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Square  
Shapes on my  
Pumpkin  
To give you a  
Scare!



Peekin  
In A  
Punkin!

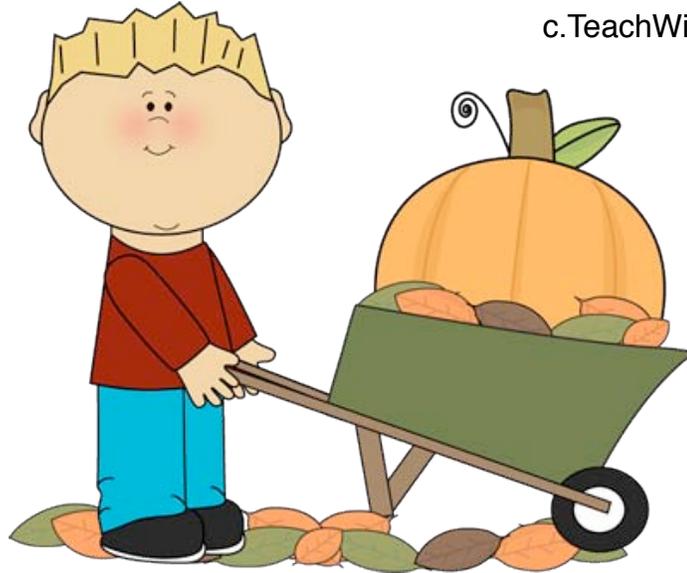


# Peekin' In A Pumpkin

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## Materials:

- Paper plates (2 per child.)
- Scissors
- Stapler
- Hole punch
- Orange paint
- Paint shirts
- Paintbrushes
- Newspaper to cover tables
- Yarn
- Elmer's glue
- Pumpkin seeds
- Green construction paper
- Black construction paper
- Glue sticks



## Here's How To Make A Peekin' In A Pumpkin:

- I took 2 days to do this project. On the 1st day, have children paint their two paper plates orange.
- Before hand, cut a circle out of the center of one of the paper plates.
- The seeds were washed and dried over night. On the 2nd day, give a scoopful of **pumpkin seeds** to each child.
- Have them swirl some paint, mixed with Elmer's glue, on the non-cut plate with a piece of yarn.
- Kiddo's arrange the yarn and **pumpkin seeds** on the plate to look like "**pumpkin guts**".
- When the plates are dry, staple them together. Staple the cut out "window" plate on top of the "pumpkin gut" plate so that it is inverted and 3-dimensional.
- Insert a green rectangular strip of construction paper, punch a hole in it and tie a piece of yarn from it.
- If you'd like to include a little rhyme time, run off the poem-stem on green construction paper. You also need to make sure students have a square on their pumpkin, so I made one with "Peekin' in a Pumpkin" written on it. Have students glue this to the back of their poem stem. Children write their name above or below.
- Students can make a **Jack-O-Lantern** face on the back of their **pumpkin** with a black marker. So that I could review shapes again, I pre-cut a variety of shapes of black construction paper, for children to choose, arrange and then glue to make the face. If you're school is not into Halloween, and do a Harvest theme instead, simply leave the back of the pumpkins plain.
- You don't need a leaf, but if you have time, students can trace their hand (with their fingers spread) on green construction paper, cut out and glue next to their stem.
- Another bit of pizzazz can be added, by punching a hole at the top of the plate, wrap a green pipe cleaner around a pencil and poke it through. This is a quick way to reinforce the fact that pumpkins grow on vines and is wonderful fine-motor practice.
- Suspend your pumpkins from the ceiling and watch them twirl in the breeze.

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You can simply cut strips of green construction paper on a paper cutter to give each child a stem, or if you want to toss in some rhyme-time, run these poem-stems off on green construction paper.

You don't need a leaf, but if students trace and cut their hand (with fingers spread) it makes a cute leaf.

Peekin' in a Pumpkin!					
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If you decide to do the rhyme-time stem, you may want to run these off and have students glue this SQUARE to the back of the stem. They can write their name above or below.



# Life Cycle of a Pumpkin Activities

## Emergent Reader & Crafts



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The Life Cycle  
Of A Pumpkin  
Emergent Reader

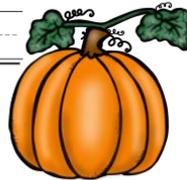


seeds

I plant the pumpkin seeds.

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pumpkin



The pumpkin grows bigger.  
It ripens.

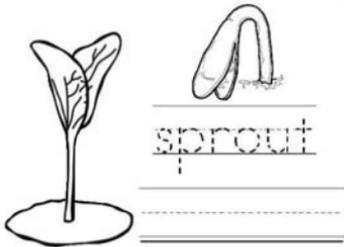
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green

The flower becomes a little  
green pumpkin.

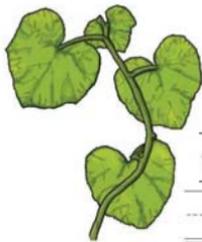
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sprout

A sprout comes up.

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vine

It grows into a vine.

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What will you do with your  
pumpkin?

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Look! It is time to pick the  
pumpkin.

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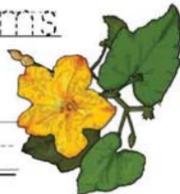


buds

Then buds form.

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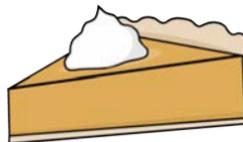
blossoms



They bloom into yellow flowers.

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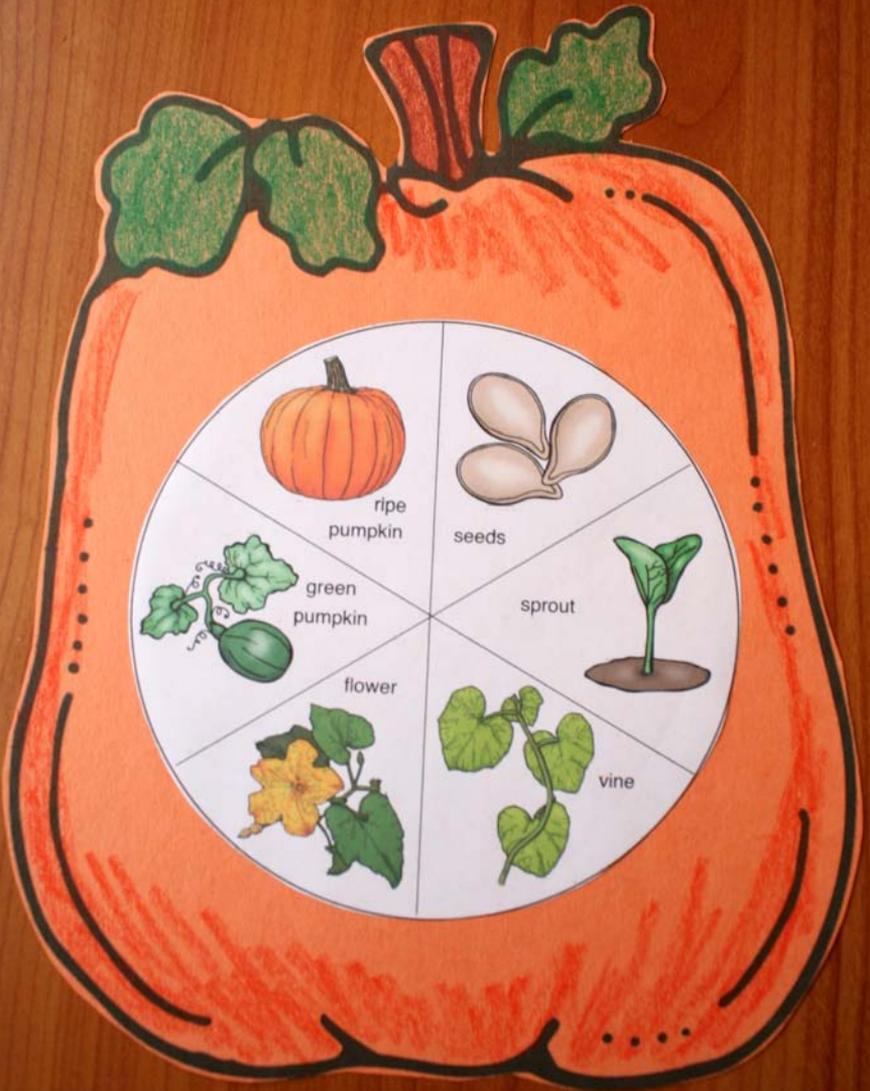
She will help her mom make  
a pumpkin pie.



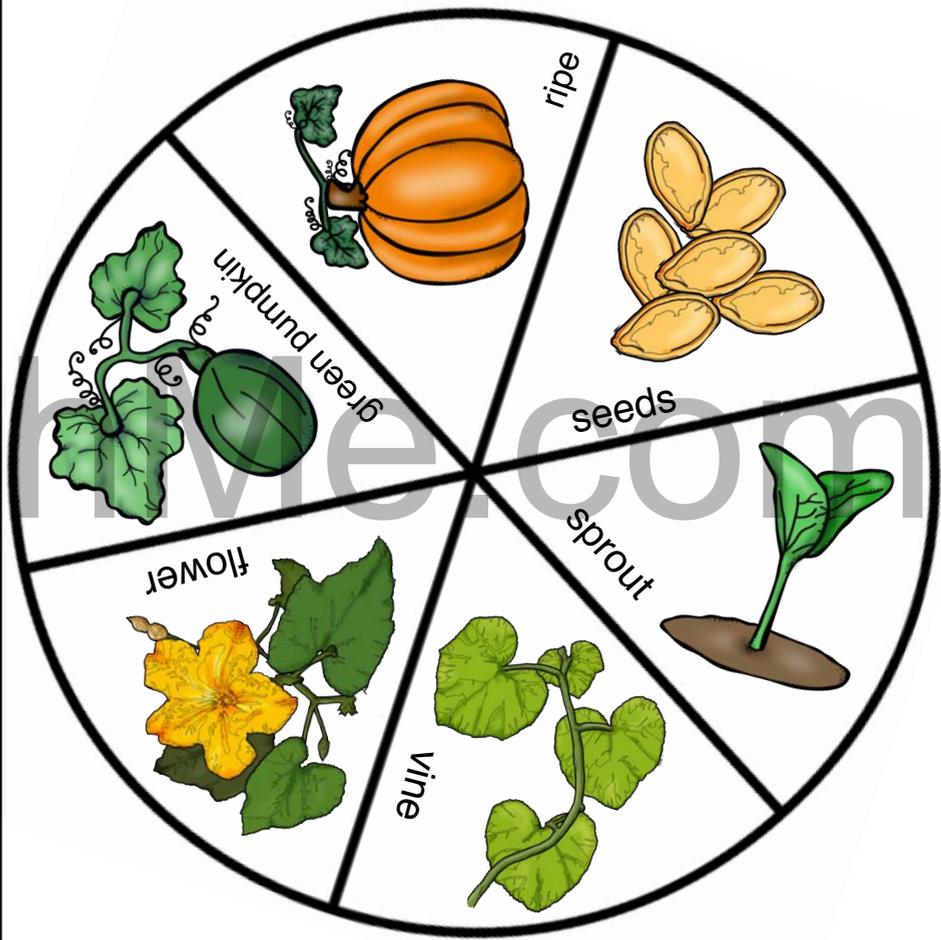
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He will make a  
Jack-o'-lantern with a  
funny face.









# Pumpkin Life Cycle

Pumpkin  
Life Cycle

grows.

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Pumpkin  
Life Cycle



Plant the  
seeds.



The seeds  
sprout.



A sprout  
grows.



A vine  
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A flower  
buds.



A flower  
blooms.



A green  
pumpkin  
forms.



A pumpkin  
ripens.



Picked  
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Jack-o'-lanterns.



Pumpkin  
pie.



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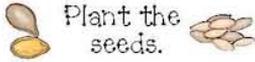
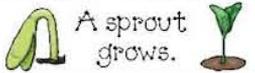
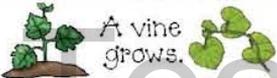
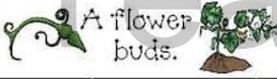
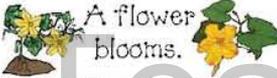
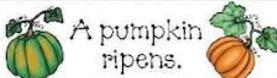
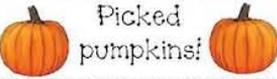
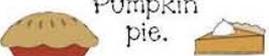
Jack-o'-lanterns.

Pumpkin  
pie.





- There are lots of options for the pumpkin life cycle craftivities.
- You can use paper bowls, large & small paper plates, as well as the pumpkin patterns.
- I've included several sizes of life cycle circles to suit your needs.
- The backs of your projects can feature a Jack-o'-lantern, or the "are: have: can:" writing prompt, or a life cycle.
- For those keepsake finishing touches add a school photo and hand print leaf.
- You can also have older students write a fall poem or other writing prompt on the back of their creation, or simply describe a pumpkin using some wonderful descriptive adjectives.
- If your school doesn't have Halloween restrictions, allow your kiddos a choice.

<b>Pumpkin Life Cycle</b>	
Plant the seeds.	
The seeds sprout.	
A sprout grows.	
A vine grows.	
A flower buds.	
A flower blooms.	
A green pumpkin forms.	
A pumpkin ripens.	
Picked pumpkins!	
Jack-o'-lanterns.	
Pumpkin pie.	

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A flower blooms.	
A green pumpkin forms.	
The pumpkin ripens.	
Pumpkins waiting to be picked.	
Picked pumpkins.	
Jack-o'-lanterns.	
Pumpkin pie.	

**Pumpkin Life Cycle**

Seeds 

Sprout 

Vine 

Flower 

Green Pumpkin 

Ripe Pumpkin 

**Pumpkin Life Cycle**

Seeds 

Sprout 

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Ripe Pumpkin 







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activities as well.

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### Patches The Standard Scarecrow

Letters, Numbers,  
Shapes, Time, Vowels,  
Colors, Blends, Words:  
Rhyming, Compound, CVC,  
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& Contractions.

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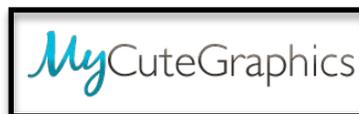
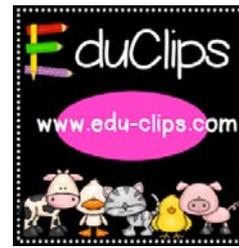
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