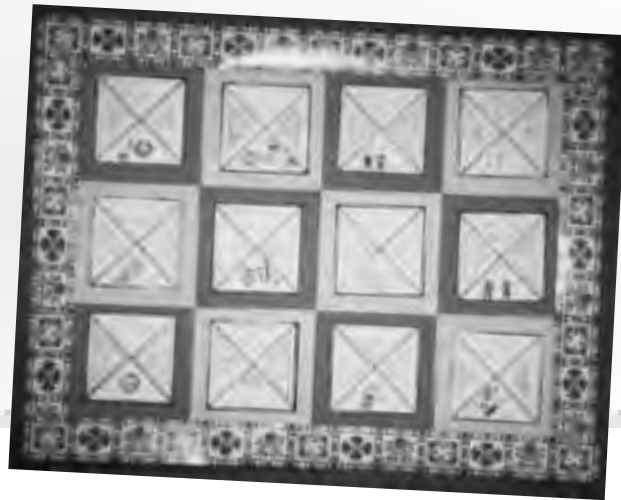


N o v e m b e r

Harvest celebrations such as Thanksgiving are excellent opportunities for children to explore what they are thankful for.



“We Are Thankful for...” Quilt

DIRECTIONS

1 In the top triangle of the X, have students write “I am thankful for...” Then have them decorate the other three triangles with something they are thankful for in their lives. Encourage them to label each illustration.

2 Have children cut out the square and then glue it onto the quilt block. Make the class quilt by gluing the finished blocks onto posterboard or attaching them to a bulletin board.

Materials

- quilt block template (reproducible 1)
- markers or crayons
- glue
- posterboard



Ribbon Quilt

Use extrawide ribbon or old, donated neckties to create a unique way to display quilts. Cut strips of the material to desired lengths and attach them to a bulletin board. Attach students' quilt blocks to the ribbons in a staggered pattern.



Hand Art

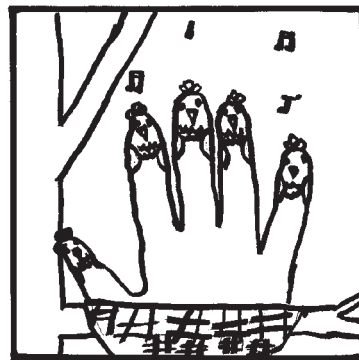
Hand-tracing is a popular art activity with young children—and it makes wonderful designs for quilt blocks. Try this activity with your class:

DIRECTIONS

- 1 Demonstrate how to trace your hand on a sheet of paper. Have students do the same on the quilt block.
- 2 Show children how to spread their fingers apart, to make a turkey or several people, or keep their fingers close together, to make a flag or an ear of corn.
- 3 After tracing, children can add details using crayons or markers.
- 4 Glue the finished block onto construction paper. Combine to create a class quilt!

Materials

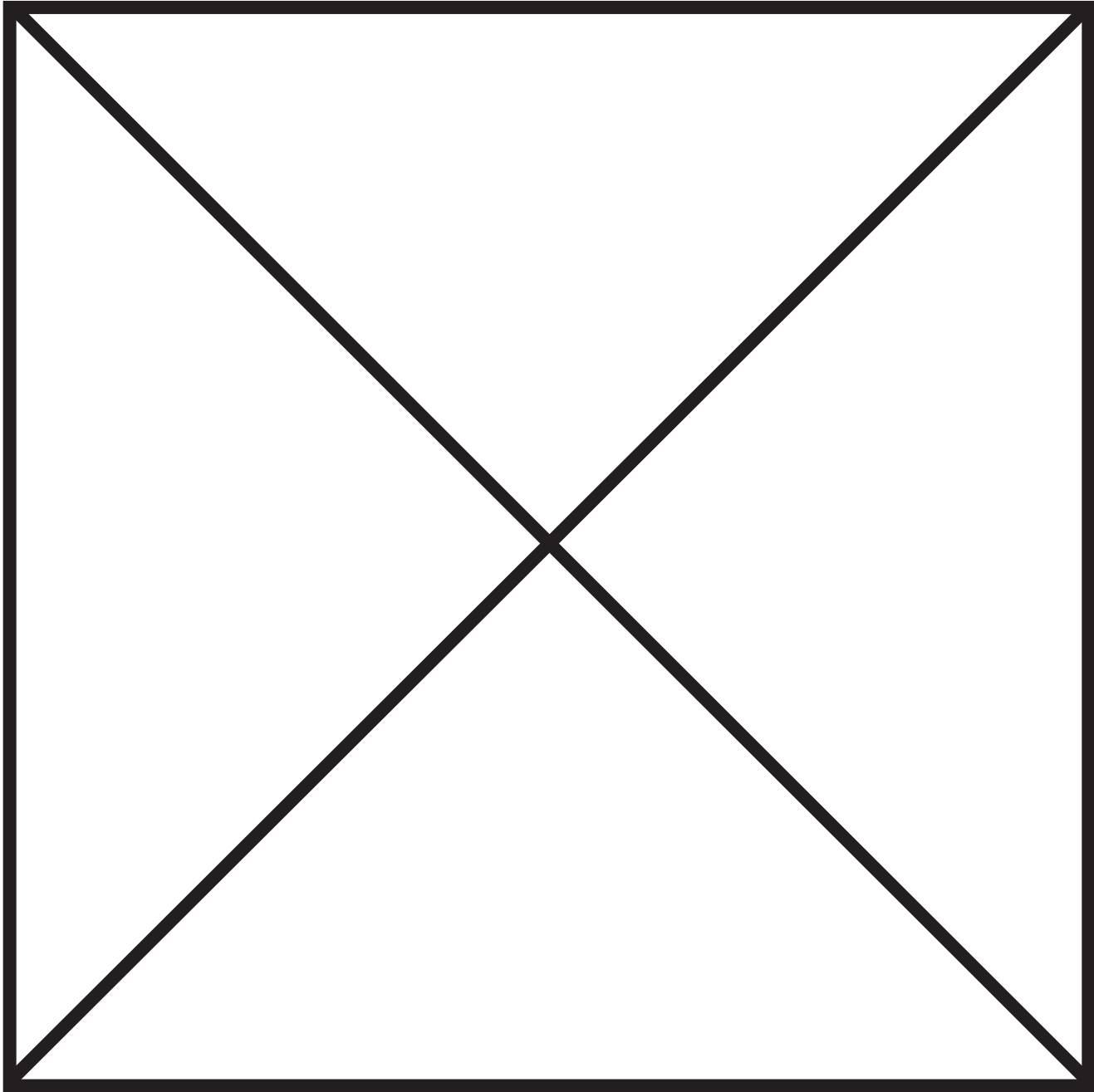
- quilt block template (reproducible 2)
- construction paper
- crayons or markers



Other November Themes

Native Americans
Colonial Times
Dinosaurs

Reproducible 1: X Through the Middle



Reproducible 2: Open Square

