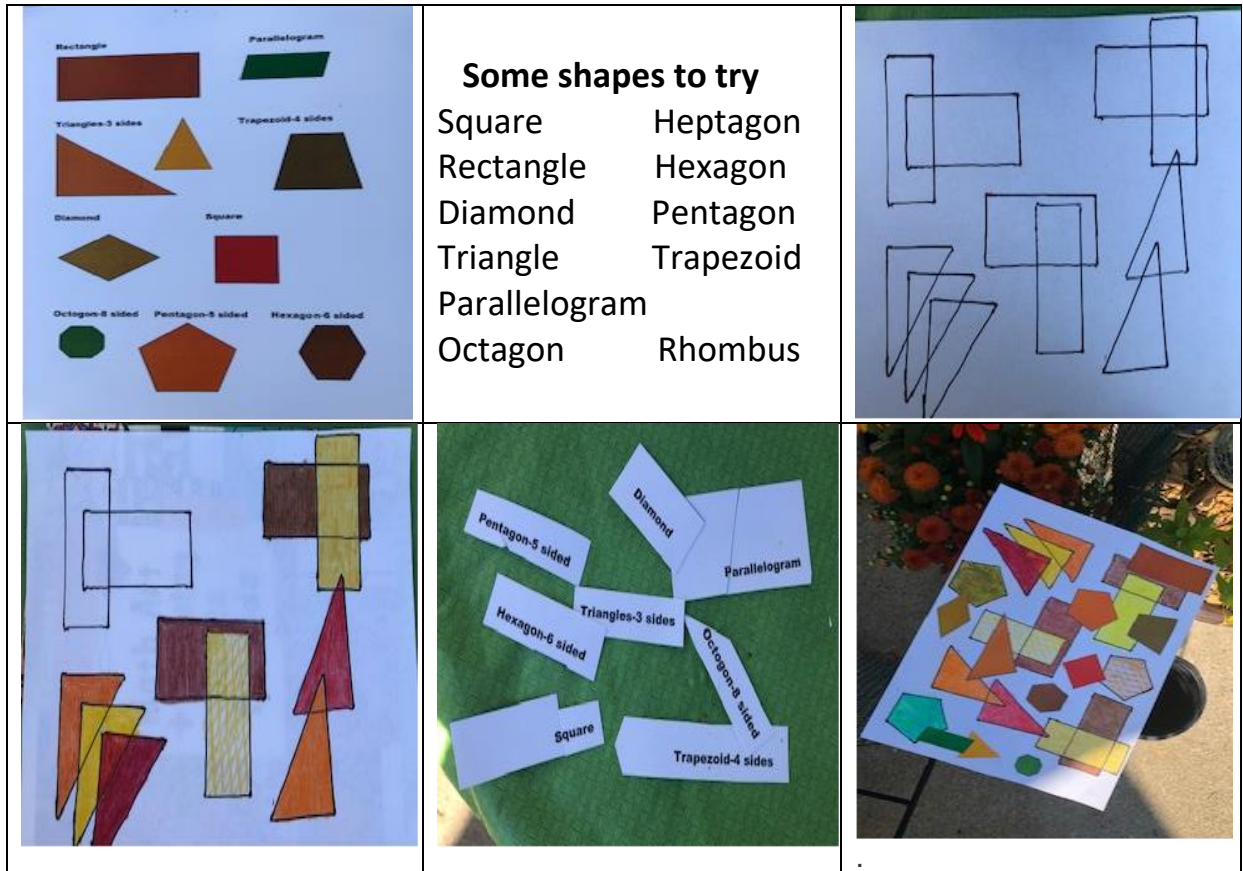
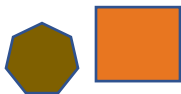


This is Ms. Susan from the Shorewood Public Library. We are beginning to see so many new colors as the leaves begin to change for fall. Temperature, light, and water supply have an effect on this fall seasonal process. The mixture of red, purple, yellow, and orange we see is due to a chemical process that takes place inside the trees in preparation for winter. We are going to celebrate the season by creating a collage of these splendid fall colors. You can even make a game out of it with family or friends.



1-Draw different shapes, in different sizes on a piece of cardstock paper or use cardboard. Try to think of many different shapes like parallelogram, trapezoid, or rhombus. Or try to copy shapes of items from around the house. Cut out these shapes and trace them in any design on to a piece of paper or a brown paper bag. Try to fit as many shapes on the paper as possible. Color them in any of the fall colors you can think of, highlighting brown, red, orange and yellow. You can even color your shapes with a textured item underneath to give your shapes interesting patterns and bumps. Or you can color your shapes before cutting them out and glue them in a special design on the paper.

2- You can even make a game out of the collage you are creating. Draw the shapes on paper, as many as you want. Then write the name of the shapes (triangle, square, pentagon, hexagon, etc.). Each player will cut out the shapes and the words from their own paper. Lay the blank page in the center of the table. Now take all the words and lay them face down near the blank paper. Take turns choosing a card with the name of a shape. If you have that shape in your pile, glue it on the paper. If you do not have the shape, you miss your turn. When all the words are gone, see what fall splendor you have created together!



Enjoy fall with color, shapes and smiles!

Ms. Susan

