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Leathercraft Projects To-Go

Halloween Real Leather GREETING CARD

*Plus A Look Back Into The
History of "Halloween"*

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 Everlasting Card Projects:

- Pre-Cut Veg-Tan Leather Greeting Cards
- Cova Color® Acrylic Paints
- Brushes
- Sharpie Pens
- Stencils
- Design and 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:

Design = 45 minutes

Color the Projects = 45 minutes

Continue Coloring = 45 minutes



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GETTING STARTED:

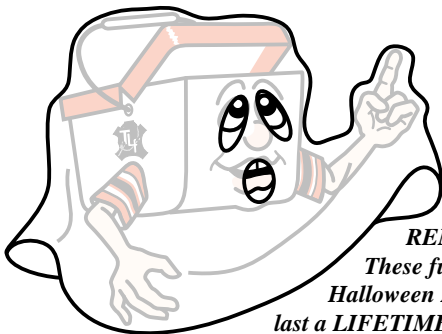
SESSION 1 - Design:

- 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.
- Cut stencils apart on dotted lines and hand out for planning designs.

SESSION 2 - Color:

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

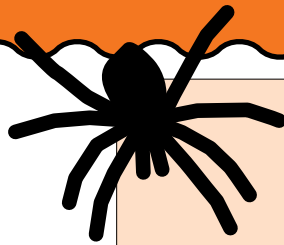
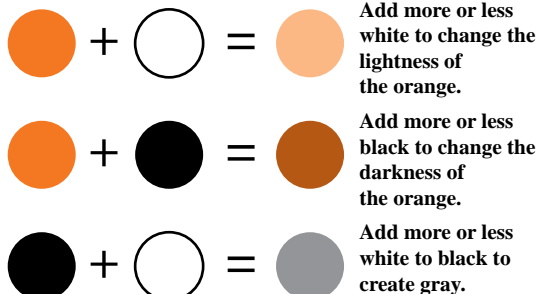
(SEE PAGE 3 FOR SESSION 3)



REMEMBER ~
These fun & special Halloween Projects can last a LIFETIME because they are made from real leather and will reflect a fun time in the life of your students!

USING COVA COLOR® ACRYLIC PAINTS:

Special Halloween colors have been supplied in this Theme Bucket. There are many different hues (or shades) of these colors that can be created by mixing them together:



What Is The History Of Halloween?

Halloween has always been a mysterious, magical holiday full of superstitions. It began as a Celtic End-of Summer Festival during which many people felt nostalgic and longed for their deceased relatives and friends. These friendly spirits were encouraged to return to their homes by their loved ones setting places for them at the dinner table, leaving treats on the doorsteps and lighting candles to help them find their way back from the spirit world. Today's spirit ghosts are often thought of as more scary and fierce rather than friendly. Back in the time, the ghosts of the dead were to be honored and welcomed.

By the 800s, the influence of Christianity had spread into the Celtic lands. Pope Boniface IV designated November 1st as All Saints Day, a time to honor saints and martyrs. The celebration was also called All-Hallows or All-Hallow Mas (from Middle English Alholowmesse meaning All Saints' Day). The night before it began to be called All-Hallows Eve and eventually Halloween. It was celebrated the same way the original festivals were celebrated centuries ago with bonfires, costumes and parades.

As more and more immigrants came into America, the customs of European ethnic groups, Americans and Native Americans began to mesh. One new form of celebrating Halloween was "play parties", where neighbors would share stories of the dead, tell each other's fortunes, dance and sing. Colonial Halloween festivities also included mischief-making of all kinds.

After the Potato Famine of 1846, Irish immigrants fled into America bringing English traditions of dressing up in costumes and going house to house asking for food or money, a practice that eventually became today's "trick-or-treating".

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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 - Finish Coloring:

- Take your time painting the cards. Be sure to paint both sides.
- Add a personal message to one or both sides using the Sharpie pens.

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.



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.

Running Stitch - A very historic lacing technique where the lace is stitched in and out of a row of holes.



History Continued:

Between 1920 and 1950, the century old practice of “trick-or-treating” was strengthened in America. In theory, it was believed that families could prevent tricks from being played on them by offering the neighborhood children small tasty treats.

Did You Know: The practice of carving Jack O’ Lanterns out of pumpkins at Halloween originated from an Irish myth about a man named “Stingy Jack”. According to legend, Stingy Jack played a trick on the Devil, making a promise but then cheating the Devil. When Jack died, it was believed that God refused to let Jack enter Heaven because of his bad trick and the Devil too refused Jack from entering Hell. So it was believed that Jack roamed the earth with only one burning coal to light his way. Jack put the coal into a carved out turnip and he has been roaming the Earth with it ever since. The Irish began to refer to this ghostly figure as “Jack of the Lantern” and then “Jack O’ Lantern”.

Today, the celebration of Halloween is a fun event with costumes, trick-or-treating and parties. The project for this lesson is to make a long-lasting leather greeting card decorated with Halloween designs drawn and painted.

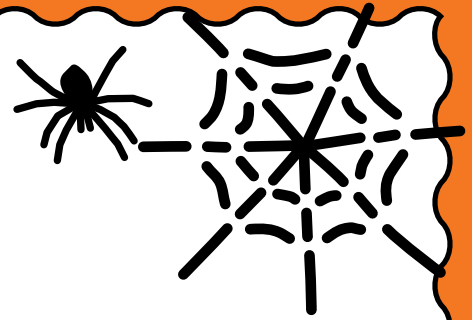
Superstition - Any belief that is contrary or not based on actual facts or rational thought, but rather the supernatural.

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

Whip Stitch - A very historic lacing technique where the lace is taken over the edge of the leather and then into the next hole.



CREATE DESIGNS USING STENCIL PATTERNS & YOUR OWN IDEAS



Here are some color & design ideas shown on the greeting card. 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 plan designs for both sides.

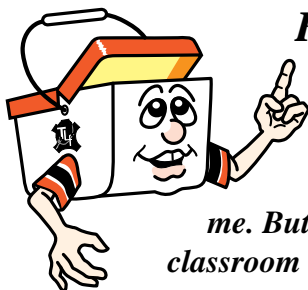
HINT: *To make bright or light colors stand out on a darker background, paint bright or light colors first. Then fill in background around them with a darker color. For even brighter colors, first paint the design that is to be bright with white acrylic paint. Let it dry completely (few minutes), then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



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

CLASSROOM EXPANSION IDEAS:

- ~ *Study more about the history of Halloween in the United States and other countries.*
- ~ *What are some of the superstitions of today that relate to Halloween? (Black cat crossing your path, broken mirrors giving bad luck, etc.)*
- ~ *How did the tradition of "bobbing for apples" start?*



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.

