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*Leathercraft
Projects To-Go*

Environment Theme On Natural Leather BOOKMARK

*Plus A Look Into "The Study
of Our Earth's Ecology"*

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 Bookmark Projects:

- Pre-Punched Veg Split Suede Leather Bookmarks
- 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 Cutting Cord
- Classroom Markers, Acrylic Paints & Brushes
- Plastic Palettes, Plates Or Wax Paper For Paints

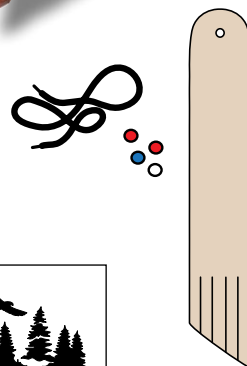
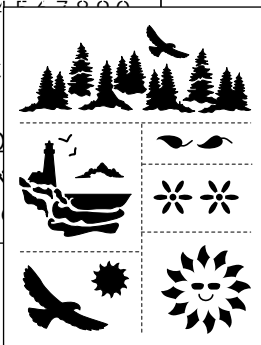
CLASSROOM TIME:

Minimum of 3 Sessions:

Design = 45 minutes

Color the Projects = 45 minutes

Assembly = 45 minutes



GETTING STARTED:

SESSION 1 - Design:

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

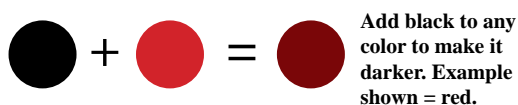
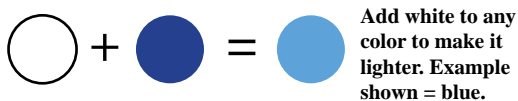
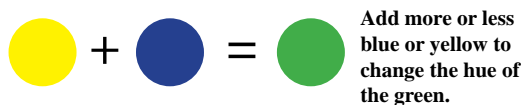
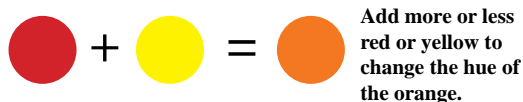
SESSIONS 2 - Color:

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

(SEE PAGE 3 FOR SESSION 3)

MIXING 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.

What Is The Study Of Ecology?

Ecology is the scientific study of the relationship between all living things to each other and to what's around them. The word ECOLOGY comes from the Greek words meaning "study of the household." Through time the word has come to be used for a broader, larger meaning: "the study of the earth". Ecology includes how living things interact with each other, and with their environment such as the climate and soil.

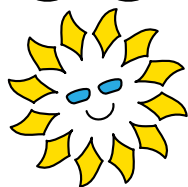
Ecologists are scientists who study ecology. Some ecologists are specialized in their study, meaning they study a specific species of animal or just a particular environment. Other ecologists study many different species and how they interact with nature. There are many species and environments still to be discovered.

Did You Know: A natural rainforest plays a large part in the well being of our earth? The forest is not only the home to thousands of animals and organisms, but also the source of thousands of medicines used to help cure sickness and diseases. Trees help to create the air we breathe.

What is "global warming"? Global warming is the increase in the average temperature of the Earth's near-surface air and oceans. Human activity since the industrial revolution has caused damage to the atmosphere and the protective ozone layer around earth allowing harmful radiation to get through. This increases the temperature of our oceans, melting the earth's ice caps, causing damage to our land and human life.

What does "going green" mean? Going green means actively working to protect our wilderness, animals, clean up industrial pollution that not only hurts the air we breath, but poisons the water we drink. These poisons kill all animals, those living in the water and those who drink it. These poisons pollute the ground we grow our food in, thus transmitting harmful chemicals into our bodies.

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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:

- Cut cords in half.
- Copy the Instructions on page 6 and hand them out to each student along with the half cords and beads. Scissors might be needed to trim the cord.
- Practice before class and then demonstrate the assembly 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.

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

History Continued:

Did You Know: “Earth Day” was first celebrated on April 22, 1970. Before that time, protecting our earth’s natural resources was not an important political or cultural effort. By 1990, Earth Day went global with over 200 million people in over 140 different nations participating. This participation is great, but the work to cleanup and save our earth is still ahead of us.

Fun ways to get in touch with our earth:

- Look up at the night sky at the moon and star constellations (or clouds in the daytime).
- While blindfolded, try to correctly identify different objects from nature (flowers, leaves, berries, etc.) using your other senses: touch, smell and hearing.
- Walk through a forest and identify the different sounds and smells.
- Share your favorite special place in nature by describing it based on your five senses: sight, smell, touch, sound and taste.
- Collect 12 small objects found in nature. Take an empty egg carton and go on a scavenger hunt finding the items. Then write about them describing their importance to nature.

The project for this lesson is to make a natural leather bookmark decorated with the earth and environment theme.

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.

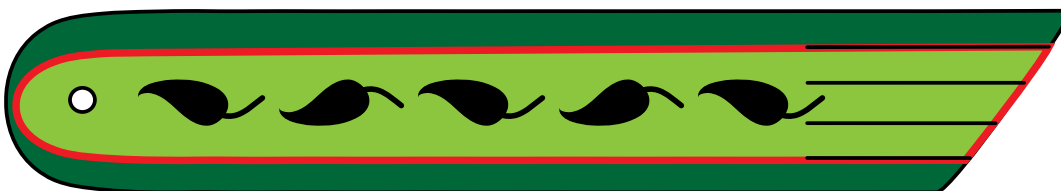
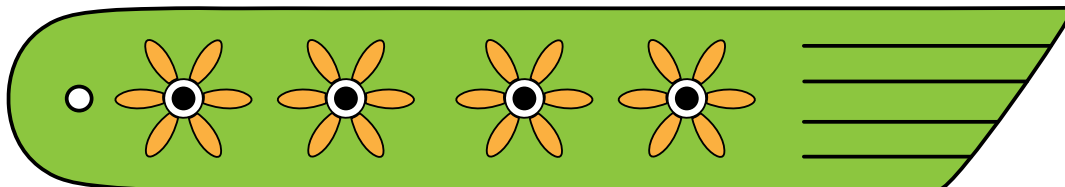
Tanning - The process using tannins to change a fresh animal hide into leather.

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.

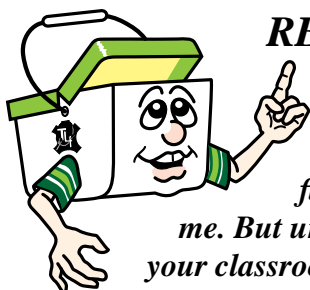


COLORING HINT: *To make bright or light colors stand out on a darker background, paint bright or light colors first. Then fill in background around them with a darker color. Or, put a wash over the area, let dry, then come back and paint the designs in white. Let white dry completely (few minutes), then add desired colors on top of the white.*

Plan Designs On Paper Before Stamping Impressions Into The Leather

CLASSROOM EXPANSION IDEAS:

- ~ Study the different ways we can help our environment.
- ~ Study and compare the daily activities of our ancestors to ours and see who was living more earth friendly.
- ~ Discuss the changes in our environment over the last 100 years.

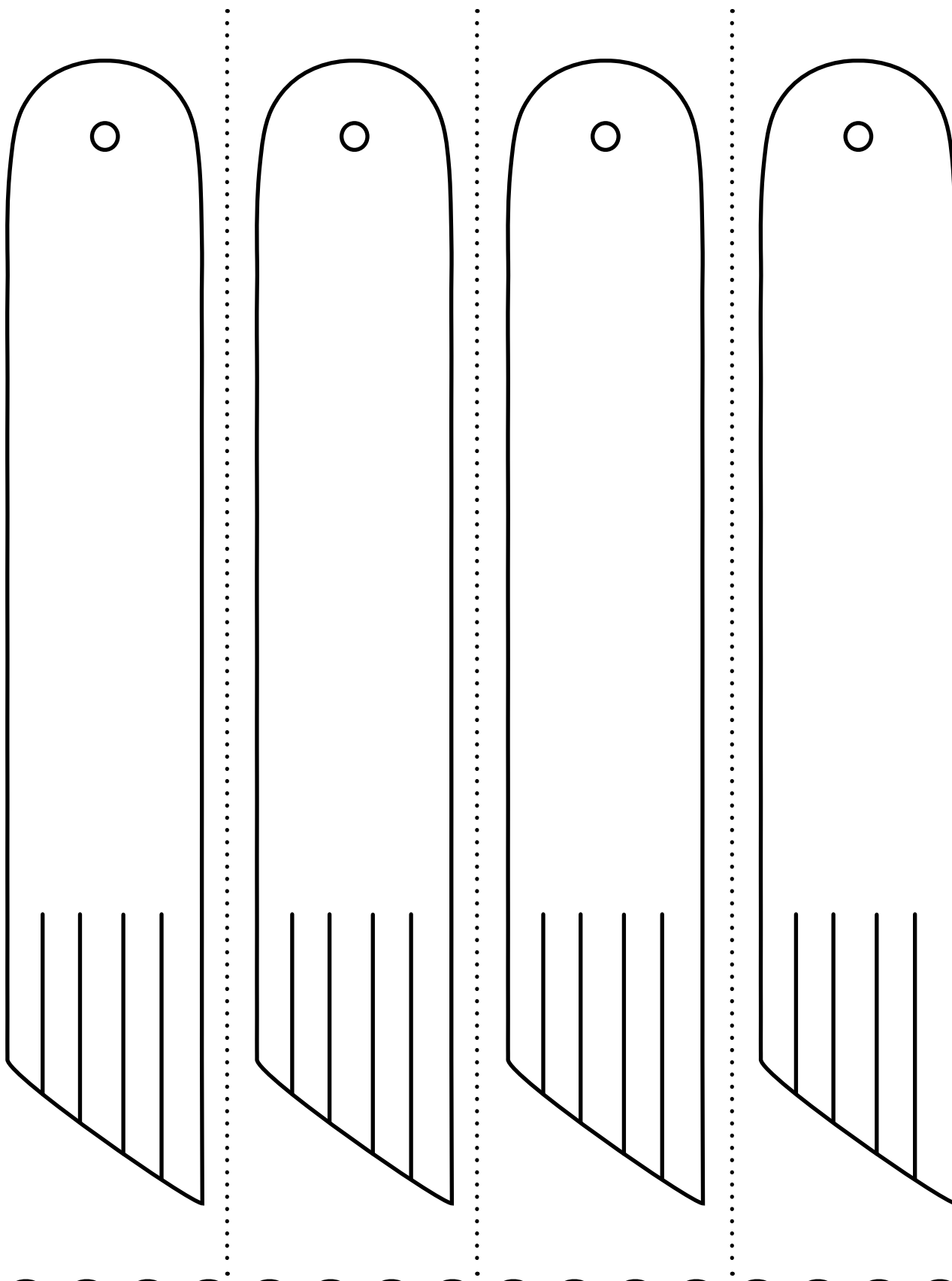


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“I am your Theme Bucket - be sure to recycle me! I would like to end up in your closet with many of my friends. I could store art supplies, extra leather project parts, or even help you organize your files. Create a new label for me so I can help you 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.

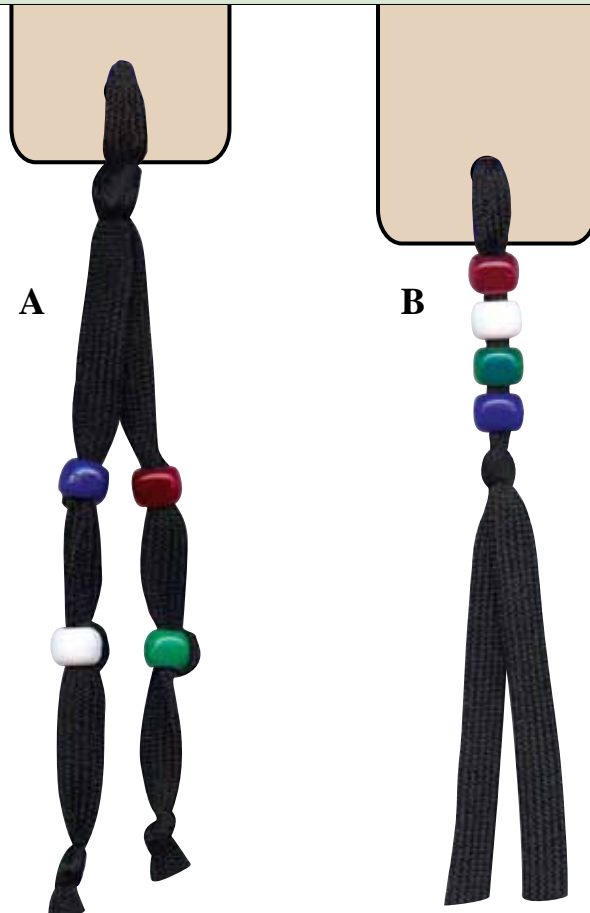
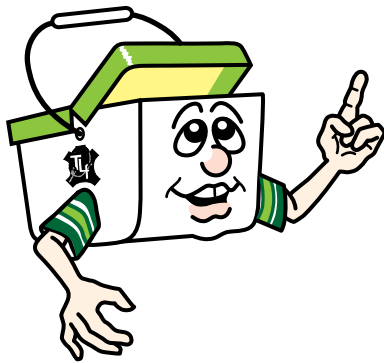


ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS:

There are so many different ways to decorate the bookmark using beads and cord. Here are just a couple of examples. Have fun creating your own designs.

OPTIONAL KEY FOB:

- String beads on cord as shown in Sample A or B instructions below.
- Before tying knots in the ends of the cord, add a key.
- Then tie both cord ends together in a knot to secure the key.
- Trim off excess cord.



BEADING SAMPLE A:

- Use 1/2 of a cord.
- Push tip of cord through bead.
- Then bring cord over edge of bead and back through the same hole again.
- Repeat on second bead.
- Stitch through hole. Tie a knot close to the leather. Pull cord tight.
- Then add a 3rd & 4th bead.
- Tie a knot in the ends of cord.
- Trim off excess cord.

BEADING SAMPLE B:

- Use 1/2 of a cord.
- Push tip of cord through all four beads.
- Then stitch through hole.
- Push tip of cord back through all four beads. Push beads up to edge of leather, but not too tight.
- Pull cord straight.
- Tie a knot in the cord ends together or separate.
- Trim off excess cord.

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