Thankful Tree



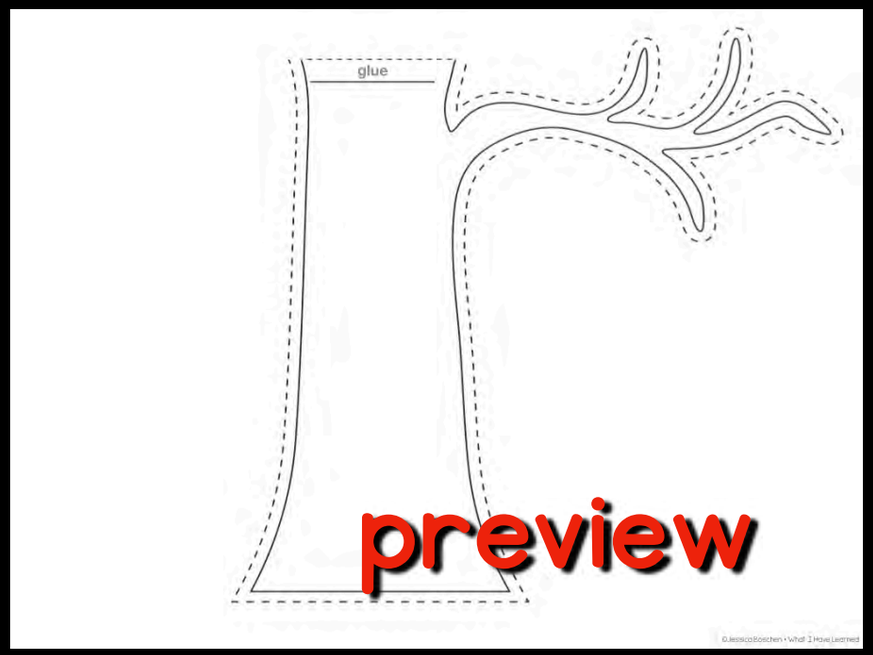
This is a fun craftivity to use during the month of November to instill a spirit of thankfulness. Students can create the tree at the beginning of the month and then add a leaf each school day. By the end of the month, their tree and picture has many leaves that represent thankfulness.

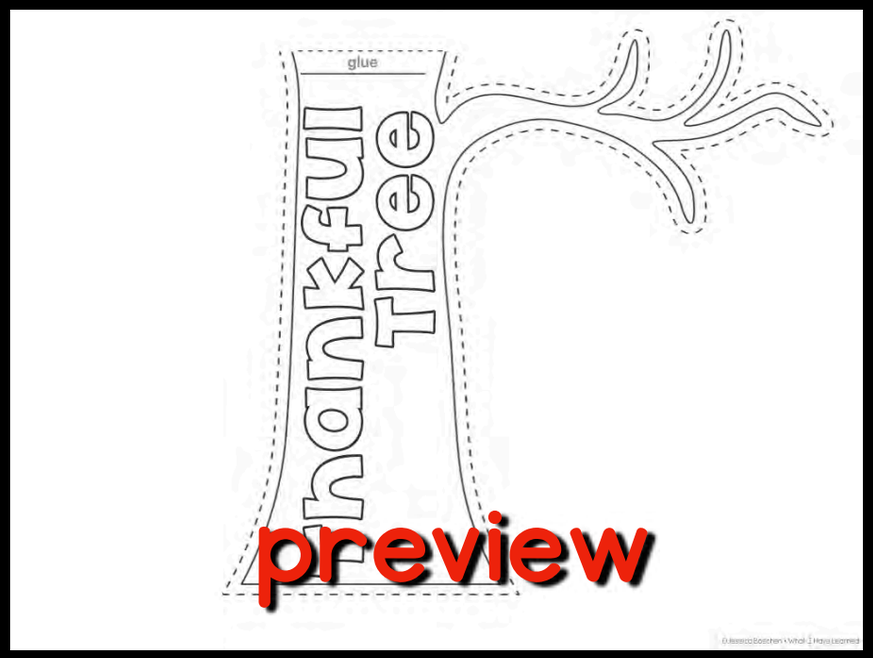
It makes a great keepsake for parents and aligns well with the Thanksgiving holiday.

Use colored construction paper to make the tree stand out against the colorful background.

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The Thankful Tree comes with several options:

- Tree with words on it
- Tree with no words on it
- Title Text
- Cut links close to the branches
- Cut lines further away from the branches
- Leaves of different sizes
- Leaves that fold over
- Leaves to use for an anchor chart





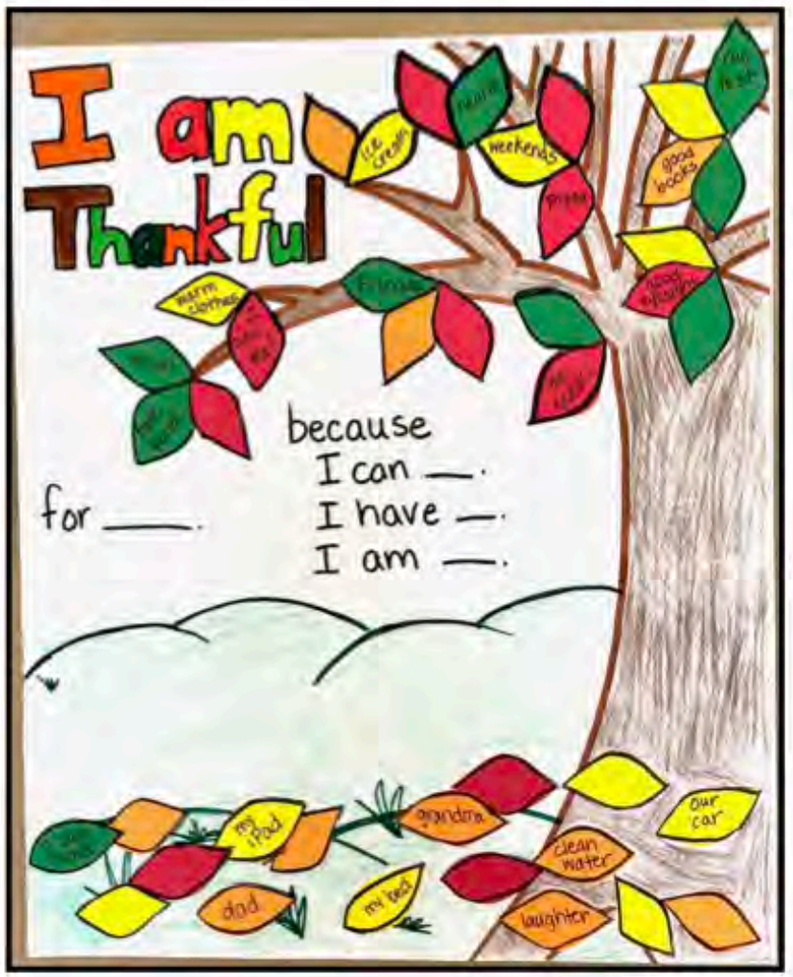
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Thankful Ideas

Before writing on the leaves, brainstorm a list of ideas with students of things they are thankful for. Create an anchor chart to use and add to throughout the month. Or create a tree cut out to display on a large bulletin board and cut out construction paper leaves.

While students will have many ideas, here are a few more in case they get stuck.

- family (mom, dad, brothers, sisters, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, etc.)
- home / house
- pets
- friends
- warm clothes
- food
- a particular candy
- safety
- health
- allowance
- weather
- vacations
- car
- being able to go to school
- ability to read
- laughter
- sunshine
- clean water
- books
- ocean
- outdoors
- internet
- favorite food
- a movie / tv show
- people who smile
- people who are nice
- the holidays
- weekends
- flowers
- parties
- themselves
- favorite song
- ability to dream
- eyesight
- hearing
- getting something for free
- alone time
- time with friends
- when someone is honest
- holiday traditions
- having a talent
- running fast
- climbing well
- playing a game with proficiency
- a cozy spot



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Also includes a list of ideas for reasons to be thankful as well as an example of an anchor chart with supporting language to use with students.

Thankful Tree

music
Vacation
Swimming
good health
Family
eyesight
reading
dogs
School
oceans
cats
airplanes
internet
painting
soccer
pizza
candy
weekends
flowers
sunshine

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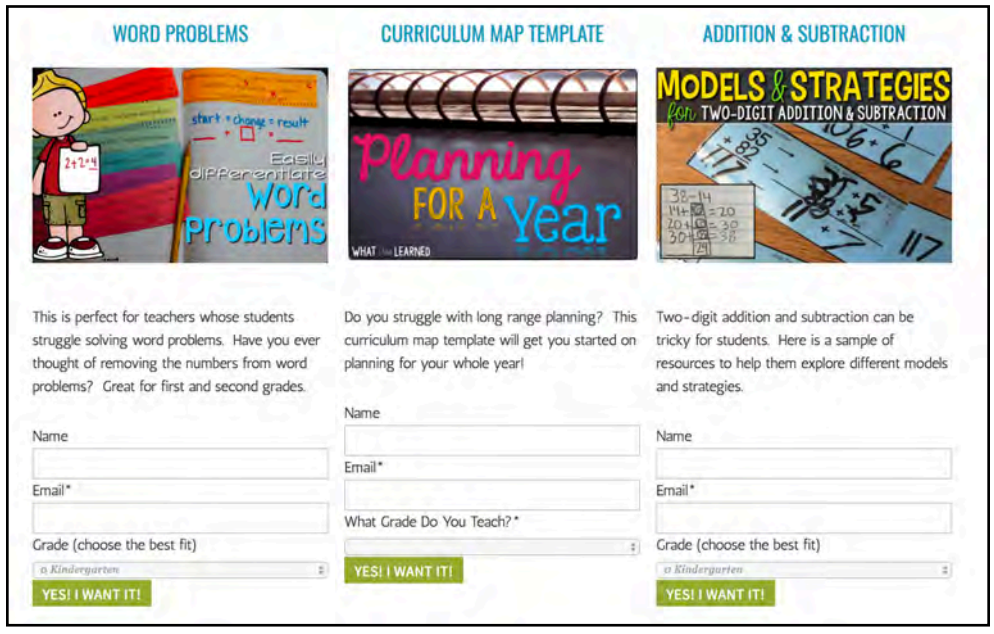
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