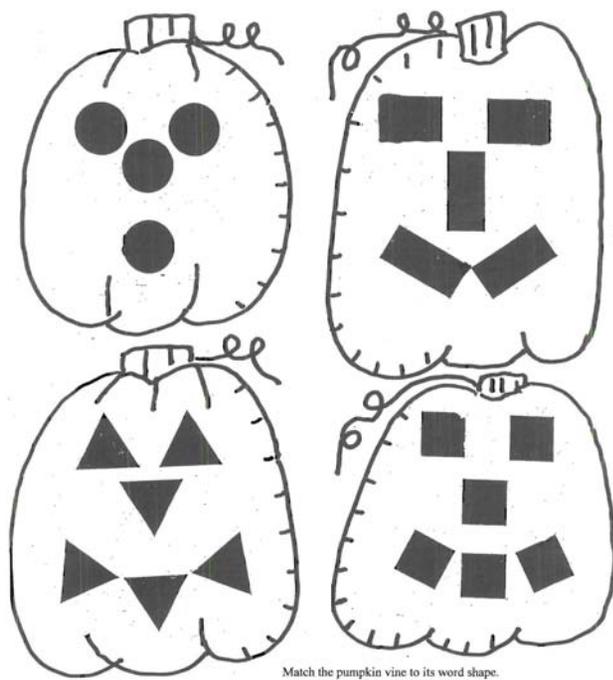


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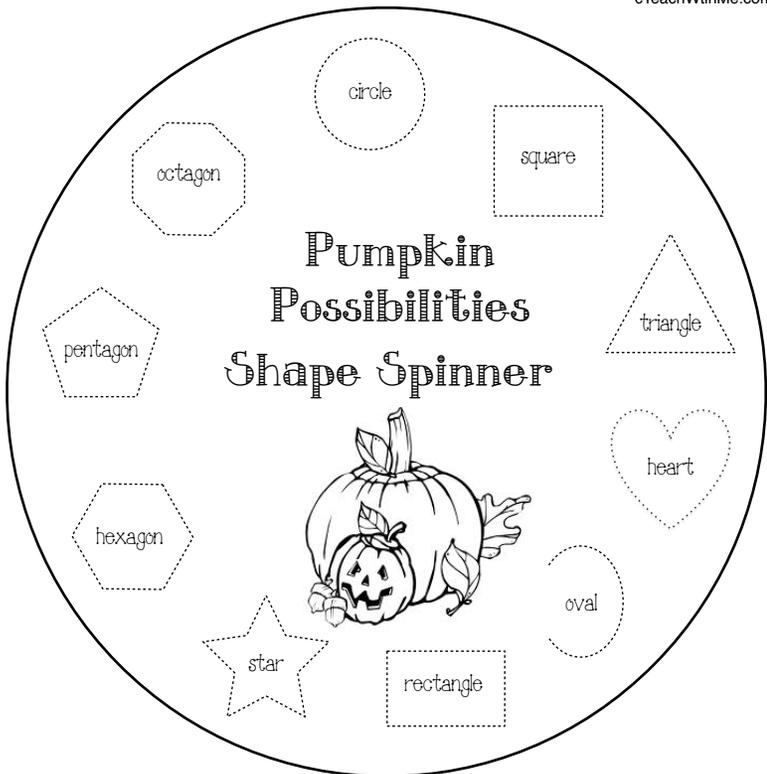


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Pumpkin Shape Sponge Painting

Materials:

- Cut a sponge into little squares. 2x2
- Ellison has the mini shapes so I die cut a class set in black, other wise make a template and trace one sheet and cut out 5 at a time.
- Orange paint
- Black, green & yellow construction paper
- Master of poem
- Glue stick
- Paint shirts
- Paper plates

Directions:

1. Run off poem and cut out.
2. Children put on a paint shirt.
3. I set this up as a whole group.
4. Model how to dab and press a sponge pumpkin. Specifically show them how smearing and brushing the paint on does not look good, and does not look like a cool pumpkin skin that was dabbed and pressed with a sponge.
5. I put 3 paper plates on each table with a 50¢ size dollop of orange paint on each plate. (You will have to re-load several times.)
6. Pass out yellow construction paper.
7. Have the children draw an oval pumpkin on their **HORIZONTAL** paper. I want my students to do this horizontally because it's for their keepsake book which reads that way. If you don't care then give them a choice, because **vertical** would look great too. I review these two vocabulary words with them.
8. Remind them that this should be a **BIG** oval as you have to fit all of their face shapes into that space. Refer to your sample. You will still have some children who will make a dinky pumpkin, so check before they start painting and have them flip their paper over and draw a bigger one.
9. Children dab their sponge into the paint and press it on their pumpkin filling up their oval. Remind them to use the entire square, not just the corner or edge. Then they press it in the paint again and dab some more.

10. Some children will not like getting their fingers messy, reassure them that this is OK. I'm in the process of gluing wooden spools to the sponges so this will help.
11. ***Head's Up:*** Some children, despite directions will want to brush or smear the paint on, remind them that they are dabbing and pressing to get a special pumpkin-skin look. I go around the room and check on progress, correcting and referring to the sample as I go.
12. I write their names in small print in the corner of the paper. The children set them aside to dry.
13. When they come in from recess I have their pumpkins lying on the tables along with all of the black face shapes. I have my sample on the board as a suggestion, but because I cut out lots of these shapes I tell them that they can create their own face, so that if they want circle eyes, and a square nose they can do that too, but their stem must be the green rectangle and it must be on the paper and not hanging off the edge.
14. I have them glue their pumpkin poem in any corner and remind them that the Hey Ho! goes on the top.
15. When they are done, we read the poem, review the shapes, and hold up our pumpkins so the rest of our friends can see the faces we came up with.
16. I collect them for their Keepsake Book.

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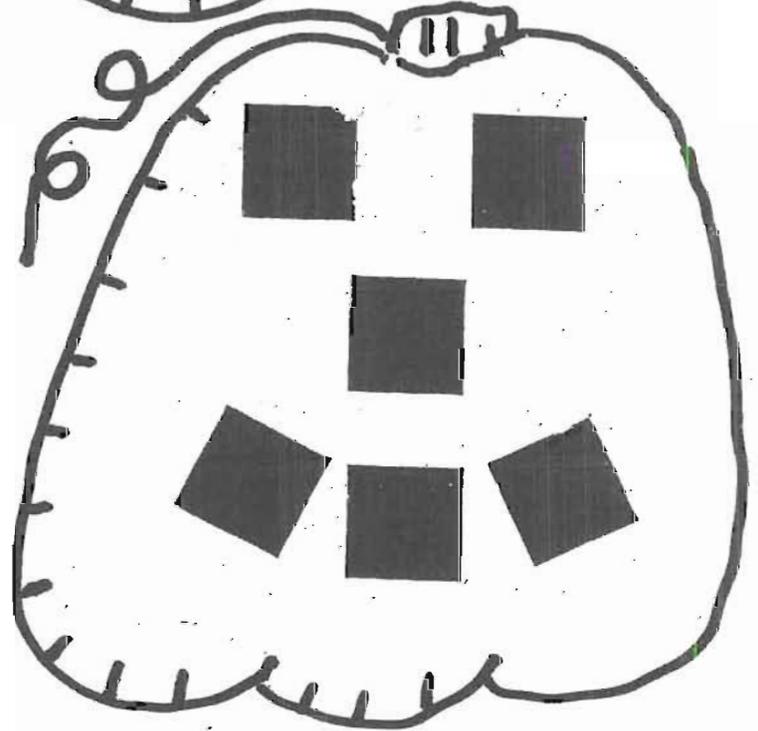
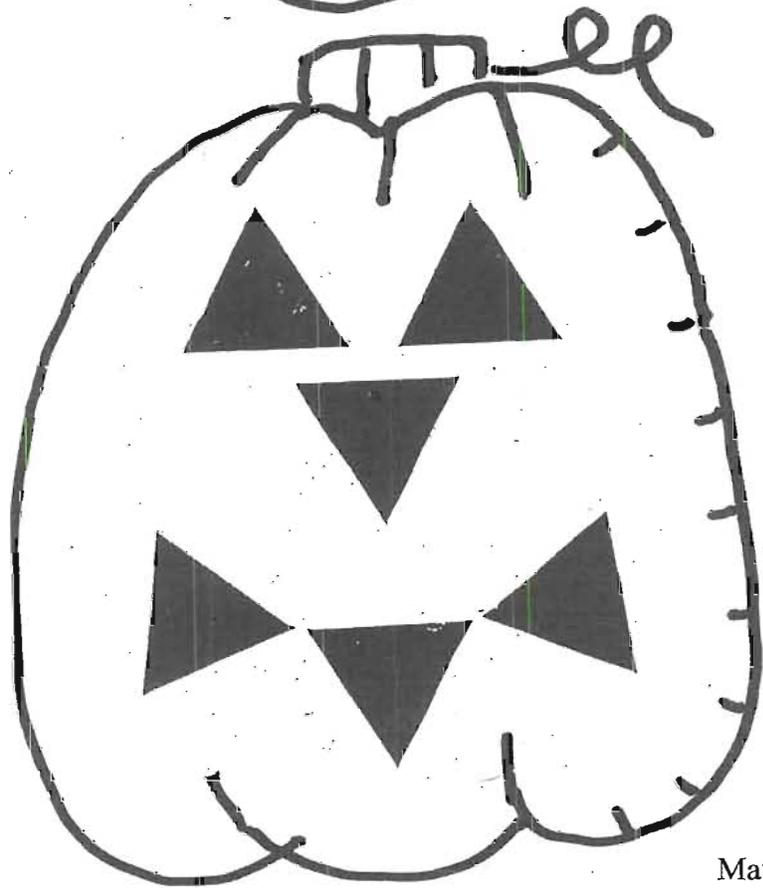
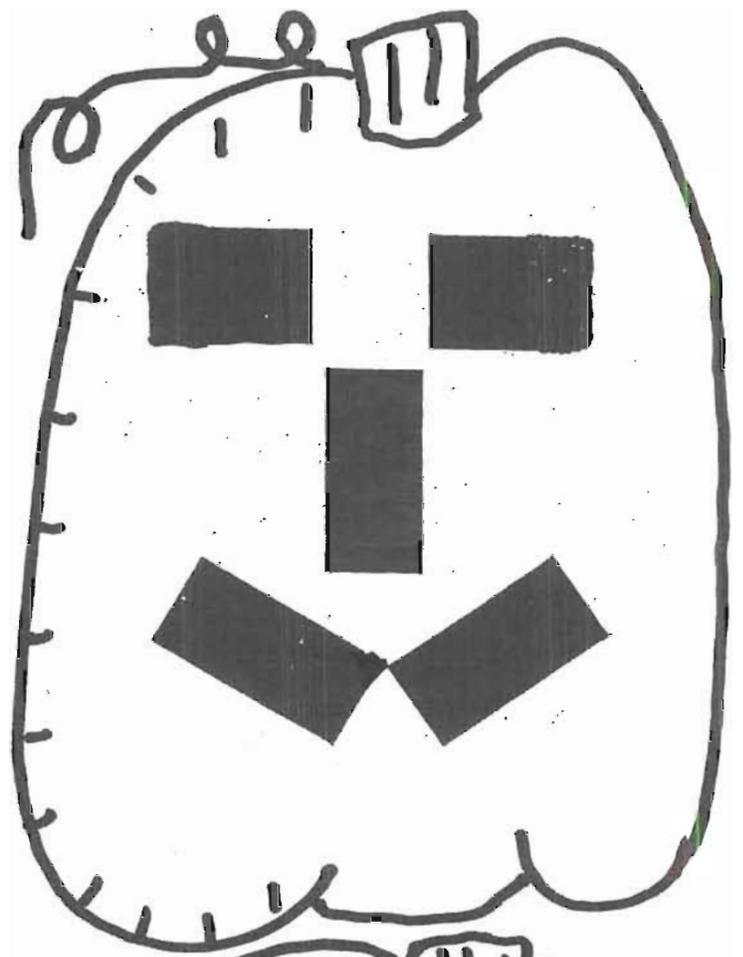
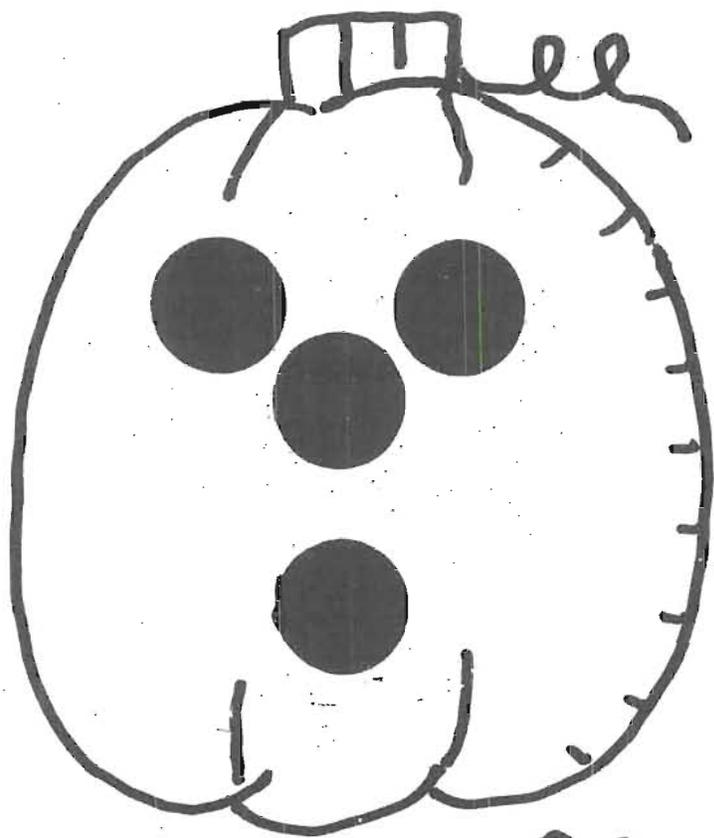
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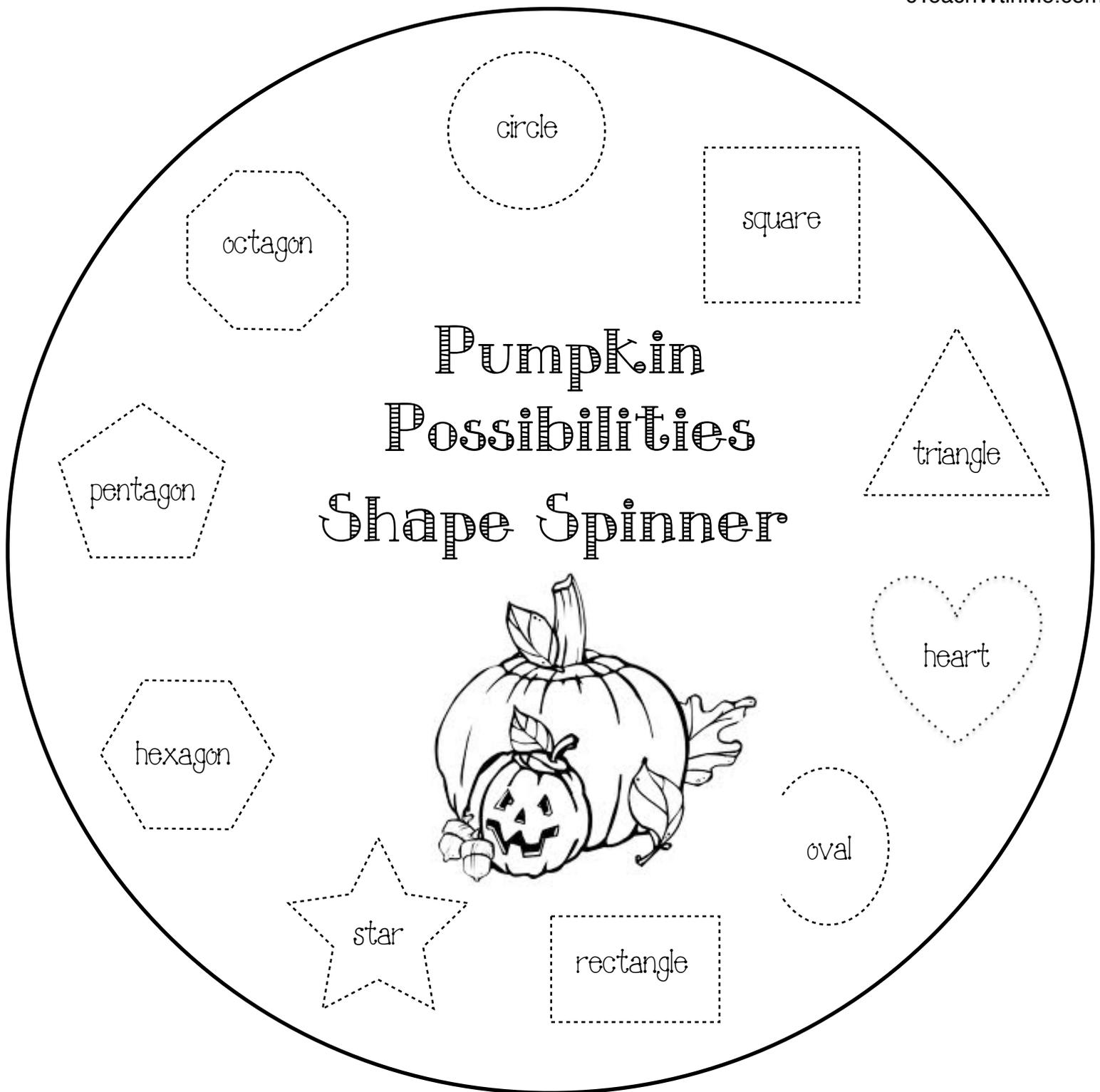
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square



Run off on card stock or white construction paper.

Color the shapes different colors.

Poke a hole in the center with a protractor and attach a large paperclip with a brass brad to make a spinner.

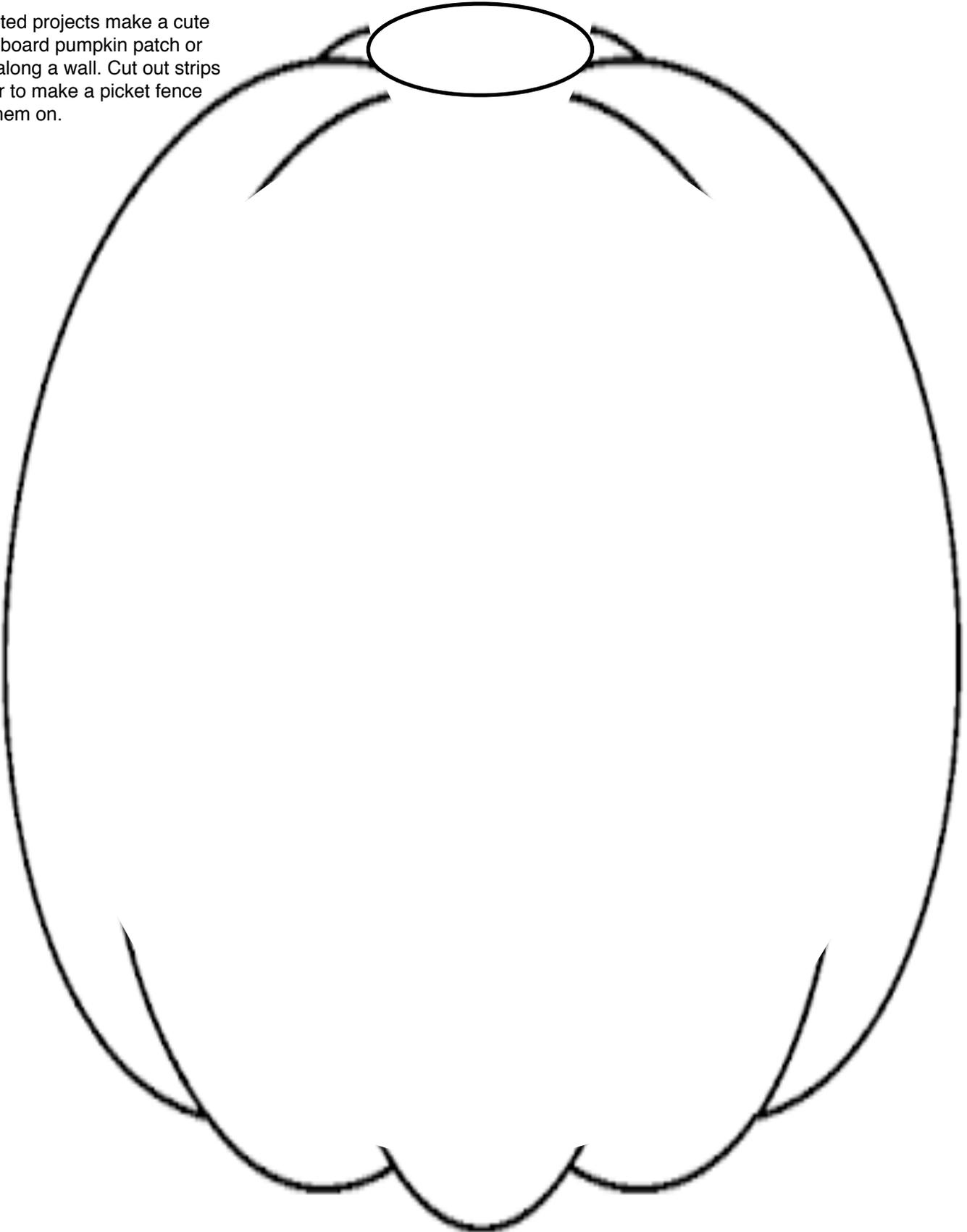
Students play in groups of 2 or 3 taking turns spinning. Whatever shape they spin, students draw a facial feature on their pumpkin. i.e. if they roll a circle they can make an eye, nose, tooth, cheek or stem. Students can have 11 turns to complete their face. So that there are more shapes on their pumpkin have them make the mouth filled in with at least 4 teeth. (See sample.)



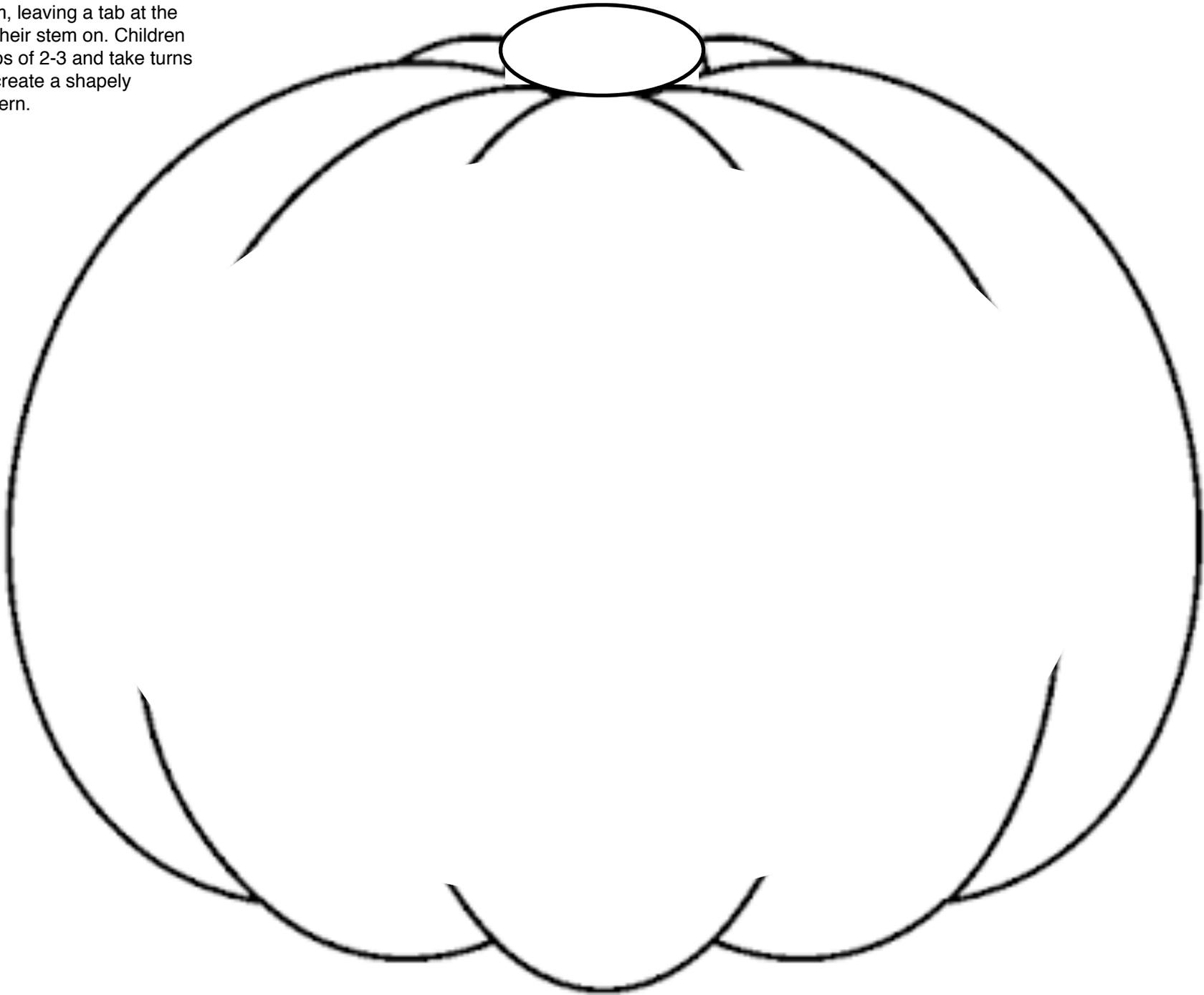
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Completed projects make a cute bulletin board pumpkin patch or border along a wall. Cut out strips of paper to make a picket fence to put them on.



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