

This is Ms. Susan from the Shorewood Public Library. The days after a holiday, hold many memories of our summer adventures. Our art project for the week will help to preserve those memories. We will be creating a fun and colorful picture frame to hold a silly summer picture, a favorite place that you visited- picture, or even a first-day-of-school picture. You can also share the memory with someone special as a puzzle.



1-Make a rectangle on a piece of cardstock that is 8 1/2 by 11. Draw another rectangle that is approx. 1 - 1 1/4 inch inside the first rectangle. Draw tabs along the inside of the shape every inch or so to look like puzzle pieces. You could also trace the pieces of a puzzle that you might already have at home. Color the puzzle pieces in any color or pattern that you like or use some colors that match the picture you are going to frame. For the younger artist, you can make the puzzle pieces a bit larger and easier to color. Next cut out the center of the rectangle for the picture area. Glue a picture you have chosen to another piece of cardstock that is 8 1/2 in. by 11 in. Then glue the puzzle frame that you have colored to the edge of the new piece of paper that holds the picture. Hang up anywhere to remind you of a happy memory.

2-For a fun project before you frame a picture, cut the puzzle pieces up. Give to a friend or special someone to put together to form the frame. For the younger artist, you can add ABC's or 123's to each puzzle piece for a learning project. You can add the date or your name on the bottom.

Hold the magical memories in your heart!

Ms. Susa

