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*Leathercraft Projects To-Go*

# Camp Adventure Leather DRAGONFLY FOB

*Plus A Look Back Into The  
History of "Camping Worldwide"*

**OBJECTIVE:** Students will learn about the theme while creating a useful and decorative leather project. Lesson includes history and new vocabulary words. Creativity, math and dexterity skills will be exercised to design, personalize, color and then assemble the project.

## MATERIALS LIST

**All Supplies Needed To Complete  
12 Dragonfly Fob Projects:**

- Pre-Punched Veg-Tan Leather Dragonflies
- Lacing Cords
- Beads
- Cova Color® Acrylic Paints
- Brushes
- Sharpie Markers
- Stencils
- Design & Coloring Ideas
- Complete Instructions

## YOU WILL or MIGHT NEED:

- Pencils For Planning Designs
- Scissors For Trimming Cord
- Classroom Markers, Acrylic Paints & Brushes
- Plastic Palettes, Plates Or Wax Paper For Paints

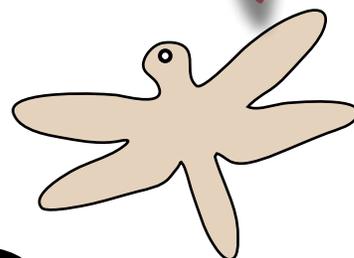
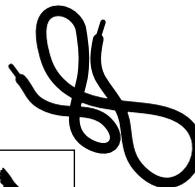
## CLASSROOM TIME:

**Minimum of 3 Sessions:**

**Design = 45 minutes**

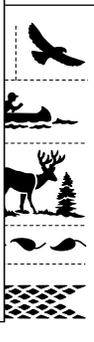
**Color the Projects = 45 minutes**

**Assemble the Projects = 45 minutes**



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## GETTING STARTED:



## How Did “Camping” Start?

Historically, camping takes us back to a time before there were towns and cities, when our ancestors wandered over the land existing by hunting and gathering. They lived in settlements called camps. In the 1800’s, camping took on a different meaning.

It is said that Camping is an American tradition, starting back in the early 1800’s. Camping Handbooks were written and the idea of setting up recreational camps was born. Camps were to be places where children could prepare to be productive, healthy adults while having fun playing games and enjoying outdoor sports.

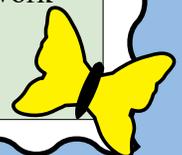
In 1861 one of the first camps was formed: The Gunnery Camp in Connecticut. Soon after, the first YWCA Camp (or summer boarding & vacation house) for women was started in Asbury Park, Pennsylvania. In 1885, the first YMCA Camp was founded in Newburgh, New York. In 1900, the first Boy’s Club camp was organized in Salem, Massachusetts. Then the American Camping Association was founded and the Boy Scouts of America held its first camp in 1910 in Lake George, New York.

From then to now, camps can be found everywhere and are sponsored by churches, cities, private organizations and families. Camping has turned into more than just having fun. Many camps focus on teaching values through respect, honesty, caring and sharing.

**Did You Know:** When the automobile came along, it allowed families to travel farther away from home and go “camping”. Many took tents along and set up camp sites while others stayed in their trailers and “house-cars” or motor homes, now called RVs.

The camping experience was and still is a relaxing, enjoyable way to vacation. Get away from the everyday routines of school and work and go out to enjoy nature.

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### SESSION 1 - Design:

- Have students plan their designs on paper templates before putting them on the leather.
- Copy the blank templates on page 5, cut apart on dotted lines and hand out along with pencils. Also cut stencils apart on dotted lines and hand out.

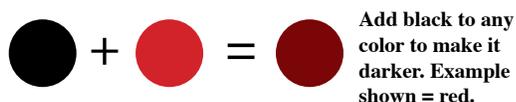
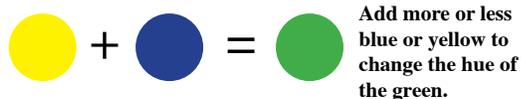
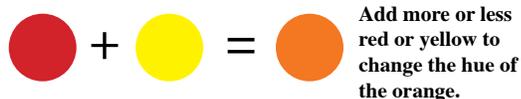
### SESSION 2 - Color:

- Hand out leather shapes to each student.
- Share Sharpie Markers, paints & brushes. Use plastic palettes, plates or wax paper for mixing paints.

(SEE PAGE 3 FOR SESSION 3)

## USING COVA COLOR® ACRYLIC PAINTS

The primary colors (red, yellow & blue) have been supplied in this Theme Bucket. The secondary colors (orange, green & purple) can be created as shown:



Now try mixing the secondary colors together to get even more colors.



**NOTE:** When using acrylic paints on leather, be sure the project is completely dry before starting to assemble the project.

## GETTING STARTED continued:

### SESSION 3 - Assembly:

- Copy the Assembly Ideas on page 6 and hand them out to each student along with cord and beads. Scissors might be needed to trim the cord.
- Practice before class and then demonstrate the assembly ideas.

### ABOUT THE LEATHER:

*The leather used in this project is called vegetable-tanned (Veg Tan) leather cut from cowhide. One side is smooth (the grain side) and one side is rough or suede (the flesh side). Veg Tan leather can have designs tooled on the smooth side using different tools.*

*This project will be decorated using acrylic paints and colored markers.*

## History Continued:

**Did You Know:** Some of the early camping activities of the 1800s are still done today: Hiking, canoeing, swimming, fishing, bird watching, collecting flower & insect specimens, bike riding, sailing, horseback riding, archery, mountain climbing, story telling cooking over a camp fire. Today, additional activities are offered like studying the stars, making movies, photography, exploring caves, swinging on ropes through trees, sports, treasure hunts, explorations and community charity work. Then there are indoor camping activities such as learning to play instruments, creating with crafts, singing, dancing, acting and even cooking lessons.

Camping locations are worldwide offering all climates and terrains: the mountains, ocean, desert, or a local lake, park or even your own backyard. Remember, the camping experience doesn't have to ever end. When you are an adult, sign up to be a counselor or teacher at a camp. Or, take your friends and family camping.

The project for this lesson is to make a leather Camp Adventure dragonfly fob for a necklace, key change or zipper pull.

## VOCABULARY:

**Cowhide** - The hide (skin) from a mature bovine (cow).

**Flesh Side** - The rough (suede) underside of leather.

**Grain Side** - The hair side of the leather with the hair removed. This side may be tooled.

**Entomology** - The branch of Zoology that deals with the study of insects.

**Tanning** - The process using tannins to change a fresh animal hide into leather.

**Tannins** - Yellowish substance from oak bark and other plants used to tan leather.

**Vegetable Tanned (Veg-Tan)** - Leather which has been tanned with vegetable materials that are derived from certain plants and woods, often called bark tannins.

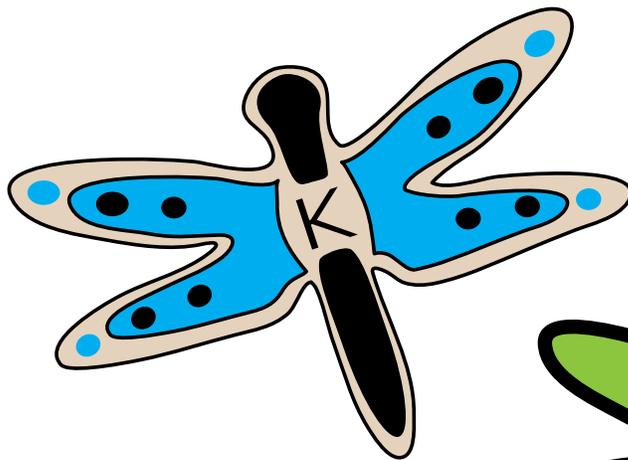
**Herbarium** - A collection of plant specimens.

**Fauna** - The animals of a specified region or time.

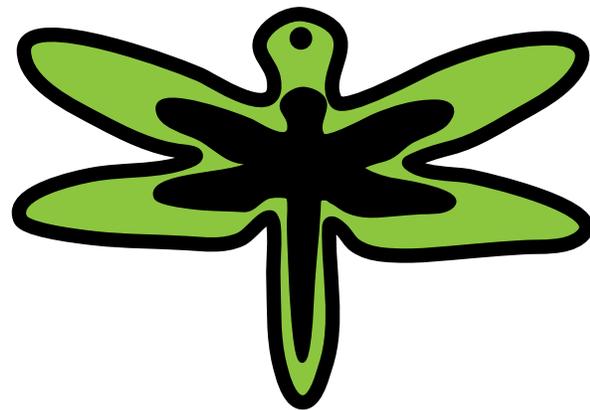
## CREATE DESIGNS USING STENCIL PATTERNS & YOUR OWN IDEAS

Here are some color & design ideas shown on the project part. The leather can be left its natural color with just the designs in color or paint the backgrounds and designs different colors.

**HINT:** *To make bright or light colors stand out on a darker background, paint bright or light colors first. Then fill in background around them with a darker color. For even brighter colors, first paint the design that is to be bright with white acrylic paint. Let it dry completely (few minutes), then paint over the white with the desired color.*



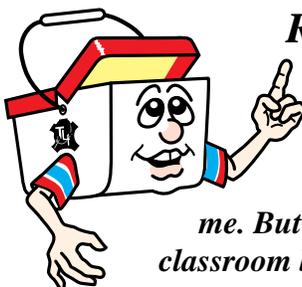
**BE SURE TO PAINT BOTH SIDES OF THE DRAGONFLY FOB**



**BE SURE TO PLAN DESIGNS ON PAPER BEFORE DRAWING OR USING COLOR PAINTS & MARKERS ON THE LEATHER**

### CLASSROOM EXPANSION IDEAS:

- ~ Study some of the students favorite camping locations.
- ~ Study how other cultures camped: Native Americans, the Military and the Settlers of the New Frontier.

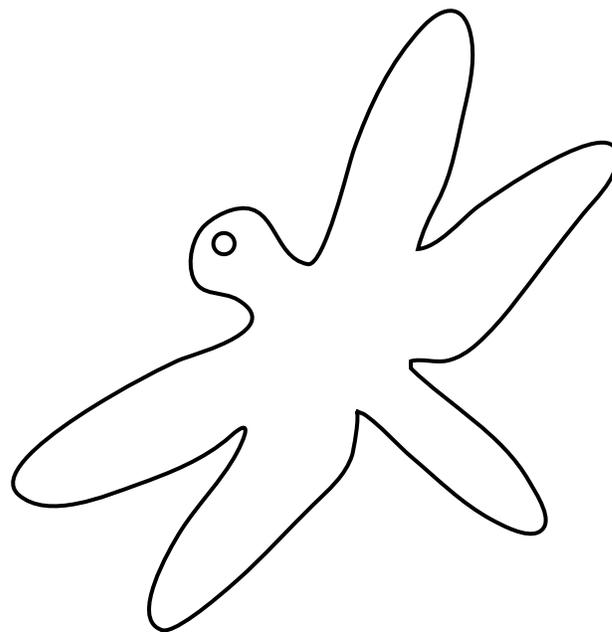
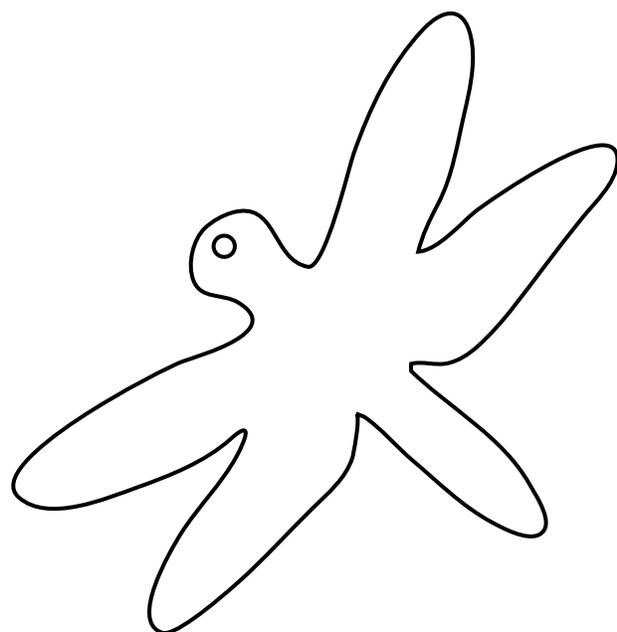
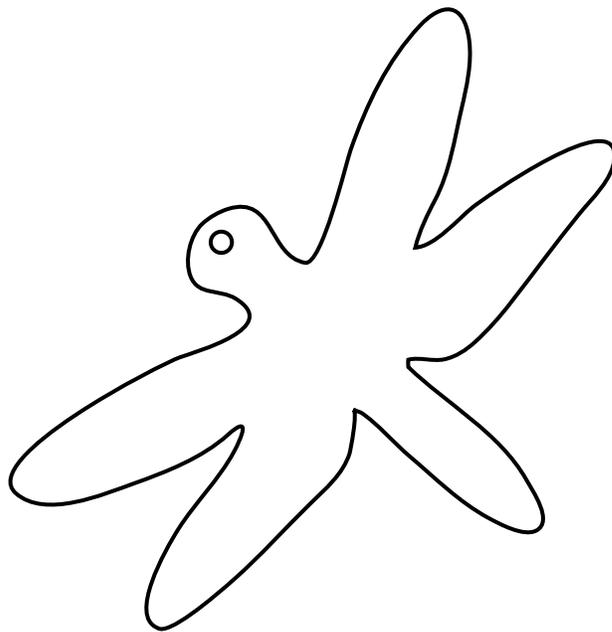
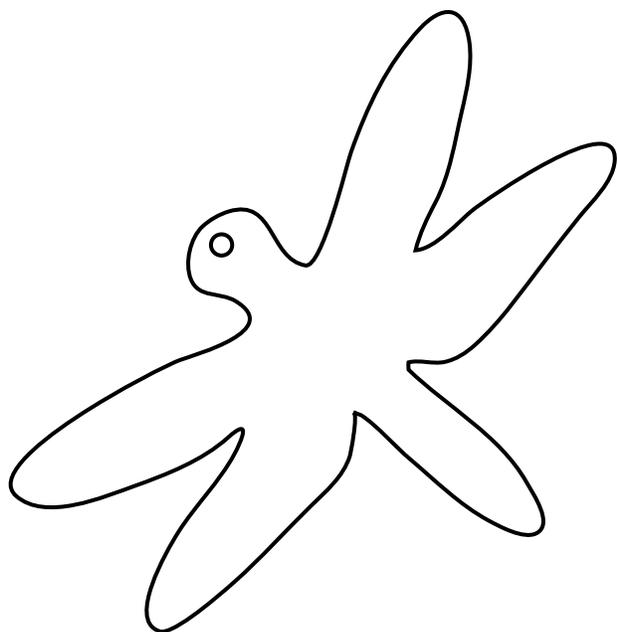


### RECYCLE ME!

*“I am your Theme Bucket - be sure to recycle me! I would like to end up in your closet with many of my friends. I could store art supplies, extra leather project parts, or even help you organize your files. Create a new label for me so I can help you find what is stored in me. But until it’s time to recycle, I am happy to bring fun & learning into your classroom by offering you Projects To-Go from Tandy Leather Factory.”*

## TEMPLATES FOR PLANNING DESIGNS

*Copy this page, cut apart on dotted lines and hand out, so students can practice designs on paper before applying them to the leather.*



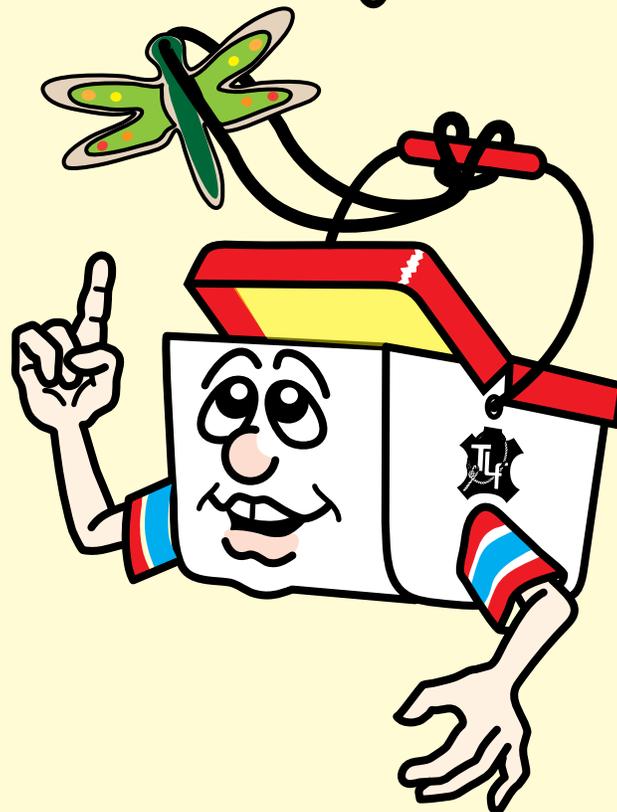
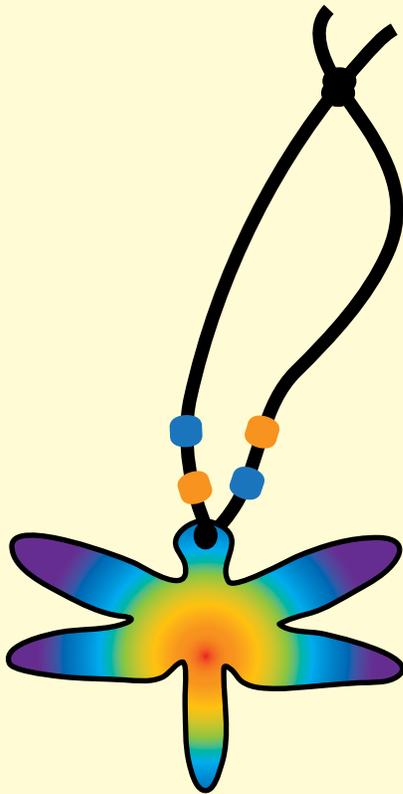
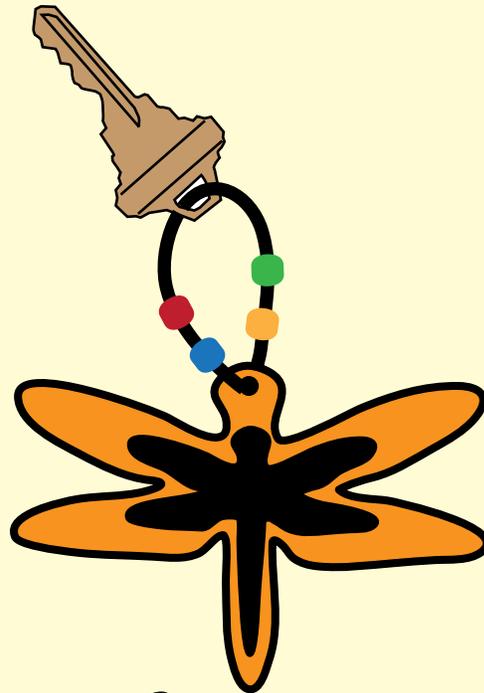


## ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

*Be sure project is completely dry before assembly.*

**ADD A CORD AND BEADS  
TO MAKE A VARIETY OF  
PERSONALIZED PROJECTS:**

- Neck Cord
- Waist Cord
- Key Fob
- Zipper Pull
- Hair Band
- Luggage ID Tag



*HINT: To keep cut cord ends from unraveling, put a drop of classroom white glue on any cut end and let it dry completely.*