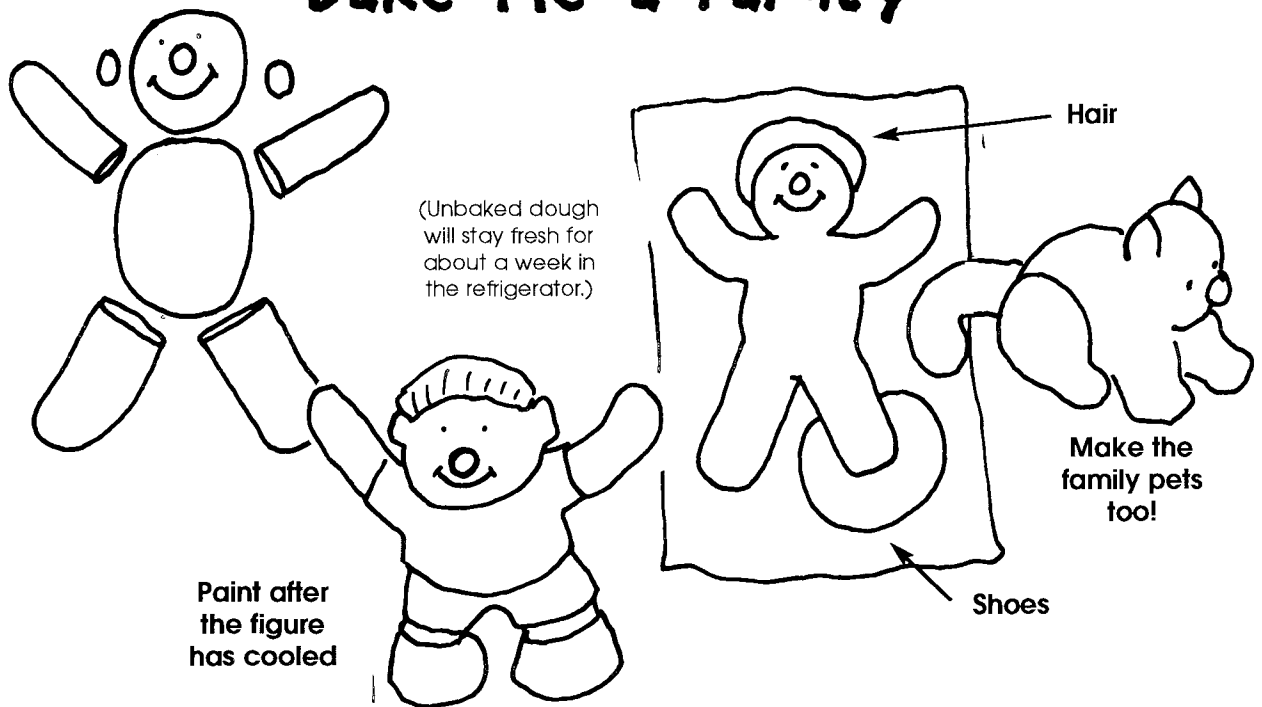


# Crafty Ideas

## Bake Me a family



### Materials:

- 3 Cups all-purpose flour
- 1 Cup of salt
- 1 Cup of water
- food coloring
- Acrylic paints and brushes

### Directions:

Combine the flour, salt, and water in a mixing bowl and knead the dough until it is smooth and rubbery.

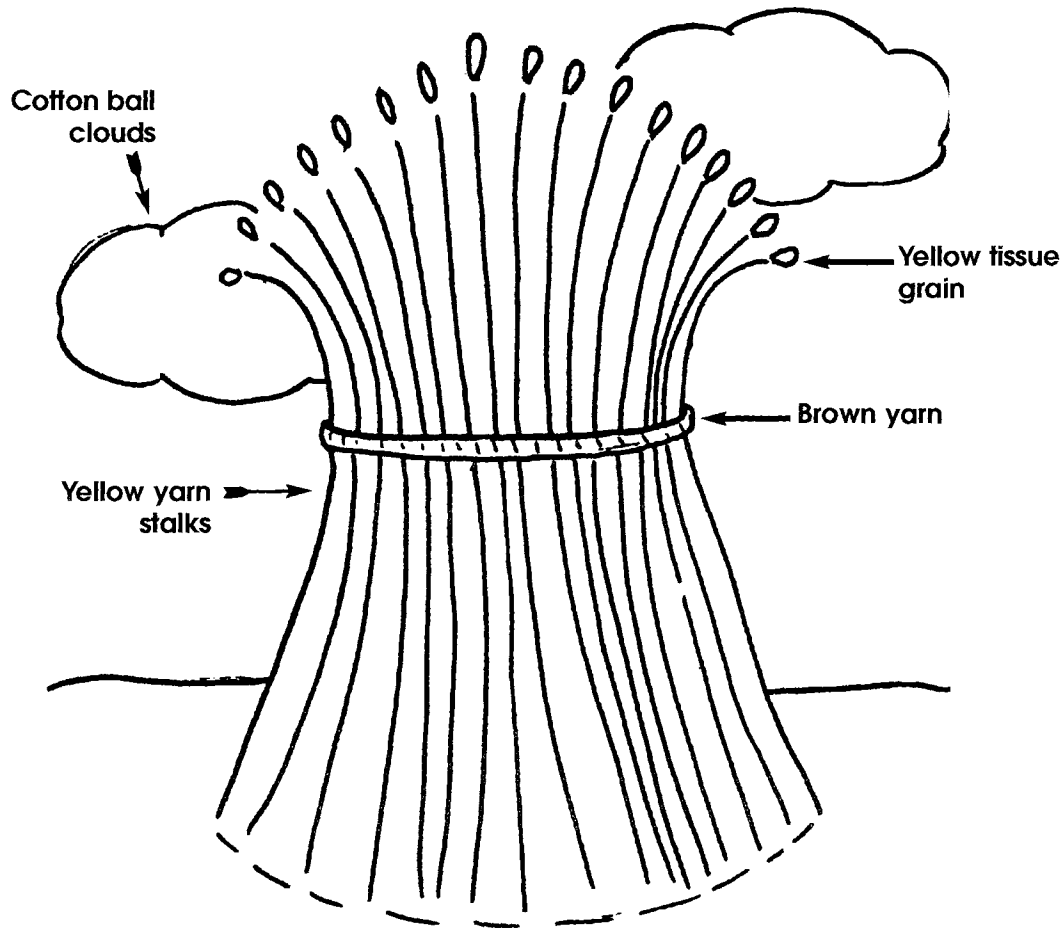
Using the material make the figures of the family. Roll a piece of dough between your palms to form the head. The body and the limbs are cylinders. The nose is a tiny piece of rolled dough. The eyes and mouth are made by mak-

ing indentions in the dough with a toothpick. To attach the limbs and the head to the torso apply a few drops of water to make the dough sticky and press together. Lay the figures flat on a foil-lined cookie sheet and bake for 1 hour in a 275 degree oven. When cool enough to handle make the shoes so the figures can stand upright!

To make the shoes flattened a piece of rolled dough into a circle and wrap the circle around the bottom of the leg; the bottom of the shoe needs to be flat—press the figure down gently until it balances on the new “shoes.” Use the same flattened circle to fashion hair (see figure). A toothpick works nicely to make details. Bake the figures for an additional hour.

Let the figures cool before painting.

## Then Comes the Harvest



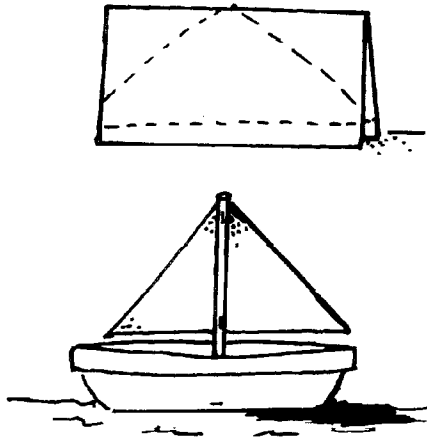
### Materials:

- Light blue construction paper
- yellow and brown yarn
- Yellow tissue paper; cotton balls
  - Crayons
  - white glue

**Directions:** Have students cut 17-20 pieces of yellow yarn 7-8 inches long. Glue them onto yellow construction paper vertically (for the stalks of grain). Cut a piece of brown yarn four inches long—use it to band the grain. Glue on cotton balls to make clouds. Take small pieces of the yellow tissue and roll between fingers to create small ball of “grain” to glue at the top of the grain stalks. Color the grass green.

# Crafty Ideas

## Wee Little Boat



### Materials to Use:

- 8 1/2" x 11" construction paper
- colored markers
- drinking straw—one for each boat
- stapler and scissors

### Directions:

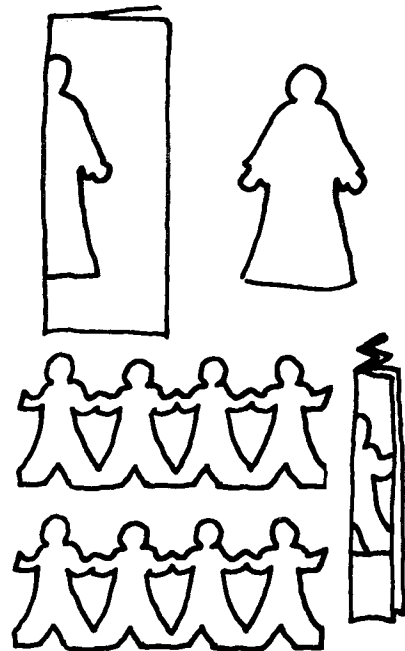
Lay a piece of paper in front of you. Fold it in half horizontally to make a rectangle. With the fold at the top, bend down the two outer corners of the rectangle, until the points meet. The paper should be in the shape of a triangle, with a slim rectangular base.

Fold one side of the bottom edge up along the base of the triangle shape. Turn the boat over. Repeat on the other side.

Fold the top two inches of the triangle down and tuck under one side. Then, pull the sides apart gently at the sides to make the boat.

Insert a straw in the center of boat and staple. Cut out a triangular shaped sail, staple the sail to the straw "mast" at the top and bottom of the sail.

## Jesus Loves Me



### Materials To Use:

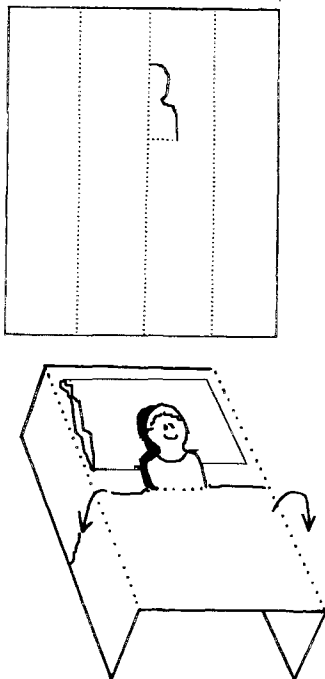
- Sheets of paper
- Crayons or markers
- Scissors
- White glue, paste, or tape

### Directions:

To make the children: fold an 8 1/2" x 11" paper in half (along the 11" length); fold in half again; fold once more. Draw the outline of the figure. Cut out. Each sheet will make at least four children (eight if you stack the figures). Let the student draw the faces and clothes on the little figures. To make the figure that represents Jesus: fold sheet of paper in half. Draw the outline and cut out; let the children color the figure.

# Crafty Ideas

## Get Up, Get Up!



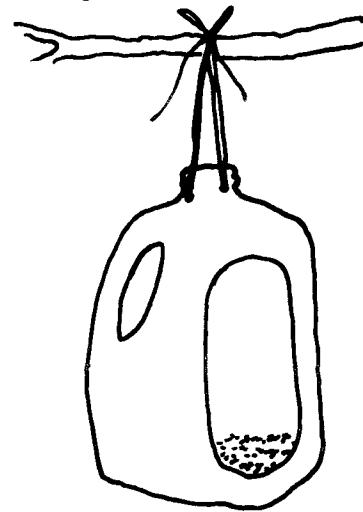
### Materials to Use:

- Sheets of 8 1/2" x 11" paper
- Crayons or markers to decorate the pillow and blanket
- Scissors

### Directions:

Fold the paper in half vertically. Cut the half figure of the child along the dotted line. Lay the paper flat and draw the face on the figure, and color the child a pillow and a blanket. Fold the outside edges down (see example) it will make the legs for a bed. Gently push the child into an upright position. □

## Help a Friend



### Materials to Use:

- clean plastic milk container
- scissors (with pointed tips)
- wild birdseed
- strong nylon cord

### Directions:

Cut a panel from the side of a milk carton, leaving a border. Tie a stout cord tightly at the top for a hanger. Fill the container with some birdseed and hang the new feeder in a nearby tree. Watch the birds that visit the feeder.

Collect small pieces of fabric, hair, or string during nesting season to encourage the birds to build their nests to stay nearby and raise their families. Place the nesting material out on the grass and watch the birds take off with it! □