This is Ms. Susan from the Shorewood Public Library. Have you ever played the game “Simon Says”? It is a fun game of listening that is played by many different names, all over the world. This week our art will be created by playing, “Miss Susan Says”. (Or whoever is chosen as the leader at home). You can go outside to collect your favorite leaves. It is amazing what you will see by just looking down and really being aware of what you see. I found acorns, sticks, leaves of all different sizes and colors, and even a penny on my search.

1-Get outside and look for any size or color leaves, in your yard, at the park, or on your way home from school. If you are doing this project with someone else, one person will be the “Leader” and one person will be the “Follower”. Or you can follow Miss Susan’s instructions. Let’s play! Miss Susan says, ”Trace one large leaf on your paper”. Or you can draw the leaf you are asked to draw if you have skipped the outside leaf collection. Miss Susan says, “Color the leaf brown”. Miss Susan says, “Trace two more leaves on your paper that do not touch”. “Add any six lines to your artwork”. Oops, did you do it? I did not say, Miss Susan says. With this game, if you do not follow directions, you would lose your turn. If you are doing this project with someone else, let them be the “follower” now.

2- Miss Susan says, “Add any six lines to your artwork”. Your creation will start to look very different than mine because you could put your six lines anywhere, with any color and any size. Miss Susan says, “Trace one more leaf that touches or overlaps the brown leaf”. Miss Susan says, “Color one leaf green”. Miss Susan says, “Color one leaf orange”. Add ten or more circles to your art. Oops, did you do it? I did not say “Miss Susan says”. Miss Susan says, “Add ten or more circles to your art and color your last leaf any color that you want”. Miss Susan says, “Add glitter, glue, ribbon, sticks, or any decoration (maybe, something you find on your leaf hunt) to finish your fall nature art”.

Ms. Susan says, “Have fun with your fall creation!”