

NOVEMBER: PLACEMAT SCRABBLE

Description: The students make placemats out of Thanksgiving words connected to each other.

Materials: Worksheet: *Thanksgiving Word List*, page 205
Pencils
Markers
Construction paper
Scratch paper

Method:

1. Students choose one Thanksgiving word from the Word List and write it across the center of a piece of construction paper.
2. The students adds a new word to the existing Thanksgiving word by writing another word perpendicular to the first, crossing or joining the words by one letter, scrabble fashion. You may want to give a demonstration of this at the blackboard, having different students suggest where additional words can be added, before having students try on their own.
3. The students' goal is to use all the words on the list.

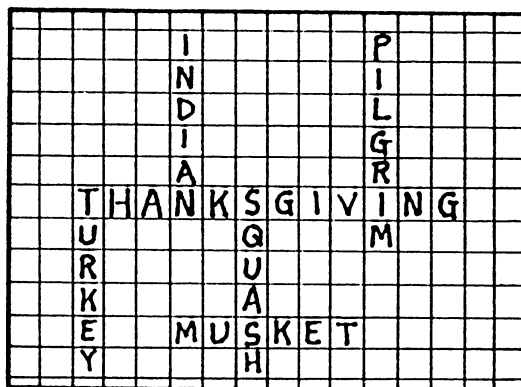
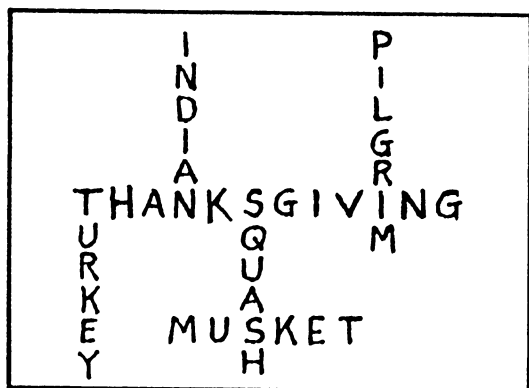
Variations:

1. The word list can be limited depending on the size of the student's writing (you may need to guess how many words a particular student can fit onto a page).
2. Large graph paper can be used instead of construction paper if spatial placement is a problem. The student can color in the blank squares when finished.

Tip: These will last longer if laminated.

Therapeutic Objectives: Visual spatial relations
Organization

Notes:



THANKSGIVING WORD LIST

Thanksgiving
Pilgrim
Indian
Turkey
Musket
Squash
Corn
Plymouth Rock
Succotash
Cornucopia
Stuffing
Pie
Yams
Fish