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*Leathercraft
Projects To-Go*



Communication Theme WRISTBAND

*Plus A Look At
"How We Communicate"*

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 Leather Wristband Projects:**

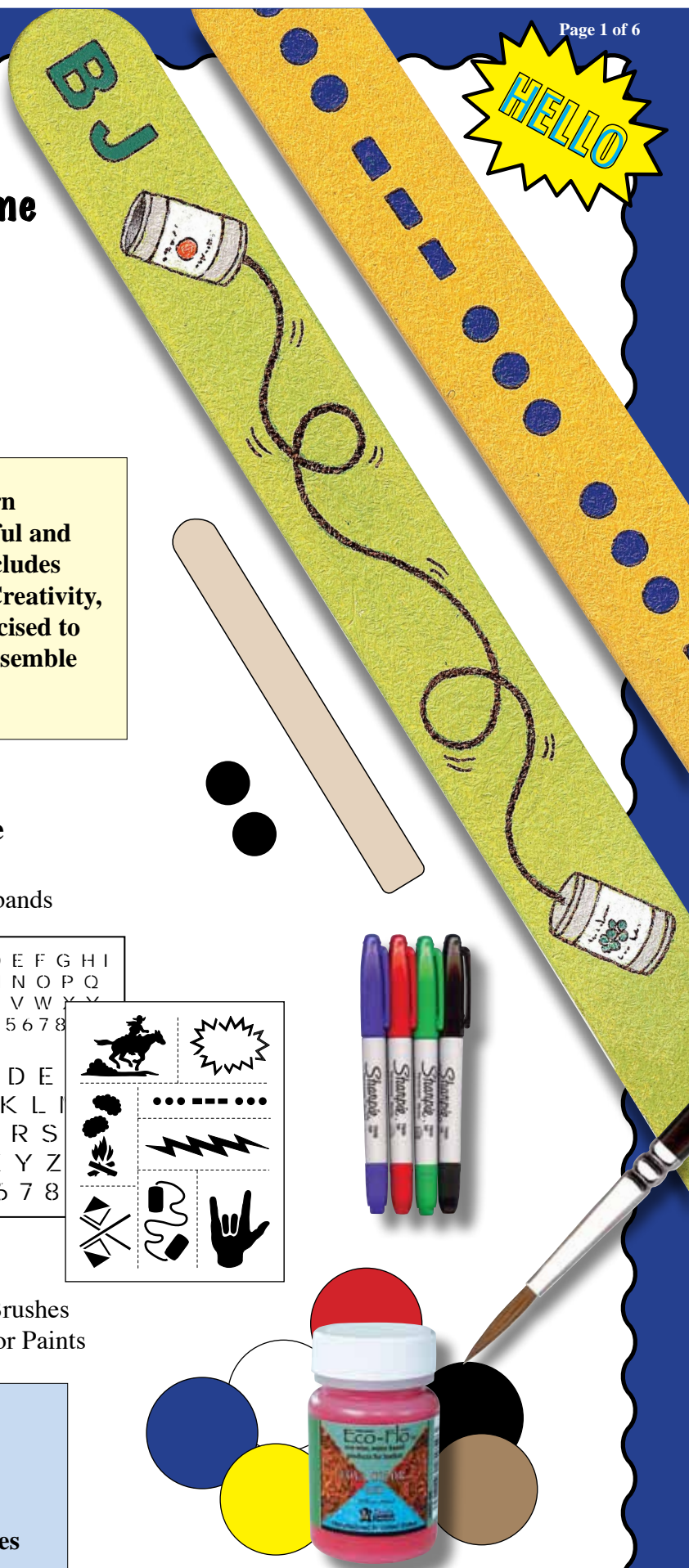
- Pre-Cut Veg-Split Suede Leather Wristbands
- Hook & Loop Fasteners
- Cova Color® Acrylic Paints
- Brushes
- Sharpie Markers
- Stencils
- Design & Coloring Ideas
- Complete Instructions



YOU WILL or MIGHT NEED:

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

CLASSROOM TIME:
Minimum of 3 Sessions:
Size & Design = 45 minutes
Color the Projects = 45 minutes
Assemble the Projects = 45 minutes



GETTING STARTED:

SESSION 1 - Sizing & Design:

- Copy sizing instructions on page 6 (or demonstrate). Hand out leather wristbands for sizing.
- Copy the blank templates on page 5, cut apart on dotted lines and hand out along with pencils for planning designs before applying paint and markers to the leather.
- Cut stencils apart on dotted lines and hand out for planning designs.

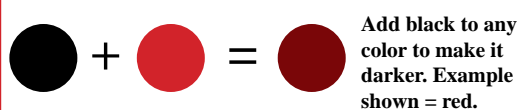
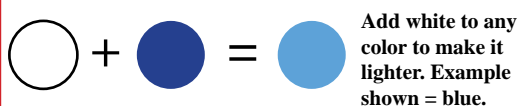
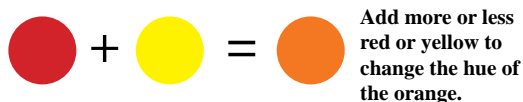
SESSION 2 - Color:

- Hand out leather part to each student.
- Share Sharpie Markers, paints & brushes or use additional classroom supplies. 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.

How Do We Communicate?

Communication is a learned skill and there are two major categories: Auditory (verbal) methods such as speaking, singing and tone of voice. Second there is nonverbal or physical methods of communicating such as body language, sign language, touch, eye contact, use of writing and other symbols.



Communication is also the articulation (or expression) of a message through different media whether it be verbal or nonverbal. Historic media included smoke signals, letters by pony express, telegraph using Morse Code, telegrams, printing press handbills and newspapers, early telephones with party lines, and radio. More recent ways include radar, sonar, television, movies, satellites, cell phones, recorders, CDs, DVDs, computers, the internet and mental thought wave responders.

Most people are born with the ability to talk. However, the use of this ability must be learned. Words, tone of voice and volume must be learned. Some people are born deaf, so their ability to talk must be learned differently from those who hear, using sight and touch. Communication most often relies on learning to read, comparing and exploring with ones senses: sight, touch, taste, smell and hearing.

Did You Know: The ancient Egyptians communicated to their people and enemies by constructing large intimidating temples and tombs decorated with carvings and picture writing called hieroglyphics. These were symbols communicating their strength and lasting power.

Hundreds and thousands of symbols have been used throughout history to communicate messages without using words. In medieval times, large churches were covered with carvings, stained glass picture windows and paintings which were used to communicate religious teachings because most of the population that attended services couldn't read.

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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:

- Re-copy the Instructions on page 6 if necessary and hand them out along with hook & loop fasteners.
- Practice before class and then demonstrate the steps.

ABOUT THE LEATHER:

The leather used for this project is called veg-split leather cut from cowhide. Both sides are rough or suede. The grain side (smooth top side) of this particular cut of leather has been removed.

Veg-split leather can be decorated with stencil design ideas or let the student use their imaginations and creativity.

The project for this lesson will be colored using acrylic paints and colored markers.

History Continued:

Did You Know: Animals of all forms communicate between themselves and with others through response to touch, the sun and climate. Have you ever heard that you can tell if winter is over and spring has begun by watching the trees bud and flowers bloom? This is a form of communication.

Did You Know: Commanders of ships communicated by means of flags, lanterns, lights and the infamous “warning signal” which usually meant a “cannon shot across the bow”. When coming close to land, a light house’s mirrored lanterns communicated the position of the coast line to the ship. In times of emergency, flares were used to communicate the need for help and to mark a location for rescue.

Did You Know: Air traffic controllers communicate with aircraft by means of radar and radio transmissions. Once on the land, the landing crew communicates with the pilots using flags and arm gestures.

Our ways of communication continue to expand with new technology. It is our human job to learn how to interpret the messages better and respond appropriately to the communication.

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.

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

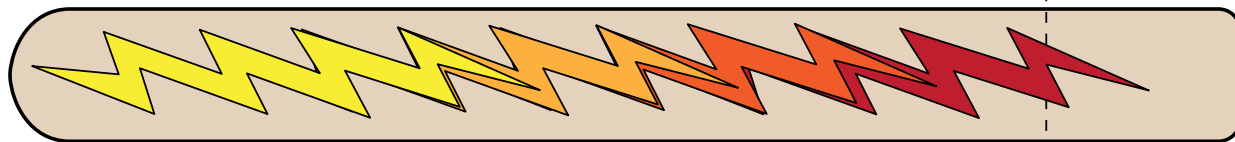
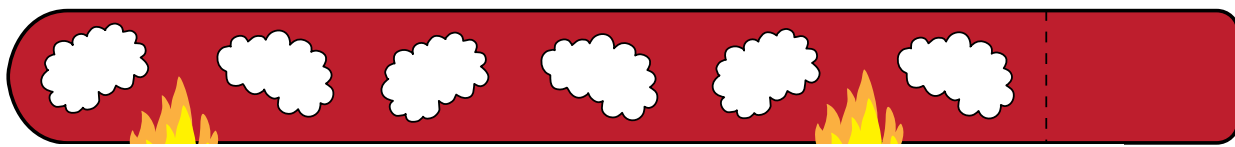
Tannins - Yellowish substance from oak bark and other plants used to tan leather.

Veg-Split - Vegetable-Tanned leather can be split (layered) into two pieces: one with the grain (top hair side) and one with the rough surface on both sides. Veg-split is the rough surfaced layer.

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. Be sure to paint the backside of the wristband too.

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.*

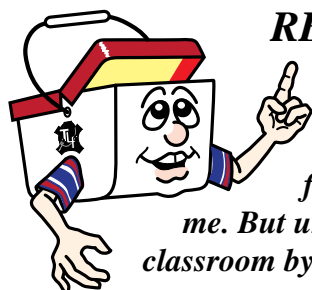


HINT: *To blend colors together like a rainbow, first wet leather, then apply Cova Colors. This technique will require a longer drying time (probably overnight).*

**Be Sure To Plan Designs On Paper
Before Drawing Or Using Color On The Leather**

CLASSROOM EXPANSION IDEAS:

- ~ Study the use of symbols, flags & Morse Code used for communication.
- ~ Study the oldest and newest forms of communication used by the students' ancestors and families.



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 to students.

The page contains four identical vertical templates arranged side-by-side. Each template is a white rectangle with a rounded top and a rounded bottom. A vertical dotted line runs down the center of each template, indicating where to cut. The templates are set against a dark blue background with a decorative, wavy white border.

SIZING & ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS:

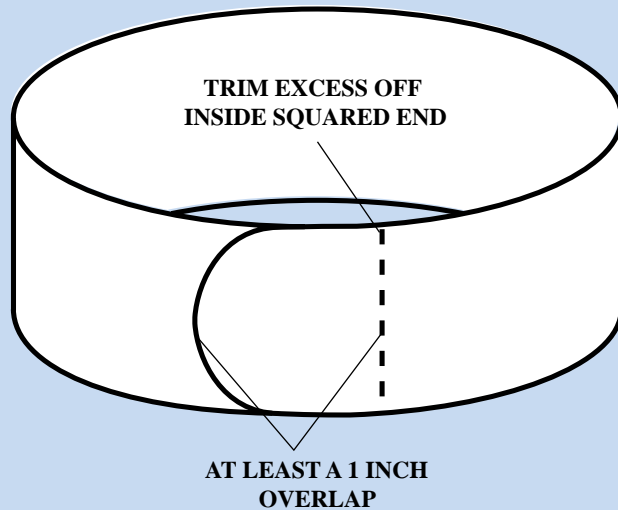
SIZING THE WRISTBAND:

Wrap band around wrist (or ankle).

NOTE: *There needs to be at least one inch overlap to allow for the hook & loop fastener to be installed later.*

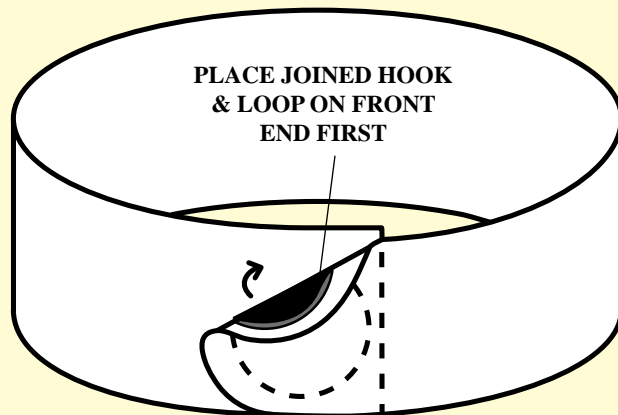
Trim off any excess wristband on the inside (square end) of band using sharp classroom scissors.

Now use the blank template to plan your designs. Be sure wristband is completely dry before installing the hook & loop fastener.



INSTALLING THE HOOK & LOOP FASTENER:

- Lock hook & loop parts together.
- Peel paper off of one side.
- Position sticky side on underside of front end. Press firmly to adhere.
- Peel paper off other side of fastener.
- Wrap band around wrist (or ankle) and press hook & loop sticky side onto the band. Press firmly to adhere.



TAKING CARE OF YOUR PERSONALIZED LEATHER WRISTBAND

- A leather wristband shouldn't go wherever your hands go. In other words, try not to get the wristband wet.
- If the leather band does get wet, wipe off the moisture as soon as possible using a soft dry paper towel or cotton cloth.