

This is Ms. Susan from the Shorewood Public Library. It's time to talk turkey again. Just over a week until Thanksgiving and we are going to celebrate this holiday with colorful, silly turkey bookmark. Gather your supplies and let's get started. Hope you also make a few turkey bookmarks to share with family, friends, or neighbors to help them celebrate this holiday in a special way!



1-Take one piece of paper or cardstock and fold it in half two times. If you want a bigger turkey, you can fold it in thirds. Get another piece of paper and fold it in half the long way, then fold it in half two times or more on the short side. You should have 10 or 12 rectangles when you open up the paper. On the first bookmark paper, fold over the top ½ inch and cut a tiny triangle (if you do not have a paper punch). Tie on a string or yarn from the hole. Thread a few beads on the end to keep the end of the bookmark weighted. Go back to the second paper and color all the rectangles, bright, turkey feather colors of orange, red, yellow, and browns. Cut out all the rectangles. You can also cut a few rectangle feathers from a brown paper bag. You can even cut off the ends a bit to a point. Start gluing the feathers down on the bookmark at the top. Layer them all the way to the bottom.

2-Draw or trace a circle on the paper bag or white paper colored brown. Cut it out. Glue it to the bottom of the bookmark over the last layer of feathers. Now give your turkey some eyes, a beak, and the silly wattle. The wattle is the red skin hanging from the turkey chin. The wattle can change colors, usually to blue when the turkey is threatened or scared. Since our turkey will be safe in a book to save our page, the wattle will be red. So thankful for creating art with all of you!

Gobble, gobble, have fun with this turkey! -

Ms. Susan