



Hello and welcome to the third edition of the No Little Left Behind activities email. Thank you for subscribing and giving us something to make. Without you we would have nothing to work towards! Speaking of which, we have had a few more new subscribers, so yay, and had a little bit of feed back on the Jan and Feb emails. We've also started work on the discord for NLLB, and hope to have it ready to join soon so we can all get together and chat about stuff.

As you know March is a nice month, sometimes the start of spring, but who knows this year? It's been pretty cold here, and in a lot of places really. We hope you're staying warm, and that you enjoy the latest edition of the Monthly Activities.

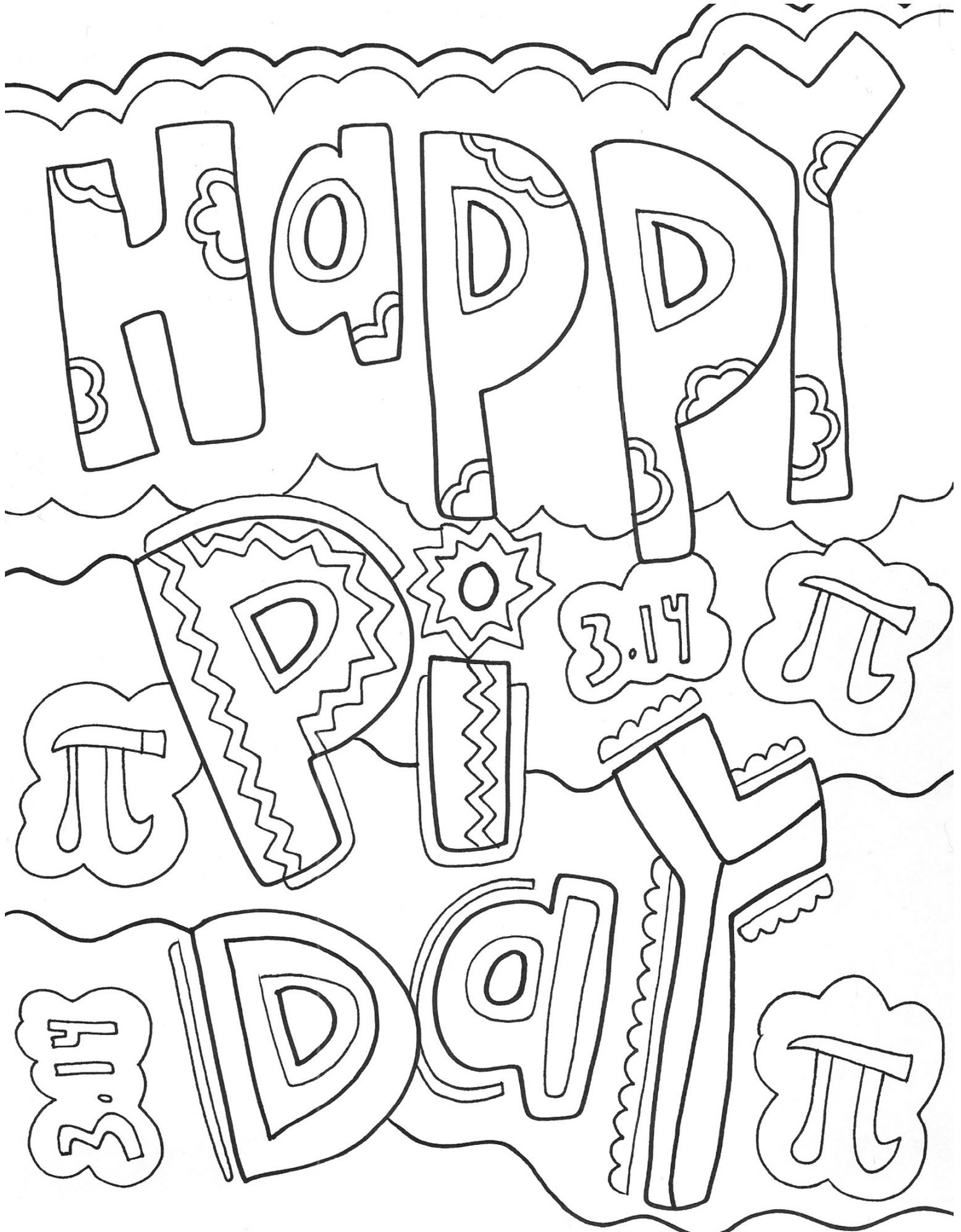
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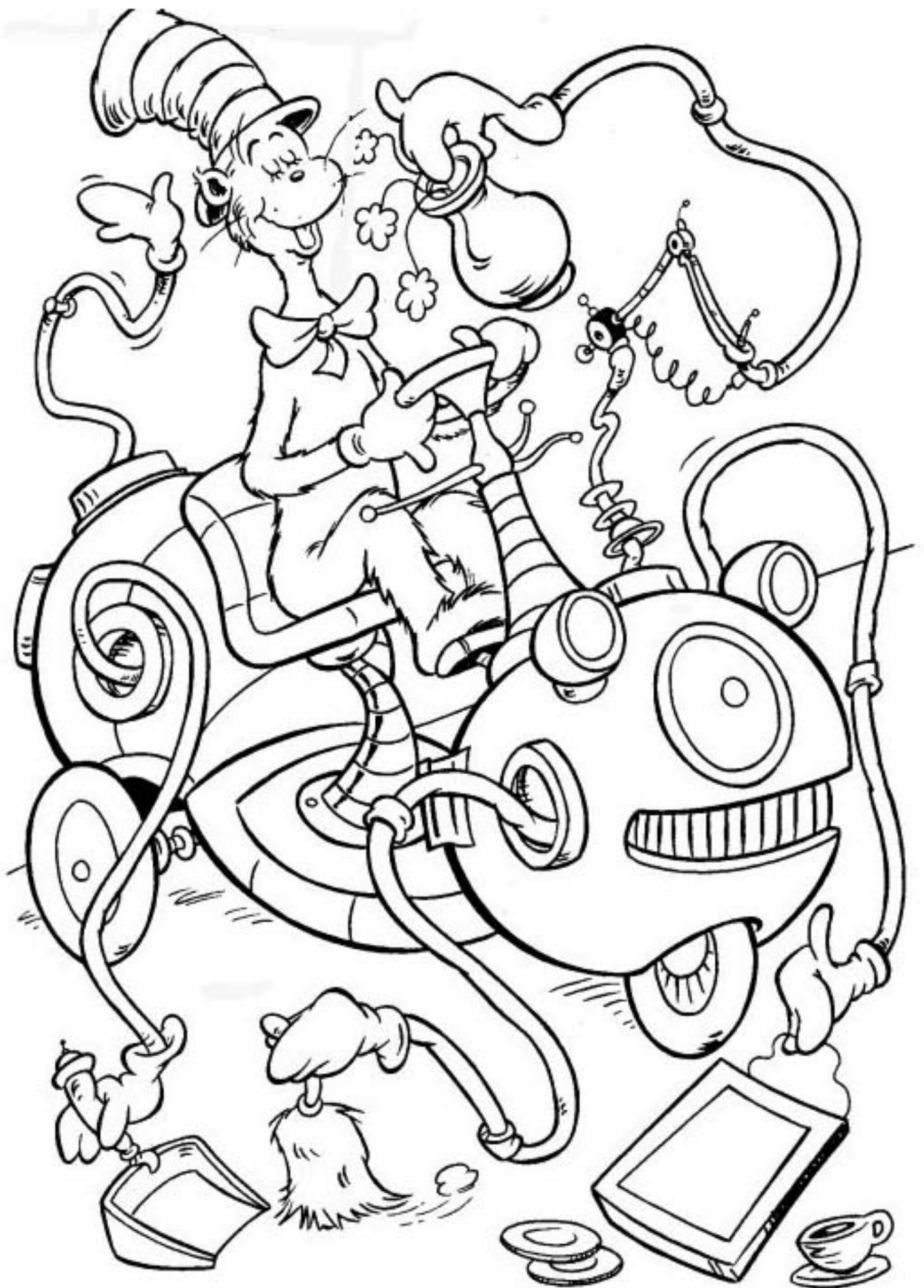
1) Don't forget to take pictures of all your work! If you send them to us by email (or dropbox) we will post them on "the fridge" and everyone can see your work! Maybe we'll even start doing a monthly competition, not sure what for yet, but we'll find something.











Paper Frog

Step 1:

are the base for craft. This can be color.



Step 2:

Cut a green paper strip for the body, glue the ends together to make a paper roll.



Step 3:

Apply glue to the paper roll.



Step 4:

onto the backing this is the base r frog.



Step 5:

Make another paper roll, a little bit smaller than the first one, this is your frogs head.



Step 6:

Cut two oval shapes for eyes and stick them onto the frog.



Step 7:

Add eyes. You can use googly eyes, stickers, or draw the eyes yourself.

**Step 8:**

Cut a pair of legs and stick them to the bottom of the body.

**Step 9:**

Cut a pair of arms and stick them to the top of the body.

**Step 10:**

Draw a mouth.

**Step 11:**

Cut a strip of paper for the frog's tongue and stick it below the mouth line.

**Step 12:**

All done! You have now made a paper frog!



Cupcake Liner Flowers

You will need:

- 1 Regular Cupcake Liner
- 1 Mini Cupcake Liner
- 1 Green (or colored) Popsicle Stick
- 1 Large Sticker Rhinestone (optional)
- Crafters Tape, or Elmers Glue
- Scissors



Step 1:

Start by picking your colors. One large and one small cupcake liner. Flatten them out a little bit so they are easier to fold. They don't need to be completely flat, but you will want to stretch and flatten them just a little bit.

Fold the cupcake liner in half, then in half again, then again, and then one last time. You'll be folding the cupcake liner in half FOUR times like the picture, so you will end up with eight petals. Repeat the steps with the mini cupcake liner as well.



Step 2:

Using a good pair of scissors, carefully cut a curve into the cupcake liners. Make sure you cut the curve low enough to give you a distinct petal shape when you open it up. If you didn't cut low enough, just fold it back up and cut again.



Step 3:

Unfold the cupcake liners. Gently shape the liners so the bright and bold color side is facing forward. Attach the smaller liner to the bigger liner using crafters tape or glue.



Step 4 (optional):

Add a rhinestone to the middle of the flower.



Step 5:

Fold a piece of construction paper in by about an inch and a half. Then cut two leaf shapes on the fold.



Step 6:

Use crafters tape, or glue, to attach the leaves to the back of the popsicle stick, then attach the popsicle stick to the back of the flower. Also if you want you can glue a clothes pin or magnet, or both, to the back of the flower and use then in other places.



You will need:

Markers or Paint Dabbers
Coffee Filter
Spray Bottle
Clothespin
Glue
Googly Eyes
Construction Paper

Things to Consider:

- 1) If you don't have coffee filters, you can use large paper towels cut into circles (trace a bowl!).
- 2) You can tie fishing line to your butterfly and hang it from the ceiling - a great way to display them! Or you can even glue magnet strips to the back of the clothespin.



Directions:

- 1) Using the paint dabbers (or markers), decorate a flattened coffee filter.
- 2) Once you are done, use a spray bottle to lightly mist the coffee filter. The paint/markers should start to blend together. *Note: don't spray too much water or play with the coffee filter, as they are very fragile when wet.
- 3) Set aside and allow your coffee filter to dry.
- 4) While that is drying, cut out the antennas from the construction paper and glue down. (Note: you can use pipe cleaners for this - just wrap them around the clothespin!)
- 5) Glue on the small googly eyes.
- 6) When the coffee filter is finished drying, pinch from top to bottom until the middle is completely scrunched up.
- 7) Clip your clothespin to the scrunched coffee filter.
- 8) Next, you're going to adjust the wings. Use your fingers to smooth it out some so that the coffee filter resembles wings.
- 9) You're done!

Paper Shamrock

You will need:

Scrap paper. Double sided looks best, or you can glue two pieces together to make double sided paper.

7 - 12"x2" Strips of paper.

7 - 10"x2" Strips of paper.

7 - 8"x2" Strips of paper.

Ribbon for Hanging.

Extra scraps of paper for center decoration and back pieces.

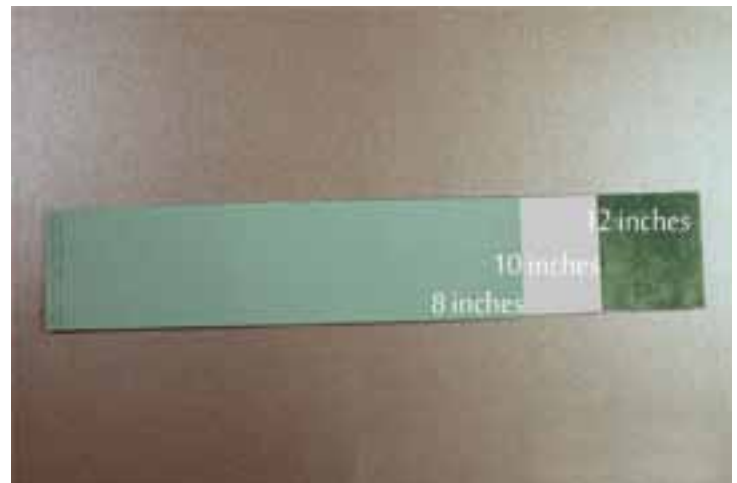
Hot Glue.

Note: You don't have to use the large strips of paper listed above, you can use smaller strips and make several smaller shamrocks.



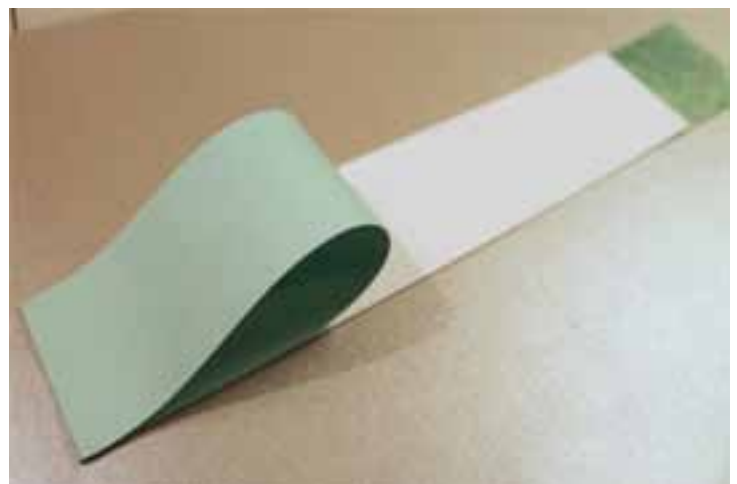
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Stack one of each size of paper together and glue them on one end.



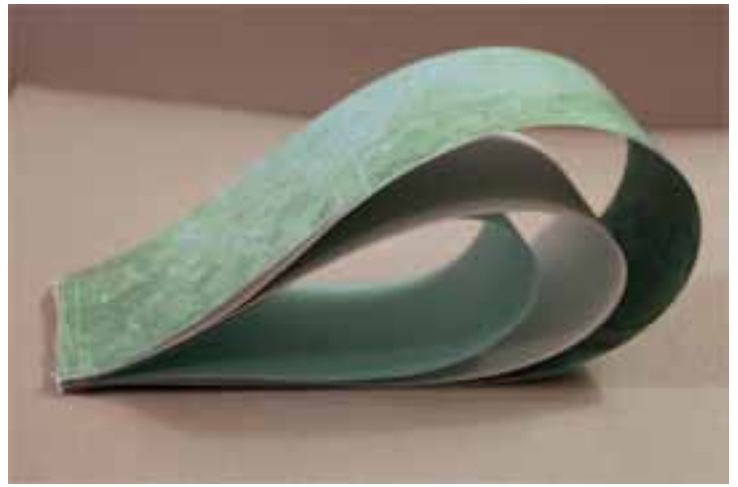
Step 2:

Loop the shortest piece over and glue the edge down.



Step 3:

Repeat with the other two pieces till you have a teardrop shape.



Step 4:

Repeat steps 1, 2, and 3 till you have made six teardrop. Group in twos and glue the ends together to form a heart shape.



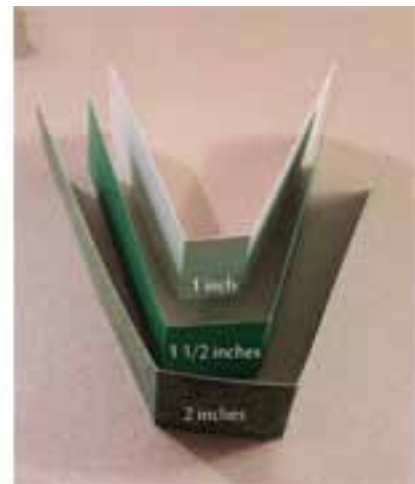
Step 5:

To make the stem you will be making two fold marks on each of the three strips you have left.

For the 12" strip, make a fold mark 5 inches from the left edge and 5 inches from the right edge, so that there are 2 inches between the two fold lines and the section between the folds is centered.

For the 10" strip, make one fold mark 4.25" from the left edge and 4.25" from the right edge, so that there are 1 1/2 inches between the two fold lines and the section between the folds is centered.

For the 8" strip, make one fold mark 3.5" from the left edge and 3.5" from the right edge, so that there is 1 inch between the fold lines and the section between them is centered.



Step 6:

Line up the ends and glue them all together.



Step 7:

Now assemble your shamrock. Cut out a small cardstock circle so you can have something to glue all those points to. Then you can add a little accordion fold medallion in the front center. It's cute and it hides the part where it's glued together.



Step 8:

Glue on a ribbon loop so you can hang it like a wreath. And there you have it, you're done!



You will need:

3 Mini Popsicle Sticks

1 Sharpie

Hot Glue Gun

Yarn

Directions:

First paint 3 mini popsicle sticks. Once the paint dries draw on a face and some toes. Then hot glued the turtle together.

Now we grabbed our colorful yarn and got weaving.

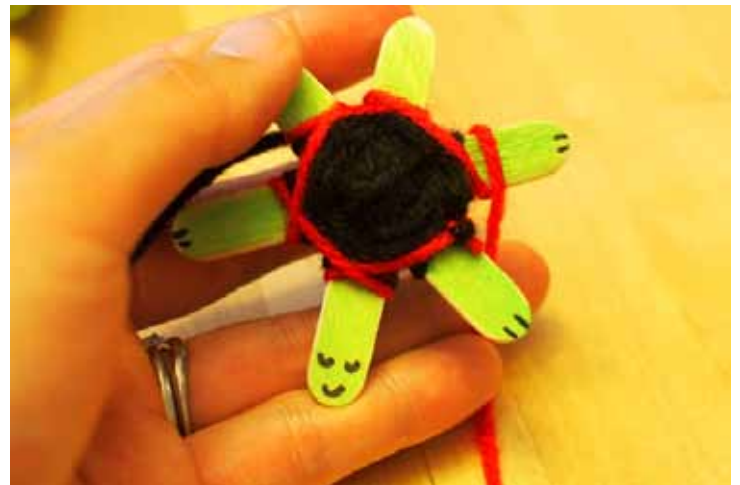
Tie on a piece of long yarn. Make sure to leave a bit of excess yarn so that you can tie the last piece of yarn to the first piece of yarn at the end.

Then, wrap the yarn around your turtle (across the center), making sure to cover the middle portion. (Wrap it around 2-3 times each time.)

Then, begin weaving just like you would with a normal two stick God's eye pattern. Placed your yarn over a popsicle stick, wrap it around once, and then placed your yarn over the next popsicle stick, and wrap it around... and kept repeating that process over and around the turtle

To change colors, simply tie on another piece of yarn.

Once you finish, tie your last piece of yarn to the first piece of yarn.



Homework/Writing Prompt

We're going to try something new in this edition. I've wanted to throw in something that was basically Homework. I know many enjoy it at times, and it's very popular on many discord servers. So I figured I would try it out. And also use it to help with site content if you all are willing. So as a beta test here is today's Homework/Writing Prompt:

In your opinion what makes a Little? Not what is a little, not what does someone have to do to be a little, but what makes a little.

I understand it's a very broad and open for interpretation, but that's kind of the point. I want people to really scratch their brain with this one and dig deep for an answer. And of course if any of you choose to post your essays to the site, that would be greatly appreciated and I would make sure to give you proper credit. If you choose to submit your work for only use on The Fridge, let me know, if you're ok with me using your work as an article, let me know that as well.

If you choose to write the prompt, and submit it, the easiest way right now is through email, or you can submit the document through the link to submit Fridge Photos.

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Oreo Brownies with Peanut Butter Drizzle

This is a very ooey-gooey brownie recipe with a little surprise Oreo crunch, and an amazing peanut butter drizzle.



PREP TIME

20 mins

COOK TIME

1 hr

TOTAL TIME

1 hr 20 mins



COURSE

Dessert

CUISINE

American



SERVINGS

24 Brownies

INGREDIENTS

Brownies

- 1 1/4 Cup Natural Chocolate Powder
- 1 Cup Brown Sugar
- 1 Cup Granulated Sugar
- 1/2 Cup All Purpose Flour
- 1/2 tsp Salt
- 8 Oz Butter
- 2 tsp Vanilla Extract
- 1 Sleeve Oreo Cookies About 12 or so

Peanut Butter Drizzle

- 1 1/2 Tbsp Peanut Butter
- 2/3 Cup Powdered Sugar
- 6 tsp water

INSTRUCTIONS

Brownies

1. Pre heat oven to 300° F.
2. Sift both sugars, coco powder, flour, and salt together.
3. Beat eggs till fluffy and yellow. Slowly mix in dry ingredients followed by the butter and vanilla.

4. Crush up Oreo's to desired size and add to brownie batter.
5. Mix until smooth then pour into a parchment lined baking pan.
6. Bake for 15 minutes, then remove from oven and let cool for 15 minutes.
7. Sprinkle nuts and chocolate chips on top of brownies and return pan to oven and bake for 30 more minutes.
8. Cool in pan for 30 minutes and remove brownies and transfer to a cooling rack. After about 10 mins cut up brownies and drizzle peanut butter frosting over them.

Peanut Butter Drizzle

1. Whisk together Peanut Butter and water till smooth.
2. Add in Powdered sugar and mix until combined. Allow to set a bit before drizzling over brownies.

NOTES

As you noticed, I used 2 silicone baking molds. If you use something similar, don't fill them up completely... I made that mistake, I could have easily made 3 trays worth, but I wasn't sure how much they would rise, and they are a bit higher than I would like. Also, if you do this kind of bake, I would also add in the Oreo's individually to the cavities. Most likely just put some in the bottom and then pour batter in, or I would try putting a little batter in, a few Oreo pieces, then I would pour more batter in. But they do rise a bit, so be prepared for this.

Also, when I made my Peanut Butter drizzle, I actually made it the day before, and it was a very good drizzle that day, the next day when I actually made the brownies, it was set a little more and wasn't a drizzle anymore, but wasn't really a frosting, it was a bit in the middle, and to me it was perfect. You could kinda let it drizzle, but if you didn't want to wait you could still spread it.

Extra Surprise:

As I'm sure you all know, it's that time of year where our favorite Scottish Clown has those green milkshakes we all have to have. Well just so you know, you can make them at home, and make them just how you want. Here is the easy way to do it.

- 1) Make a Vanilla Milkshake.
- 2) Add in green food coloring to your desired shade of green.
- 3) Add in peppermint extract till it reaches your desired taste.
- 4) Enjoy your rip off shake.

On a side note, I have a favorite milk shake you should try, I call it the Heaven Shake. It's half cookies and cream and half mint chip. In my opinion it's what the Scottish Green Shake of Luck wishes it was.

March Holidays

March 1st:

National Peanut Butter Lover's Day

March 2nd:

Dr. Seuss's Birthday, National Read Across America Day

March 3rd:

World Wildlife Day

March 4th:

National Grammar Day

March 5th:

World Book Day

March 6th:

National Oreo Cookie Day

March 7th:

Fun Facts About Names Day, National Cereal Day

March 8th:

International Women's Day

March 11th:

Johnny Appleseed Day

March 12th:

Plant a Flower Day

March 13th:

National K-9 Veterans Day

March 14th:

National Pi Day, Learn About Butterflies Day, National Potato Chip Day

March 15th:

The Ides of March

March 16th:

National Artichoke Day, National Panda Day

March 17th:

St. Patrick's Day

March 18th:

Absolutely Incredible Kid Day (third Thursday of every March)*

March 19th:

National Poultry Day

March 20th:

International Earth Day, First Day of Spring, International Day of Happiness*

March 21st:

International Day of Forests, World Poetry Day

March 22nd:

World Water Day

March 23rd:

National Puppy Day

March 24th:

National Cocktail Day

March 25th:

Tolkien Reading Day, International Waffle Day

March 26th:

Make Up Your Own Holiday Day

March 28th:

Respect Your Cat Day

March 29th:

National Mom and Pop Business Owners Day

March 30th:

Take a Walk in the Park Day

Nifty Notes

Next Month's Craft Supplies:

Still Deciding on April's Crafts...

This may be temporary filler text, or I may send out an email mid way through March to give you the list for April. It's been a very hectic month here, so we hope you will all forgive us.

****** Keep in mind, all craft supplies listed are just suggestions. You can do the crafts however you want, or not even do them at all.

Do any of the crafts how you want, it's all up to you, these are just suggestions so you can prepare for the next month.

General Notes:

- We've still had some interest from a few people in helping us out, with both content for the activities email, and with content for the site, as well as other things related to the NLLB site. We will of course keep you posted on both.

- I know I have said this many times, in many places, but I really can't say it enough, we are nothing without you all, and the only way people learn about us is all through word of mouth, you are our best advertisement. So if you like what we do, and enjoy it, share it with your friends, and tell them to sign up and help get the word out there.

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- We're always looking for ideas that we can put in with our activities. If you have any ideas, feel free to email us, we're always here!

- If you're an artist and feel like doing some original doodles/drawings for us we'd love anything you wish to give us, just keep it kiddo friendly of course. If you want to do some for free, awesome! If you want to do some to get paid, we can always talk about that, feel free to email us! Just know we don't really make any money right now, so we don't have much to go around.

- We're always accepting new recipes! If you want to submit a new recipe, head over to our other site, Mr. G's Cookbook, or email them to recipes@mrgscookbook.com.

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