Leaf-Print Message Cards

Use a fallen leaf to make a paint print.

YOU WILL NEED: paper, a clean fallen leaf, washable child-safe paint and a grown-up.

Work with a grown-up. Use child-safe scissors. A grown-up handles inner cuts, holes and fasteners. Keep small pieces away from mouths.

1. Ask a grown-up to help choose a clean fallen leaf. Do not pick unknown plants or put materials in your mouth.

2. Cover the work surface. Spread a thin layer of washable paint on one side of the leaf.

3. Press it gently inside the blank card panel, then lift it straight up.

4. Let the print dry before adding a message or patterned border.

5. Wash hands and clear away with your grown-up. Compare two prints made with different amounts of paint.

Let glue dry before playing. Keep your model and use leftover paper for another creation.

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PRINTABLE TEMPLATE

Print at 100%. Solid outer edges: cut. Dashed lines: fold. Inner cuts are described in the steps.

Print your leaf here. Add a message when it is dry.