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ABSTRACT WATERCOLOR WEAVINGS



Developed with Teresa Holt Twin Chimney Elementary, O'Fallon, MO **Grades K-5** Time: 3 Class Periods

Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge Written by Mem Fox Illustrated by Julie Vivas

OBJECTIVES

- · Use watercolors to experiment with different watercolor techniques
- · Use watercolor strips to design an original weaving



CHARACTER EDUCATION EMPHASIS: CARING/KINDNESS

Students will listen to the story of Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge and participate in a character education discussion. Example discussion questions include:

- · What do you think a memory is?
- How did Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge show he was kind and caring?
- What could you give, of your own, that would make someone feel warm, remember long ago, make them laugh or cry, and that is just as precious as gold?
- · Do you think what Wilfrid did was special?
- · What could you do to be kind to someone?

INSTRUCTIONS

PREP

Demonstrate the following watercolor techniques: wet on wet, crayon resist, splatter, scratch resist, wet on wet with salt, and dry brush.

FOLD

Step 1: Have each student fold paper in to four $2\frac{1}{4}$ x 12 strips.

PAINT

Step 2: Fill each section of the folded paper with a different watercolor technique. In remaining spots repeat or redo two techniques.

CUT

Step 3: When the watercolor has dried, cut the paper into $1" \times 12"$ strips. Cut the black construction paper into $1" \times 12"$ strips.

CHOOSE & WEAVE

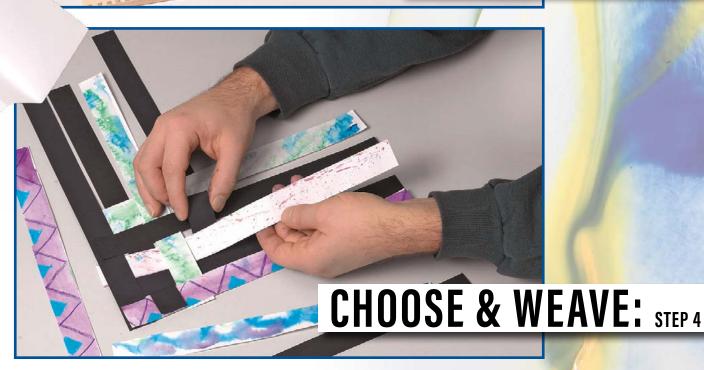
Step 4: Choose a total of 10 strips, at least one from each technique, then weave the strips together alternating with black paper strips.

MOUNT the finished work on a mat board.











MATERIALS LIST

- Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge by Mem Fox
- Nasco White All Media Drawing Paper, 500-sheet reams, 80 lb., 9" x 12" 9728257
- Nasco Country School™ 8-Color Oval Pan Watercolor Set 9714689
- Riverside® Tru-Ray® Fade-Resistant Black Construction Paper 9708565())
- · Watercolor brushes
- Water
- · Crayons
- Salt
- · Paper clips
- Ruler
- · Mat board



