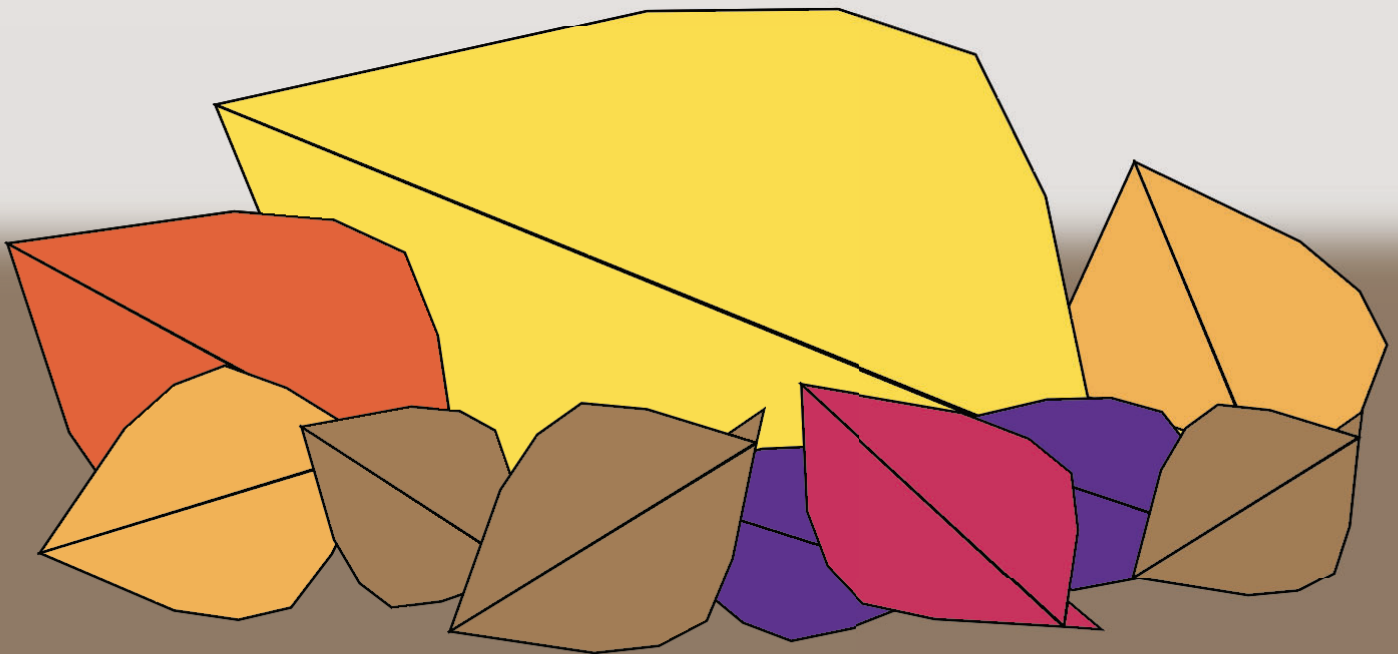
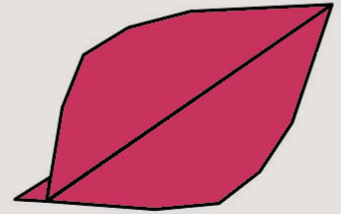


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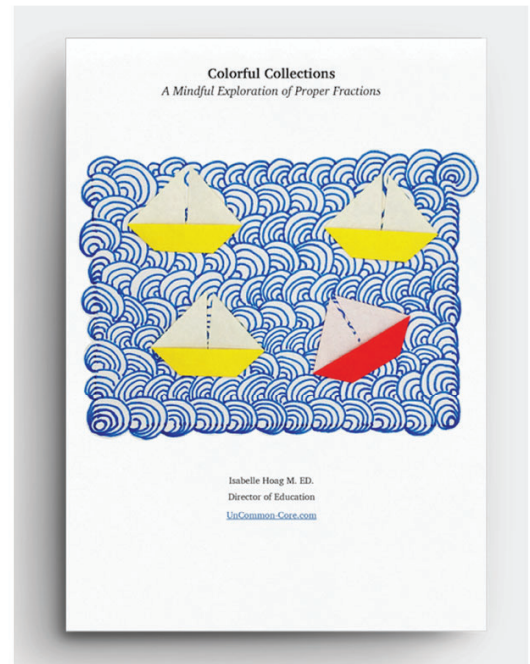
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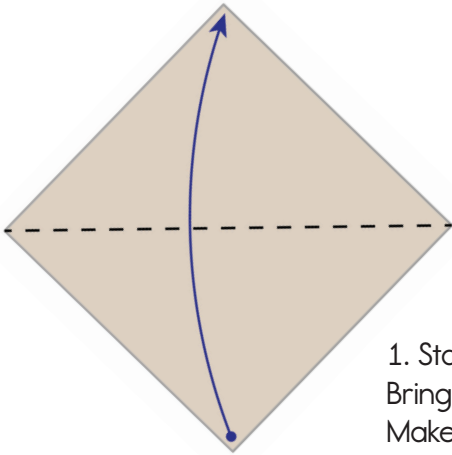
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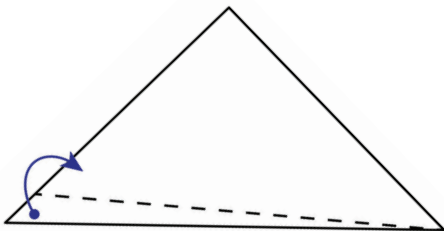
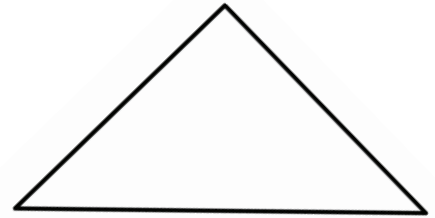
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This easy leaf is wonderful to teach young children or anyone new to origami. Since each real leaf is unique, the model does not require precise folding in order to look realistic. Folders will quickly figure out how to adapt the instructions to make leaves in all shapes. Leaves can be folded in various colors and sizes to match the season or the project.

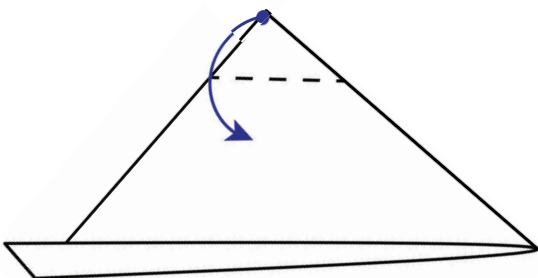
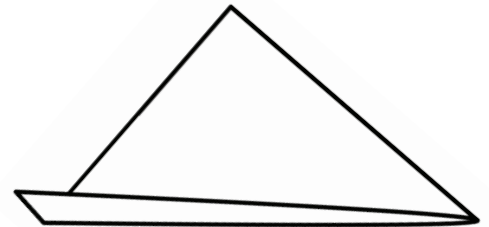
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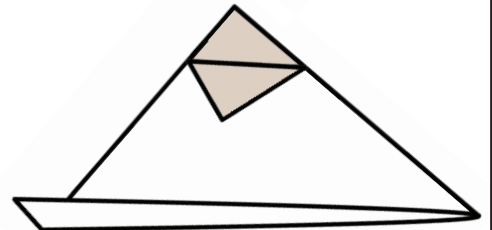
1. Start with colorful side of paper facing up.
Bring opposite corners together.
Make a diagonal crease to create a triangle.

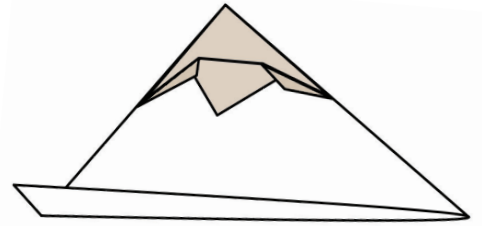
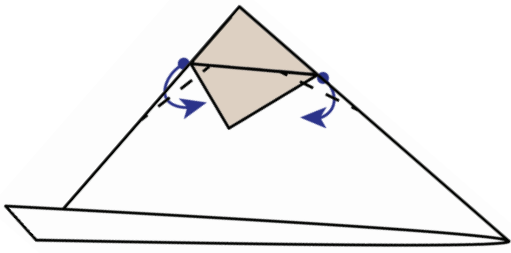


2. Fold up the longest edge of the triangle as shown.
Fold through both layers of paper.
This will become the stem.

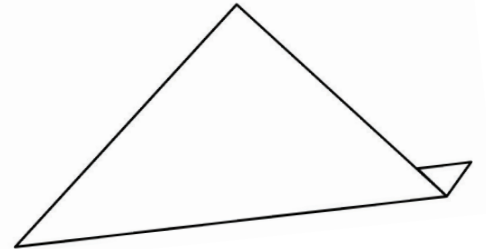
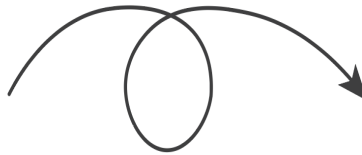
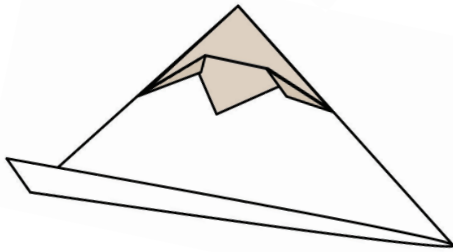


3. Fold down the tip of the upper layer of paper as shown.
This step begins to shape the side of the leaf.

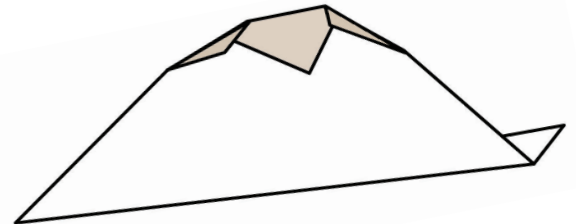
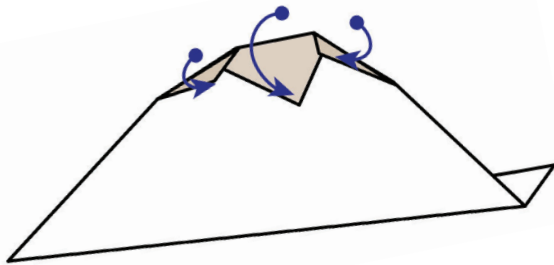




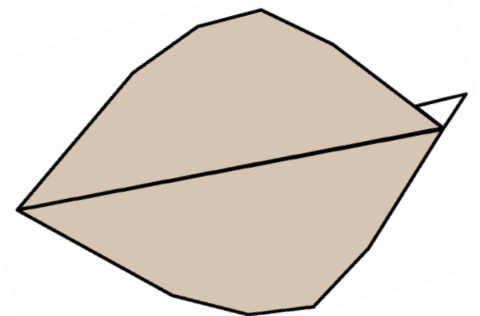
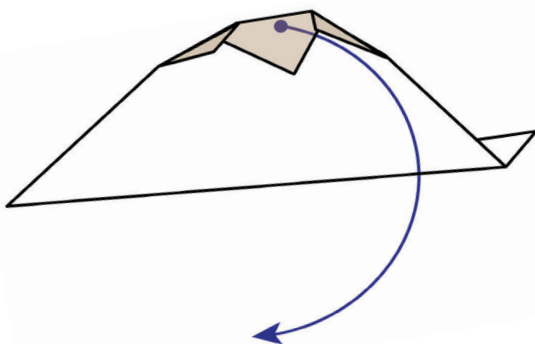
4. Make small folds on either side of the crease made in step three. This will make the side of the leaf curve nicely.



5. Turn over the paper. Now you can work on the other side of the leaf.

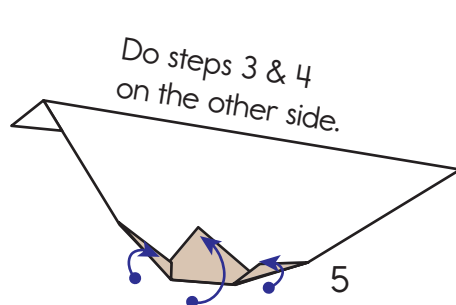
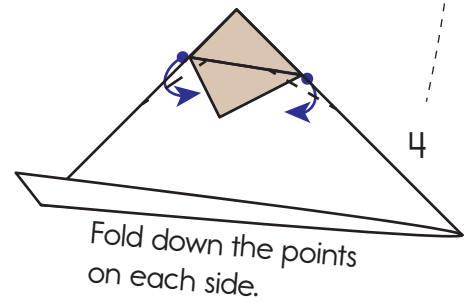
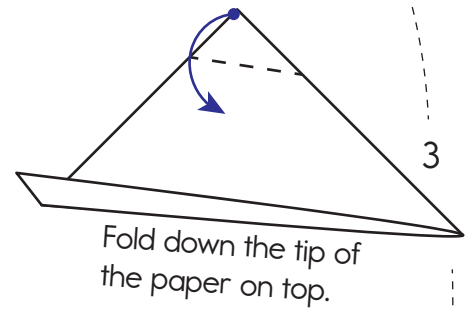
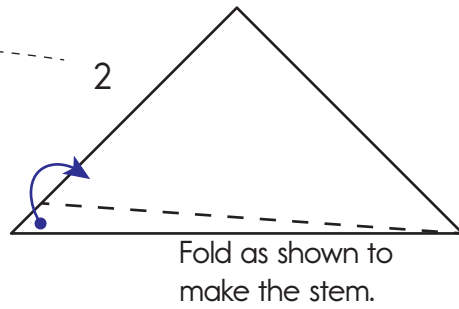
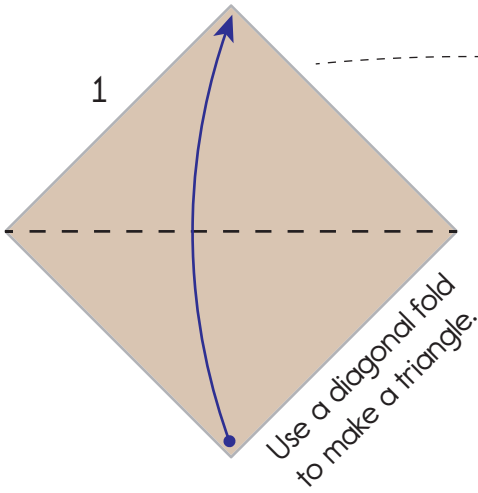


6. Repeat steps three and four on this side of the leaf. The leaf is almost done.

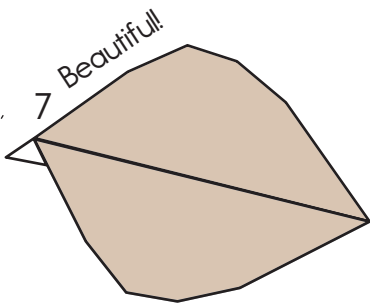
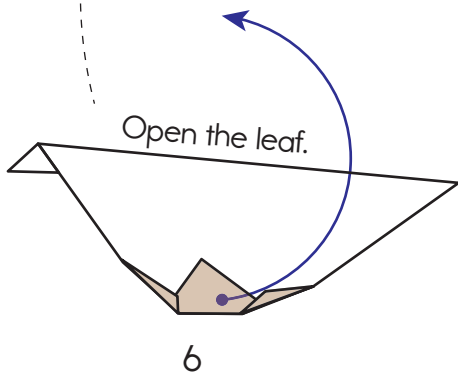


7. Lift up the top piece of paper to open the leaf. Reinforce the folds of the stem so the leaf will stay open.

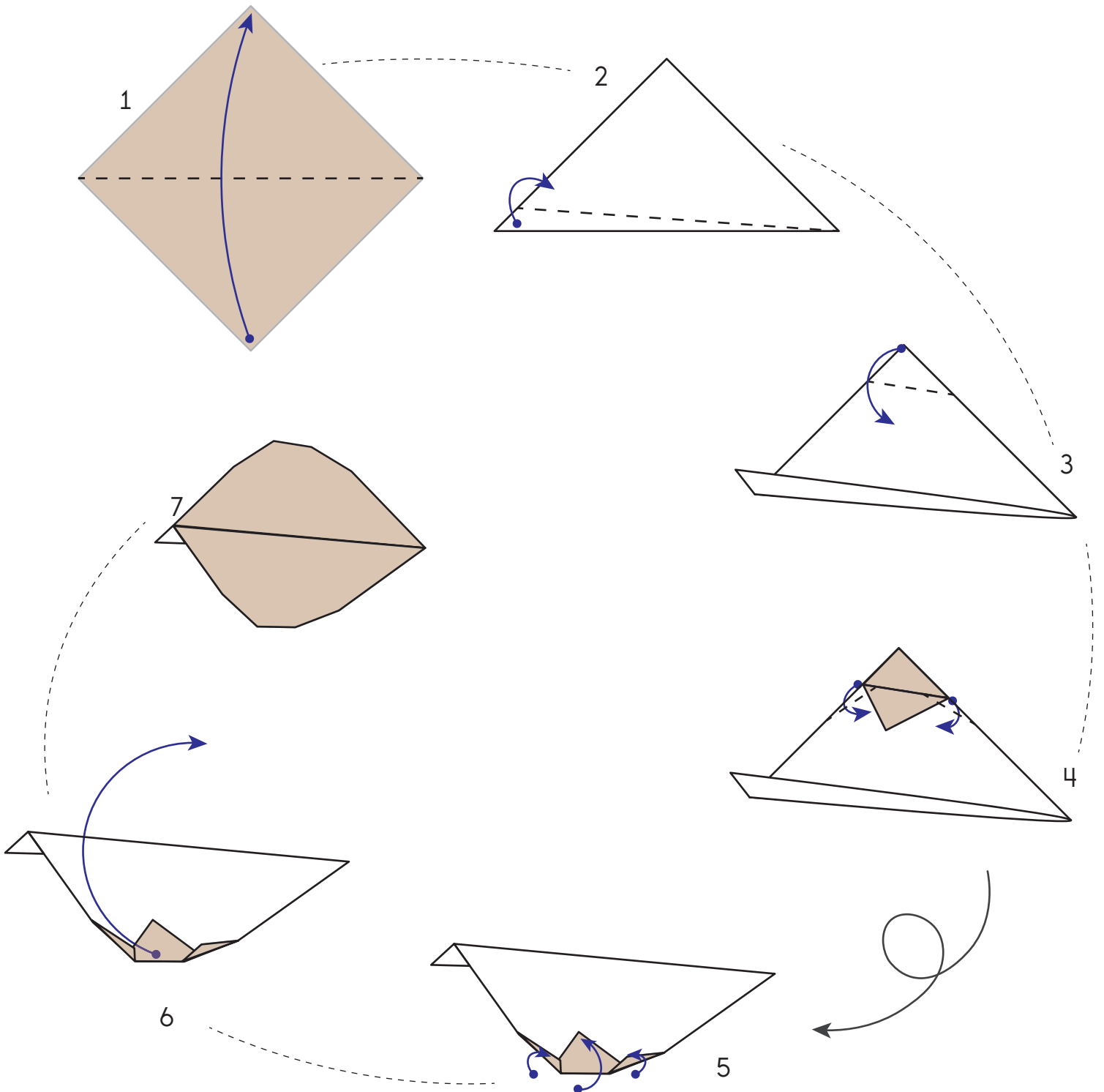
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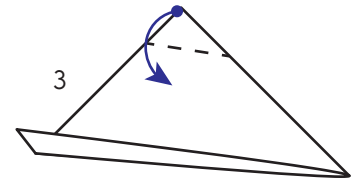
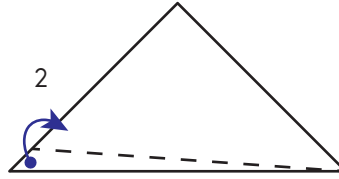
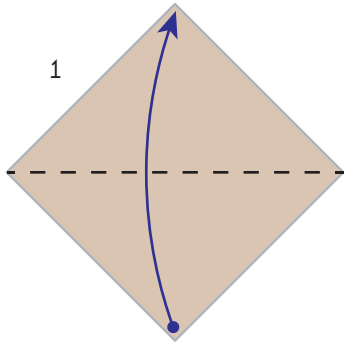


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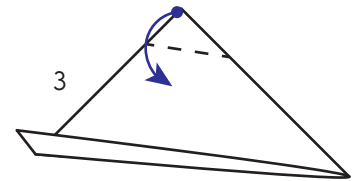
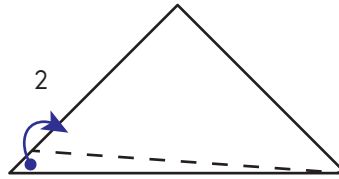
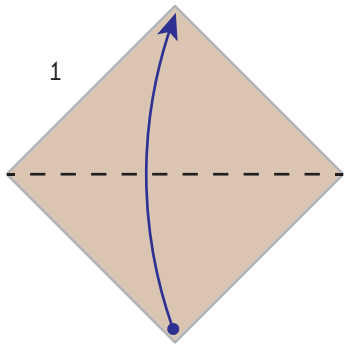
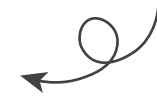
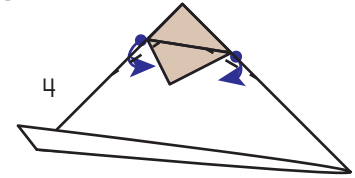
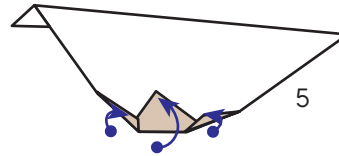
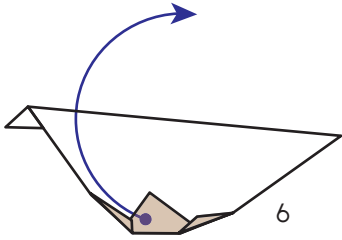
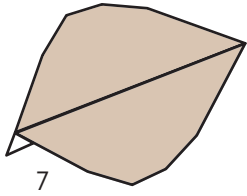


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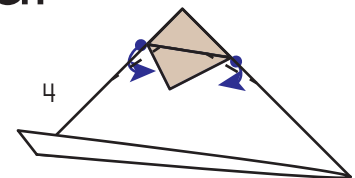
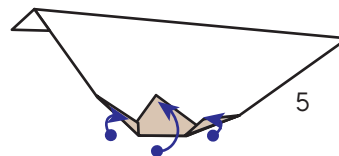
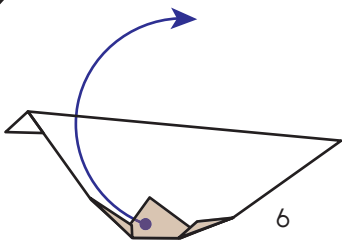
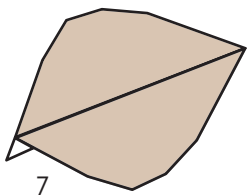




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Use this leaf all year!

The simple curved shape of this origami model makes wonderful frames or borders for bulletin boards, posters, writing paper, windows, or doors. This shape can also be used for flowers, feathers, flames, boats, sails, or the tip of a paint brush. Invite your class to create all kinds of posters hiding leaves as different things.

Hang them in the hall and invite other students to:

Find the leaf!

The following pages show ideas starring the leaves in decorations, posters, or just for using up the recycled paper. Most pages were included as inspiration, however there are a few that can be printed and used as writing or drawing paper.

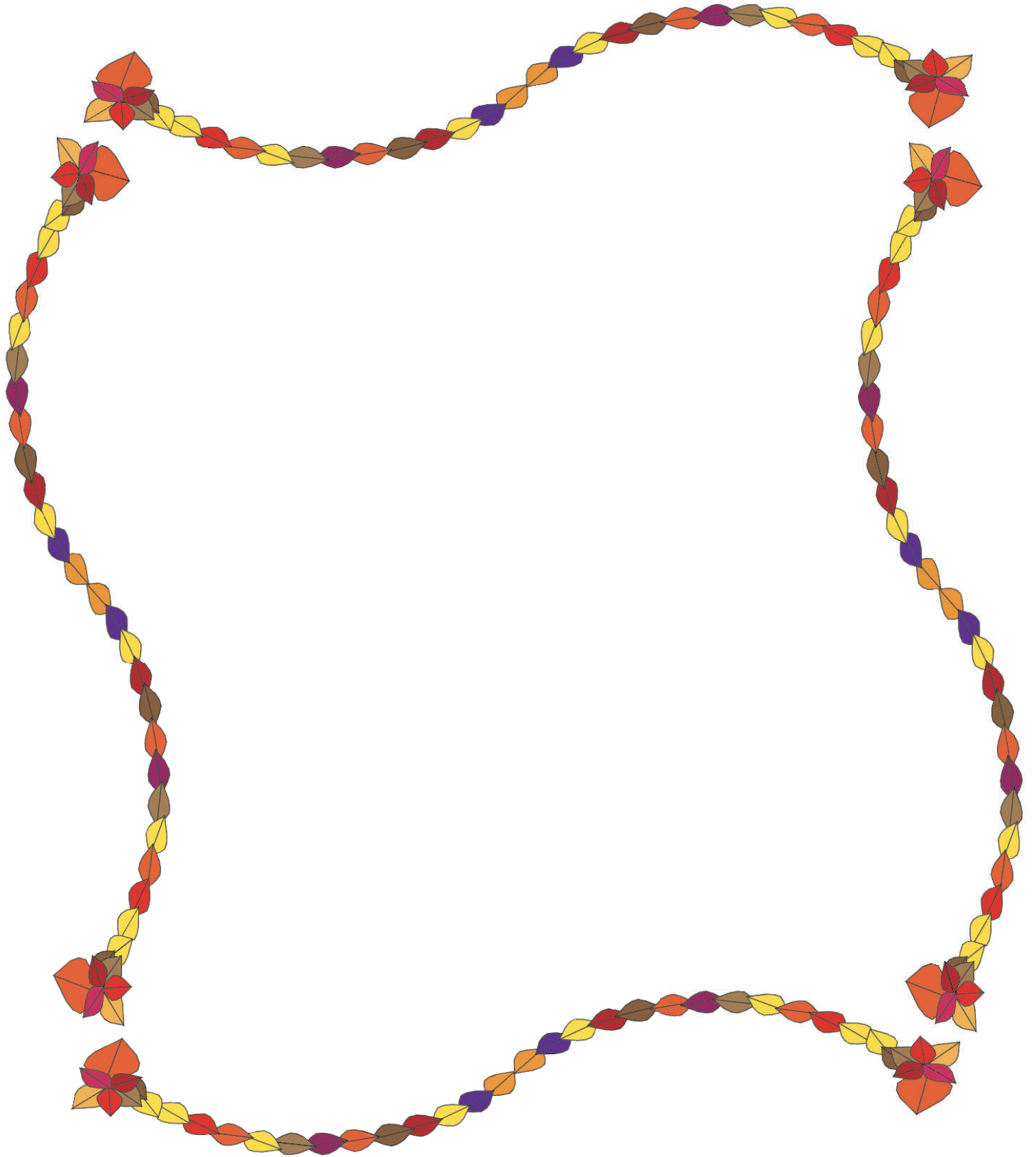


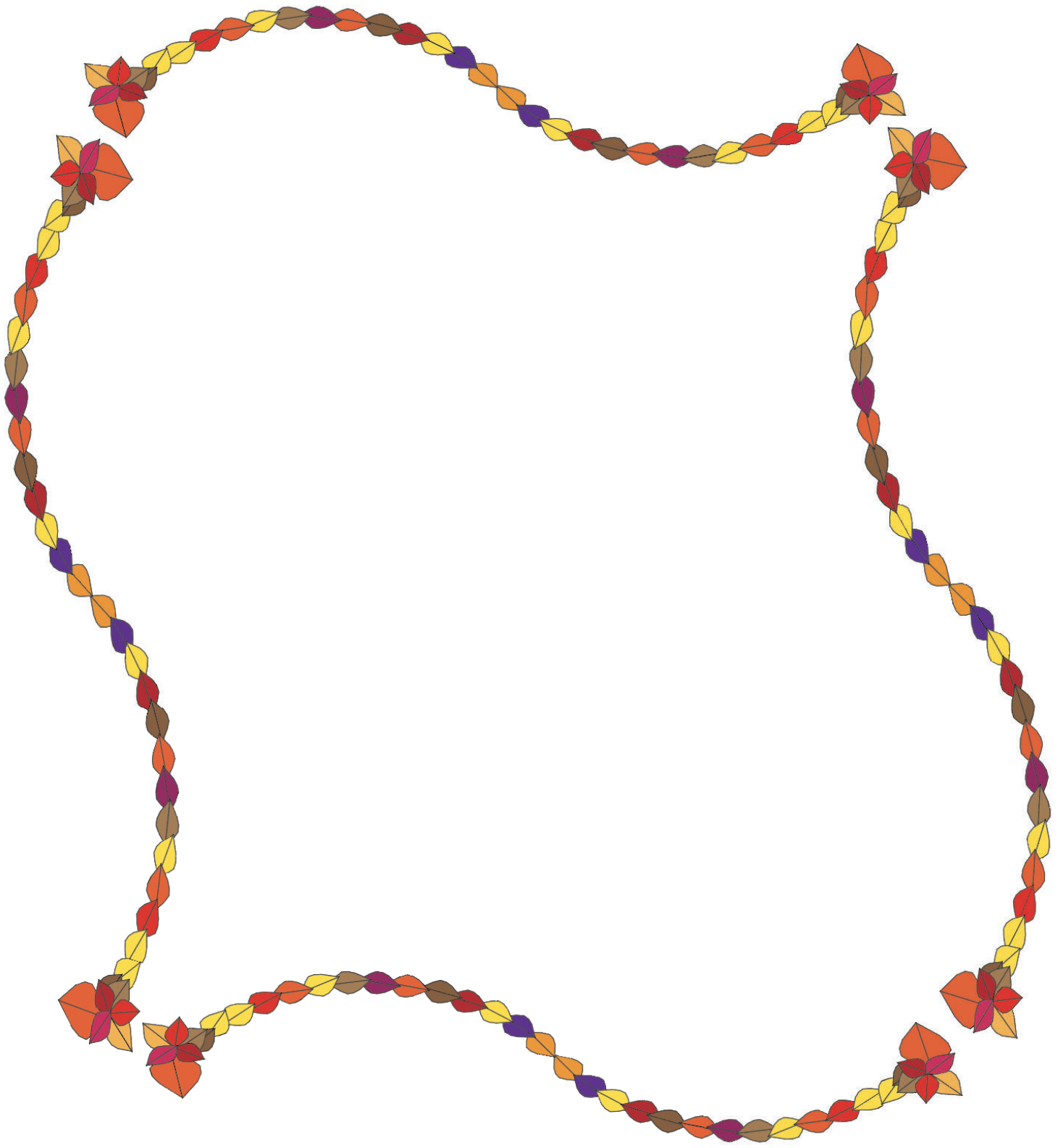
Falling Leaves
Door Display

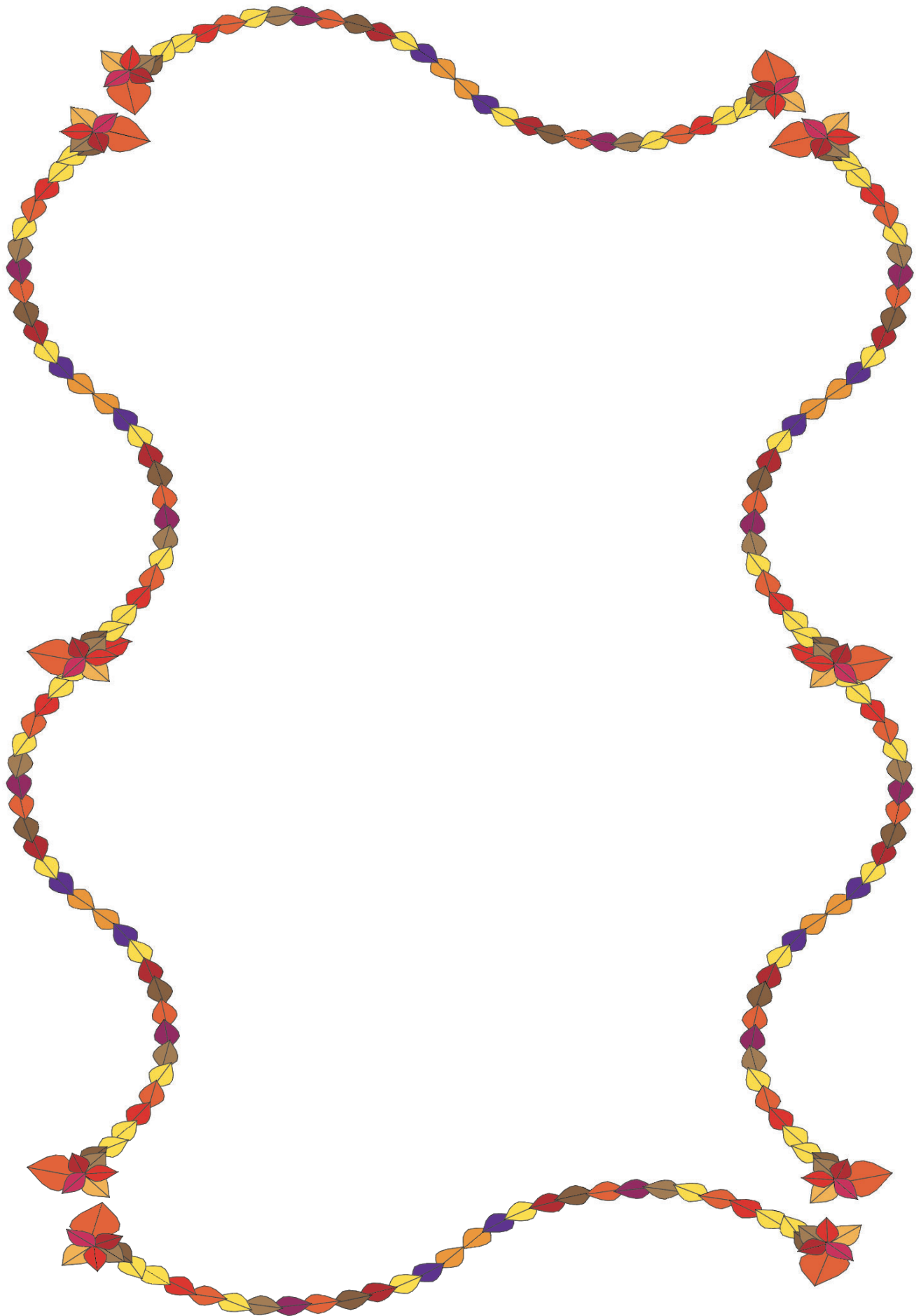


I am Thankful For:

- Sunshine
- Rain
- Spring flowers
- Fall leaves
- My mother and father
- My sister and cousins
- My friends
- Our dog, Muffin
- My new purple sweater
- Having loads of crayons
- Cranberry sauce and mashed potatoes
- Fireworks
- Colorful fish
- Constellations
- Stories
- Books





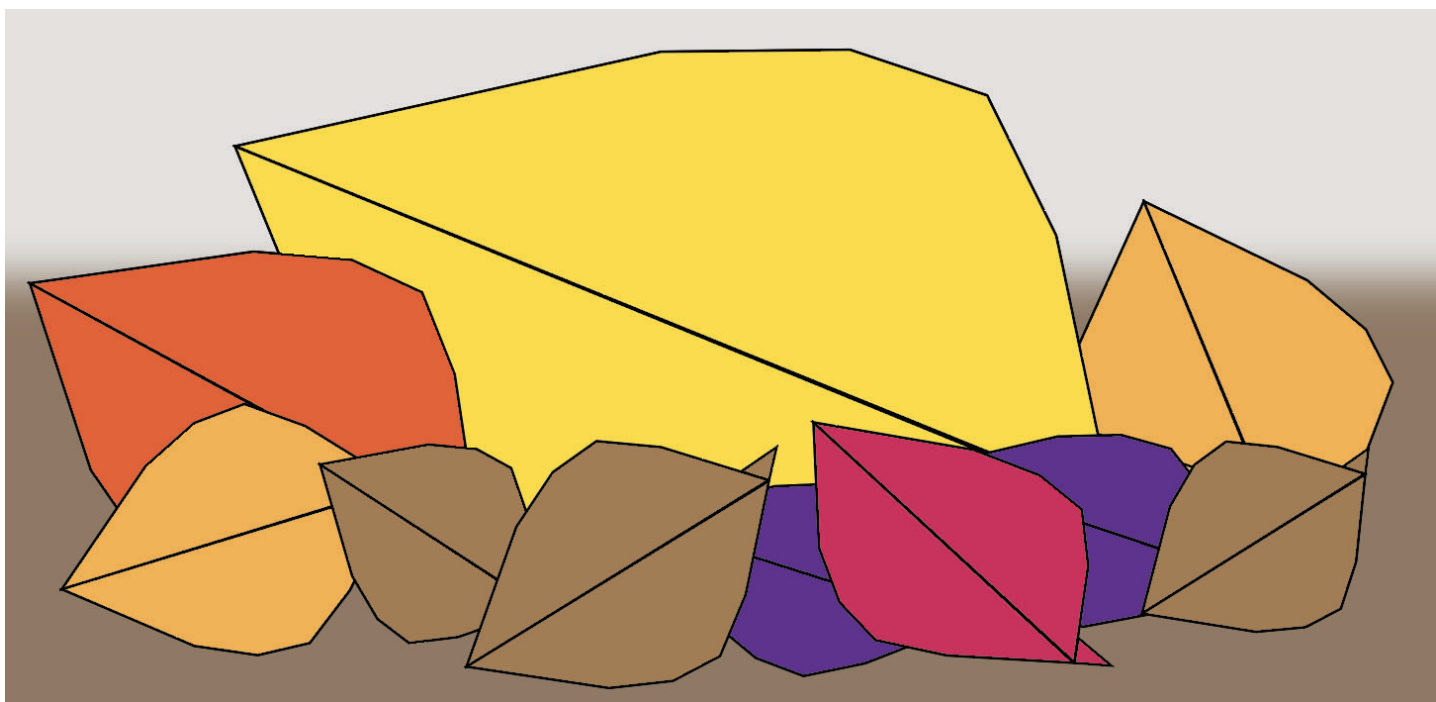
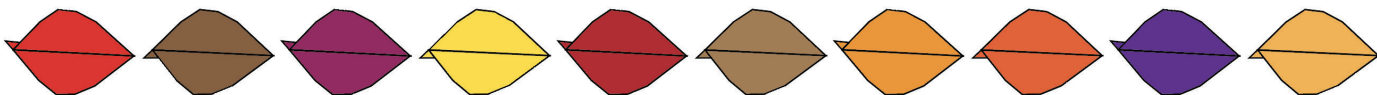
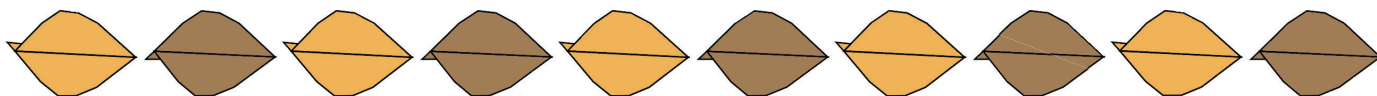
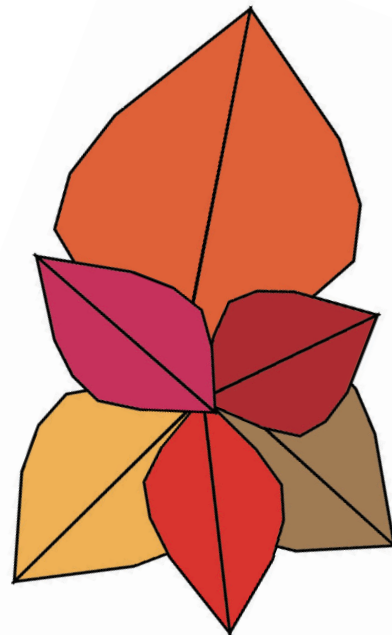


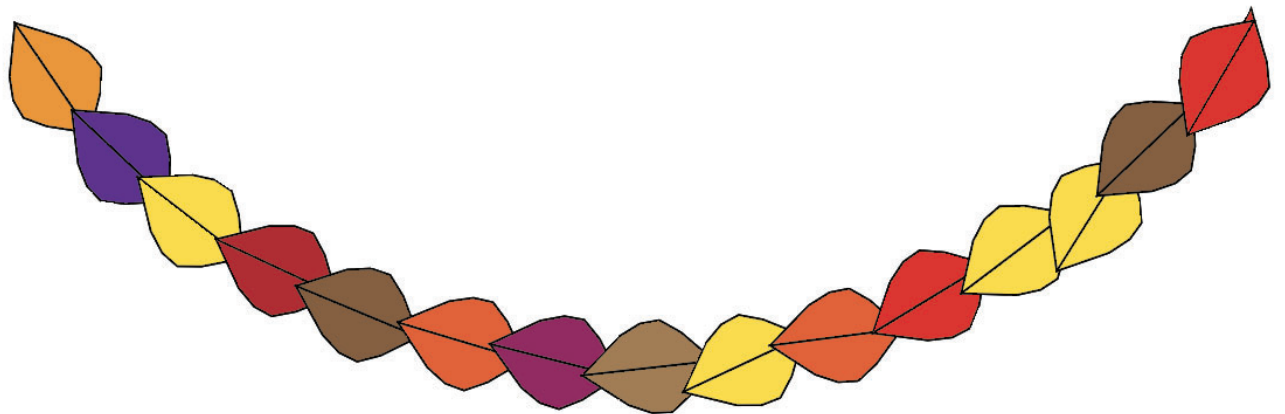
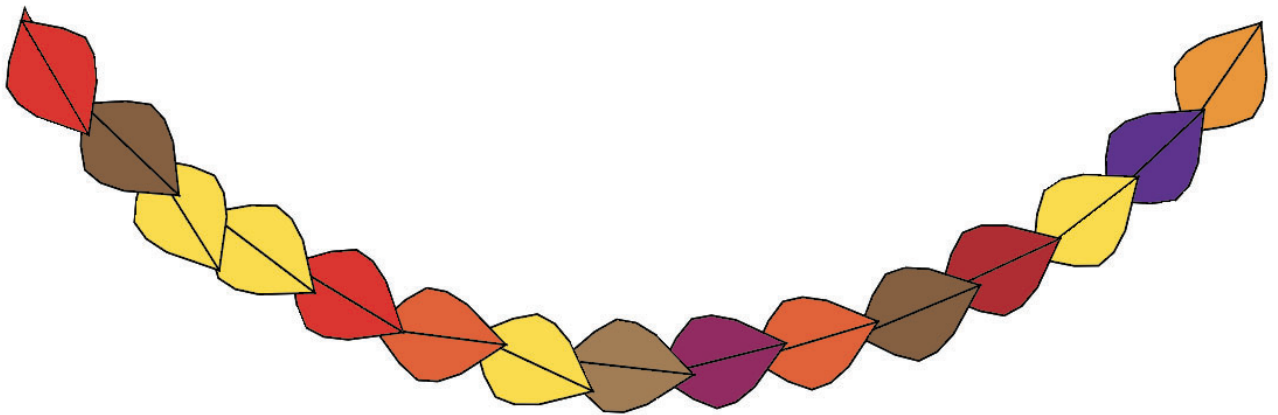
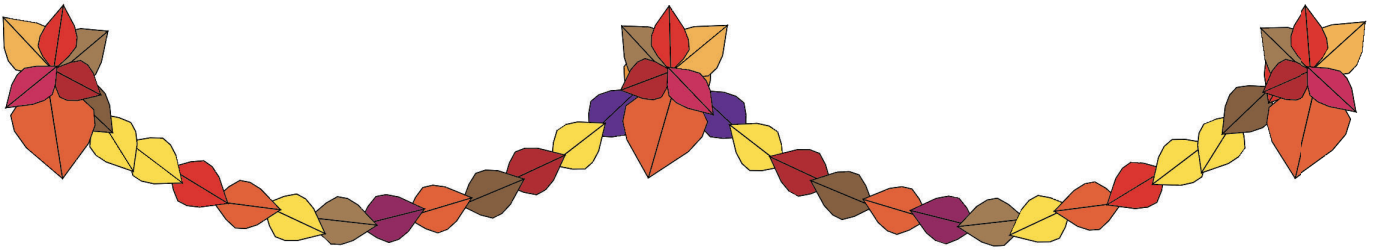
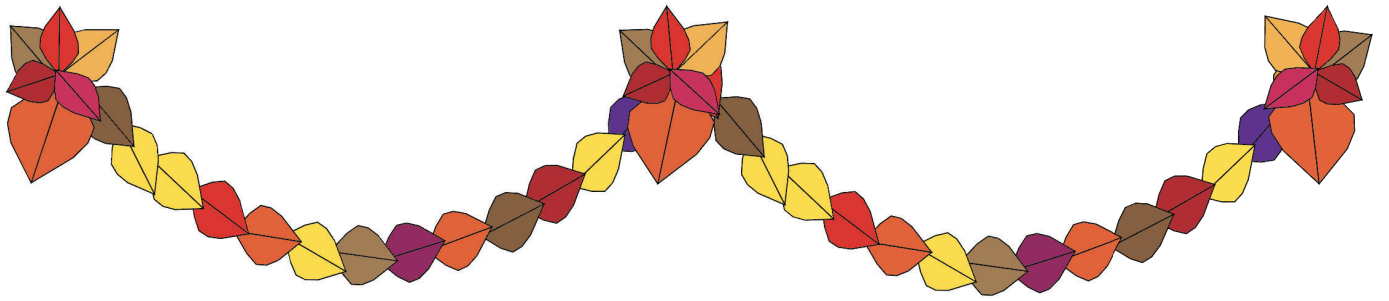
Here are some designs that could be recreated or used as inspiration for classroom decoration.

Match the color of the leaves to the season of the year.

Make large leaves to decorate quickly.

Use thread or string to make a garland or paste leaves onto thin strips of paper or each other.

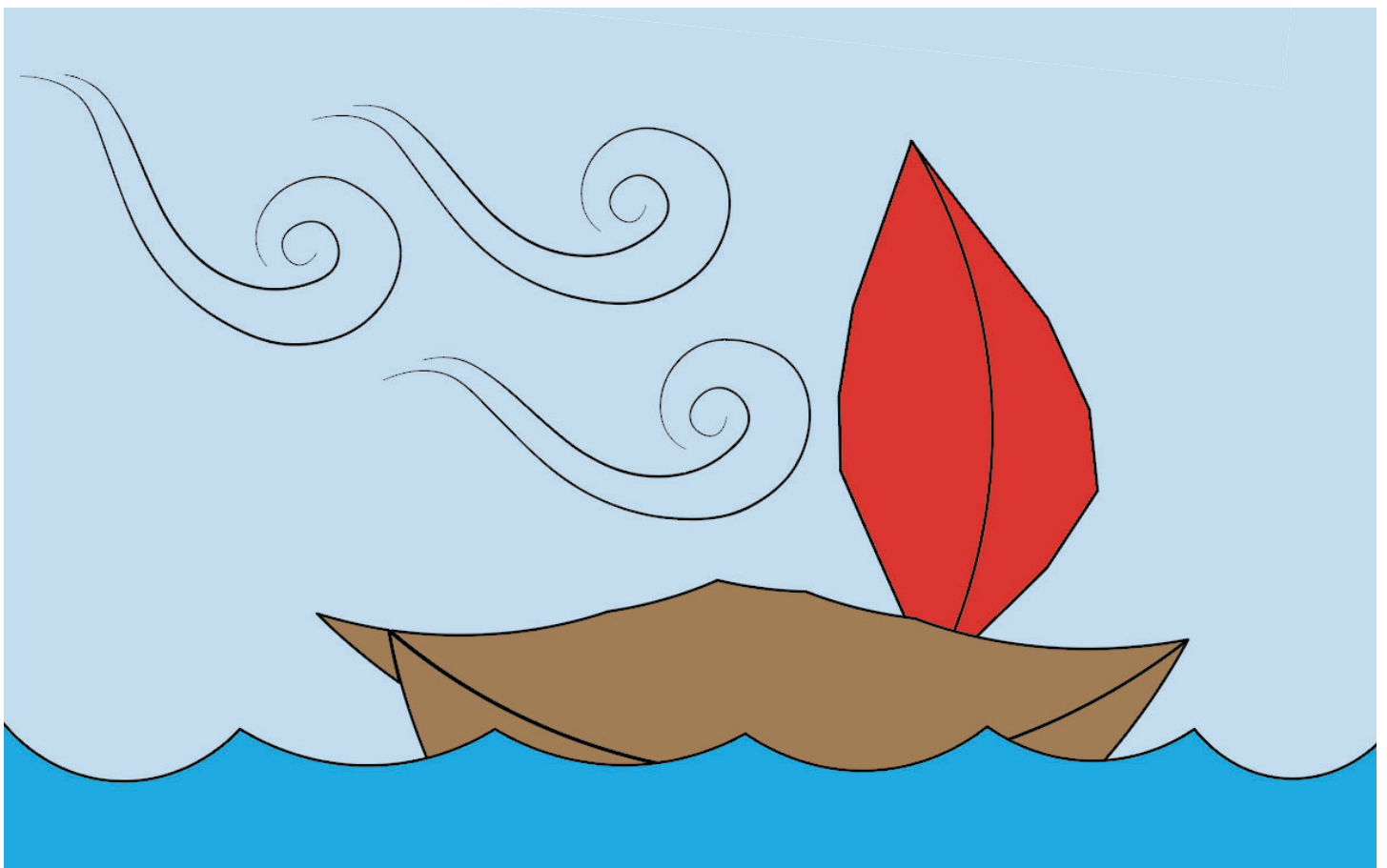
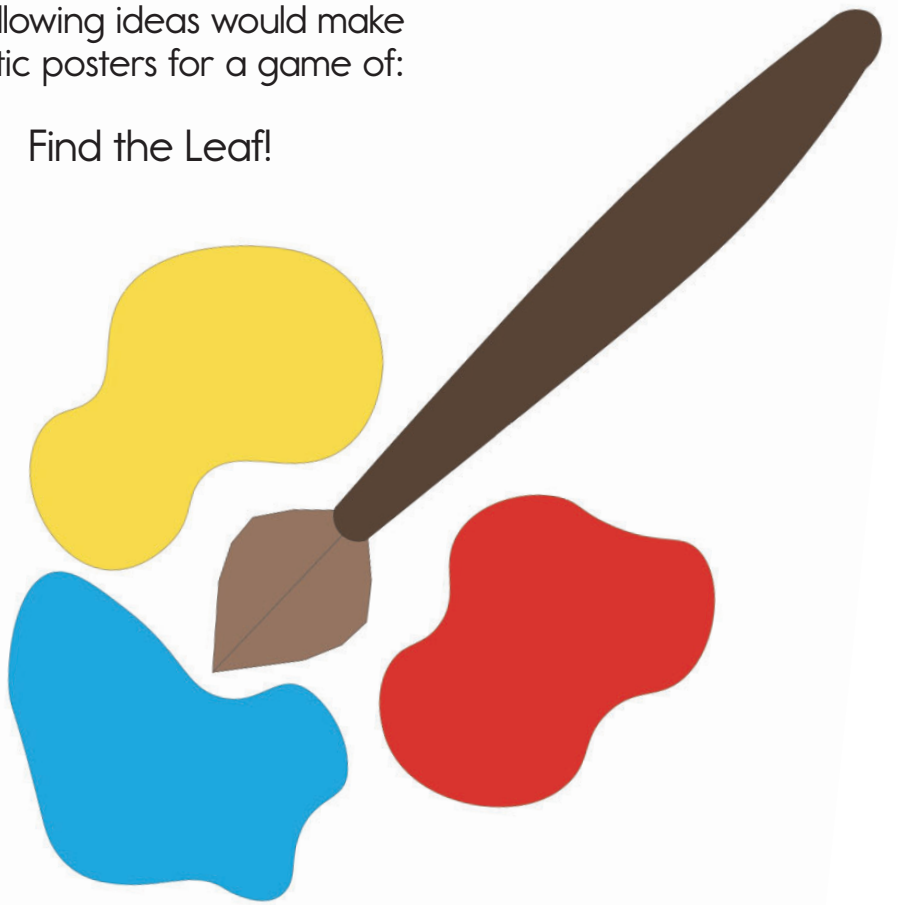


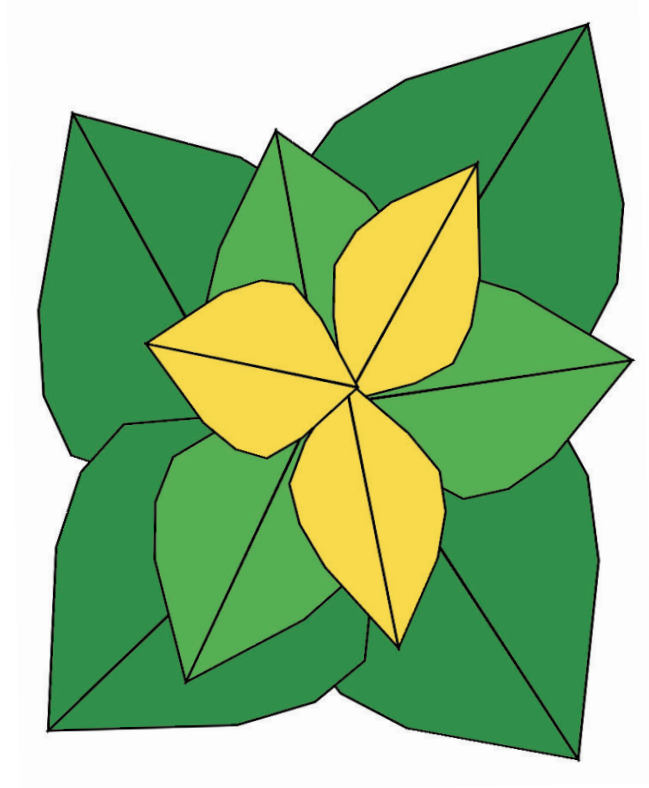
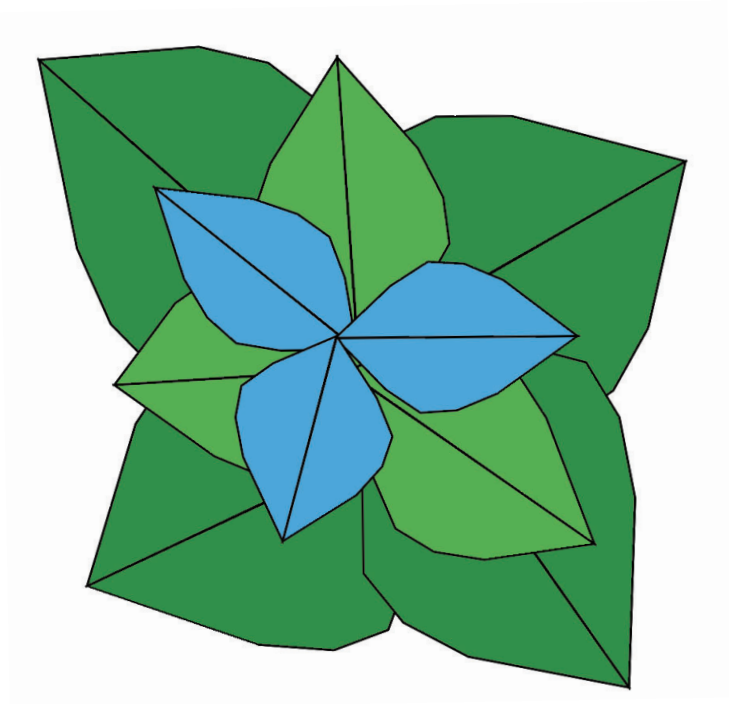
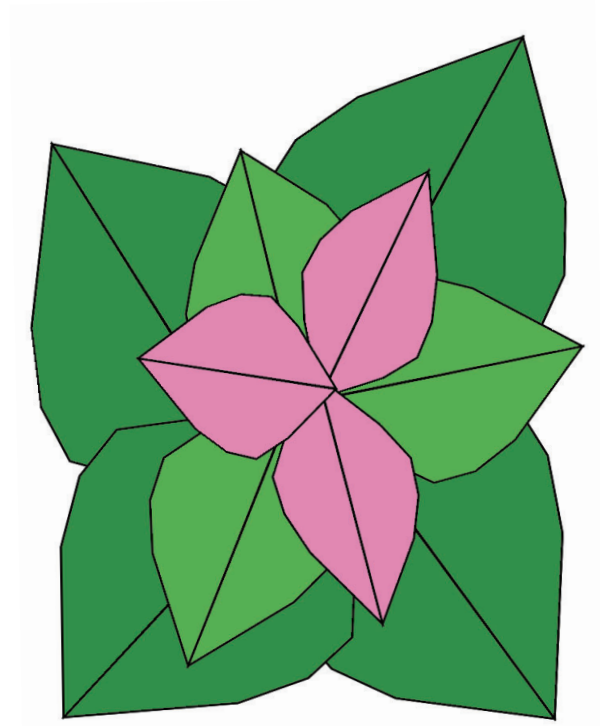
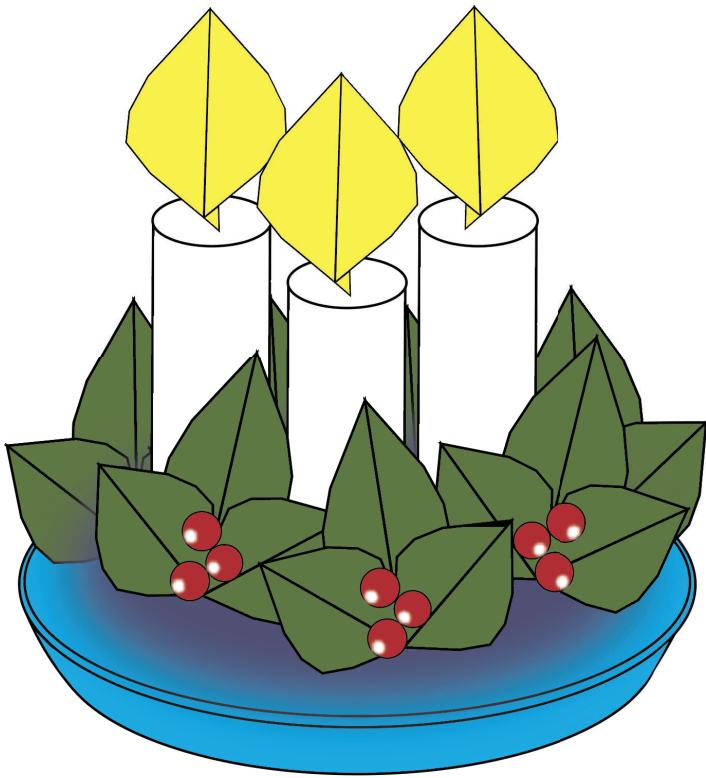


The following ideas would make fantastic posters for a game of:

Find the Leaf!

Challenging students to see how many ways they can use the same shape encourages creativity.







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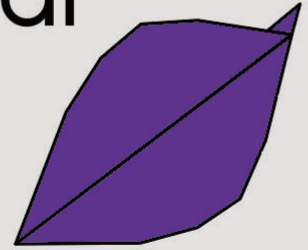
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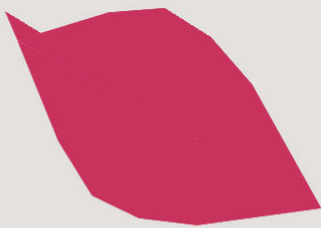
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- Symmetry,
- Following directions,
- Understanding diagrams.



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- Focus,
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