

For Our Teacher

We'll miss you a lot because you're special.



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A Memory Book For The Teacher

Swap classes with another teacher to do one for them. (S)he does one for you with your class.

Top 3 pages in black & white too.

Student "autographs"



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A photo of your star students.
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15 different clip art kids for variety.



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Now that "Teacher Appreciation Day" has flown by, are you feeling a little less than appreciated? Just because you didn't get a lot of cards, gifts, or recognition from your students, does not mean that they don't love and appreciate you, they simply have busy parents who aren't aware of all the Hallmark Holidays, or haven't discovered the plethora of ideas on Pinterest.

My own husband, who is extremely romantic, still can't get his head wrapped around Sweetest Day, but since he spoils me rotten in a variety of ways, I'm certain I'm his sweetheart, regardless if he remembers to buy me a card on the 3rd Saturday of October proclaiming the fact.

Realistically, a lot of parents think of an end-of-the-year gift or some sort of acknowledgement of how much their child enjoyed being in your class, on the last day of school. Those compliments and hugs are tremendous energy boosters, which you may need right now.

Teachers obviously don't teach because of their need for recognition. They do so because they are passionate about what they do, spending countless hours on lessons, and their own money decorating their classroom, buying supplies and books, plus prizes, treats and snacks for their kiddos.

But let's face it, when you're exhausted and overwhelmed with so much to do, in such a short amount of time, it's nice to feel appreciated, and that someone out there notices all that you do. A simple smile and thank you certainly goes a long way.

While cruising the Internet, I found all sorts of lovely ideas I would have truly enjoyed getting from my students. These are not gift-type things, but "paper love" that they created especially for me, straight from their heart.

I don't know of any child who doesn't enjoy a secret, or making a surprise for someone they care about, but they are only little kids, and sometimes need a few crafty and creative moms to get the ball rolling.



With that thought in mind, I designed a teacher memory book. It's quick, easy, fun, AND because it's a writing prompt, it has educational merit!

If you want one as a "surprise" from your kiddos, find a fellow teacher who also thinks this is a good idea, then swap classes for 15-20 minutes. She talks to your kiddos and asks them if they'd like to make a gift for their teacher (of course they do) and explains that it is a secret and surprise for the last day of school. Enough said; they are definitely on board and probably thrilled! You do the same for her class.

If you're reading this, and are one of those thoughtful room helpers, I've included a note home to parents. Tuck in their Take Home Folder along with their child's page, to complete with their parents and then send back to school.

If stuffing take home folders is not one of your jobs, you could put this in a manila envelope and pass out to the children to put in their backpacks and then return to you.

How to assemble the book:

Mount the pages on construction paper, laminate and make into a booklet; or staple them in a file folder gluing the cover to the front, or simply glue the pages in a notebook.

I've included full color as well as black and white versions for the first 3 pages, as well as 15 student writing prompt pages with different clip art to add variety to the booklet.

Final Thoughts:

I have a smile file and have saved some of my most favorite pictures, coloring pages and notes from my students and their parents. Whenever I needed a lift, I took a few moments to go down memory lane. Reading "paper love" refreshed my spirit, touched my heart and gave me energy.

My enthusiasm was jumpstarted and I was inspired and ready to hit the ground running, with a smile on my face and a garage sale map in my hand, off to collect more cool "stuff" for my classroom and kids.



I hope this teacher memory book lifts your spirits in the same way, and even if you don't make one, know that your students truly care.

Brandi Snyder says it wonderfully: "To the world you may just be one person, but to one person you may be the world." and I Thank you. Having "been there" and "done that" I for one, truly appreciate all that teachers do.

"A good teacher is like a candle; they consume themselves to light the way for others." -
Unknown



“Teachers who inspire, encourage minds to think, hands to create, and hearts to love.”

-Dr. Anthony P. Witham

Date:

Dear Families,

Shhhh! It's a secret. We are going to make a surprise memory book for

_____.

Please have your child color the attached page and help them fill it out.

I will be collecting and collating these into a memory book on _____, so I need their page on or before that day.

Please put it back in the envelope. Thanks in advance for your help and cooperation.

Respectfully,

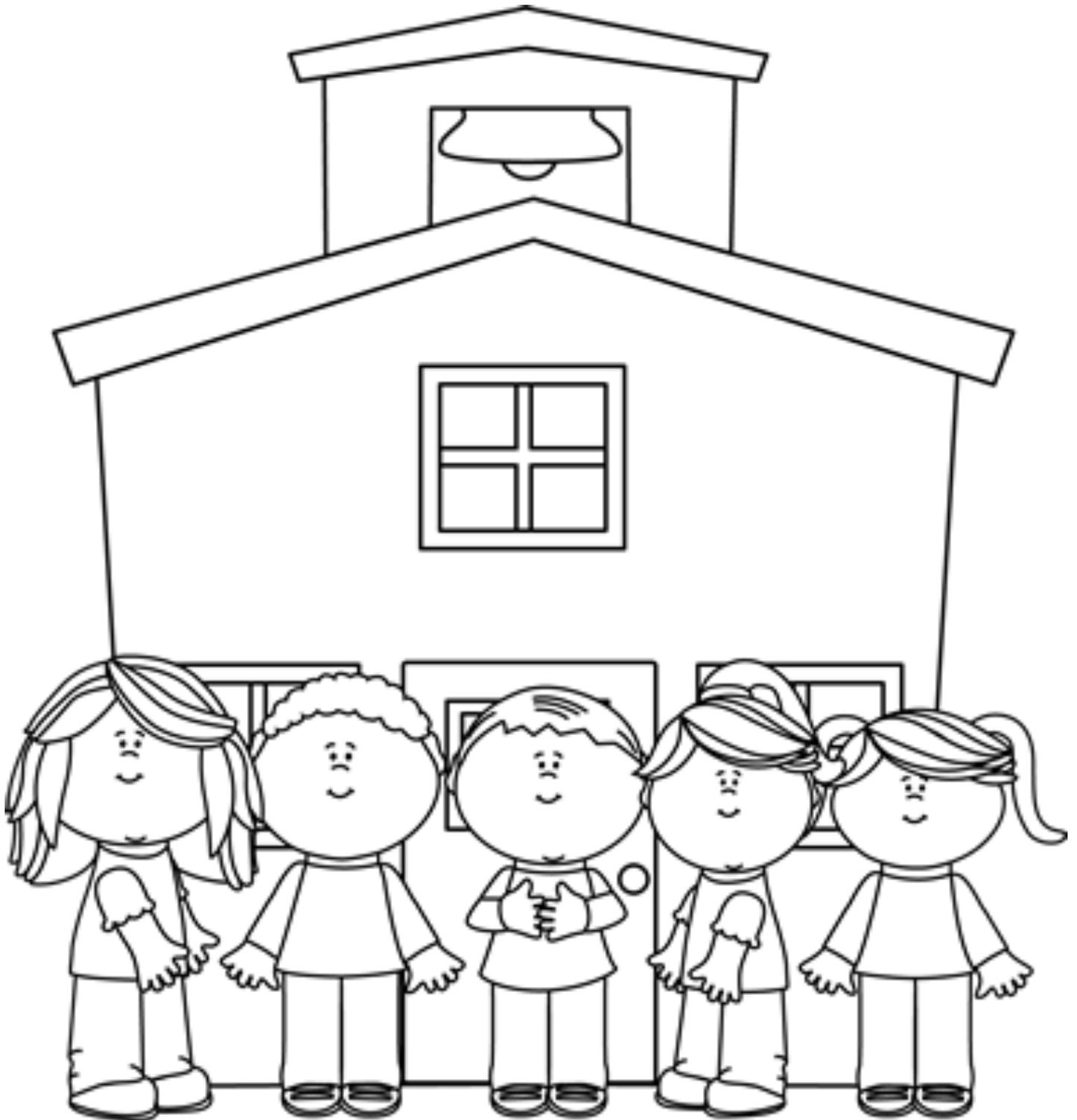
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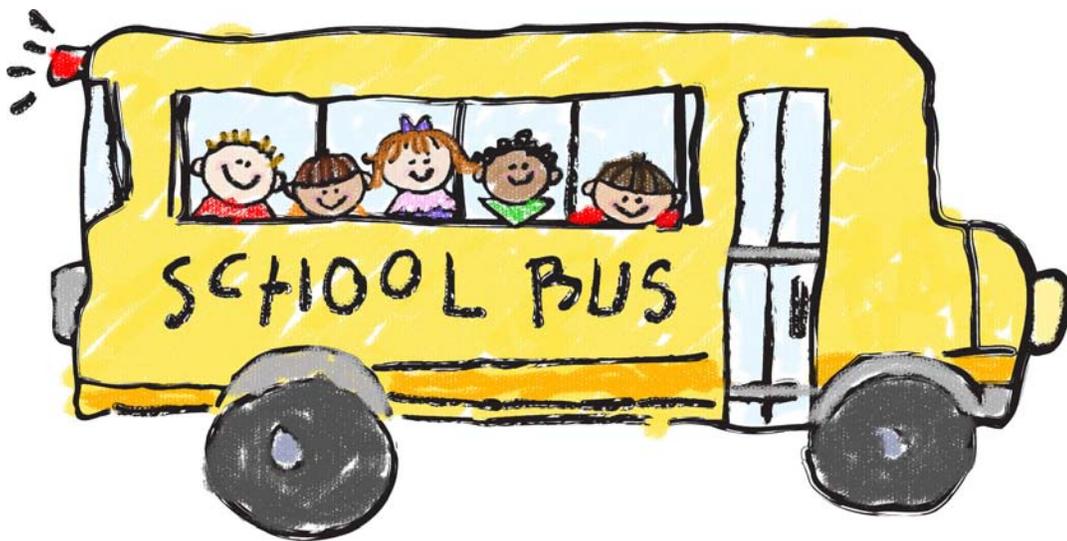
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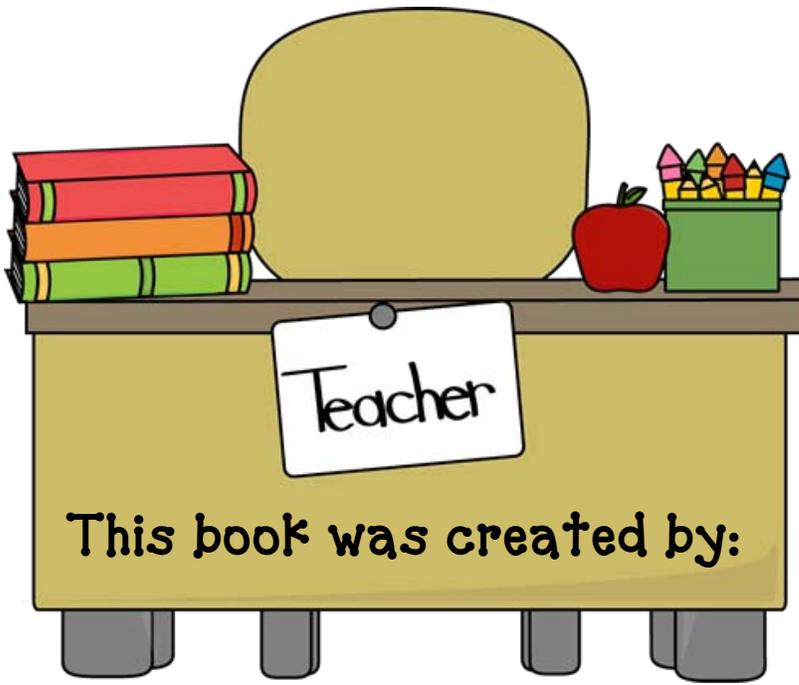
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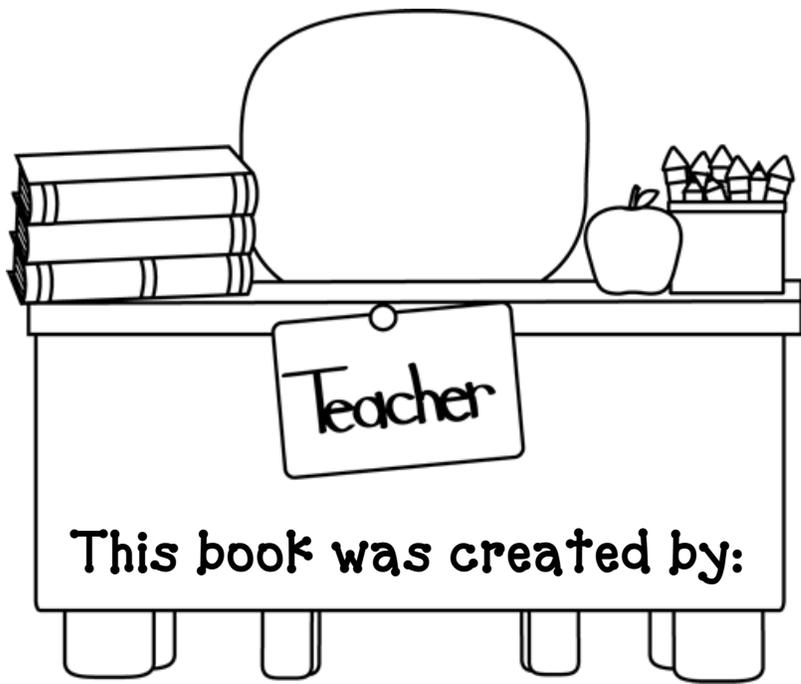
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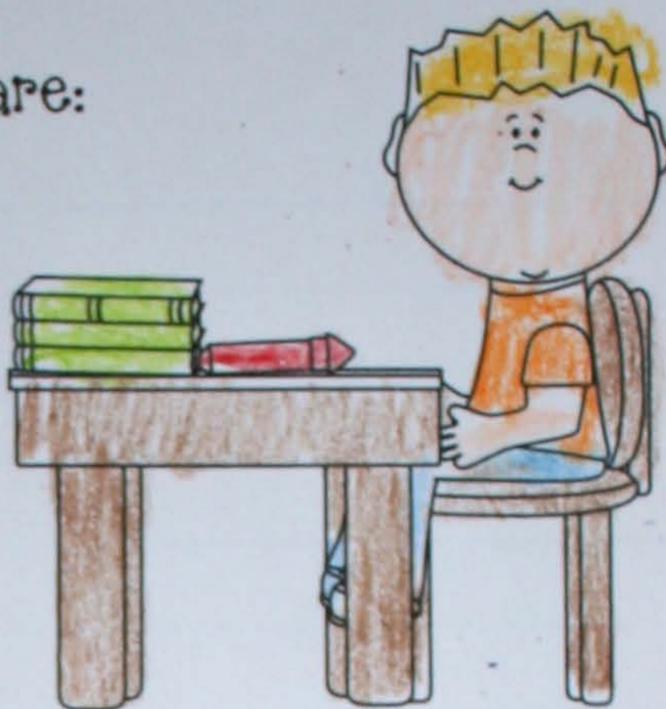
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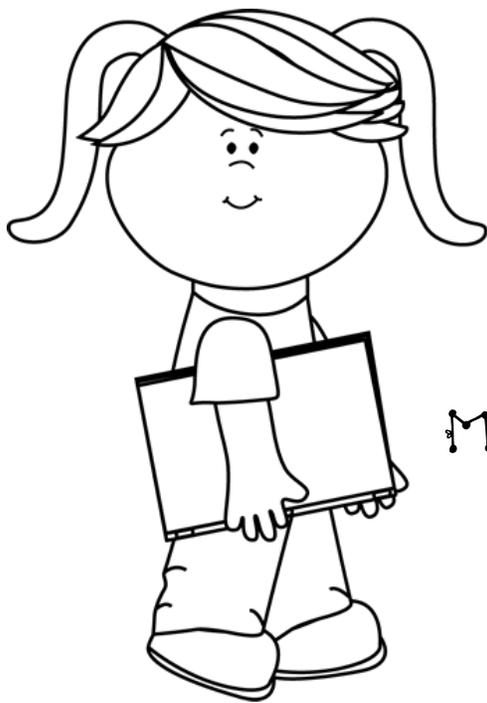
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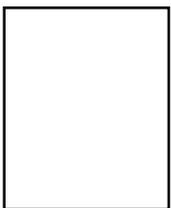


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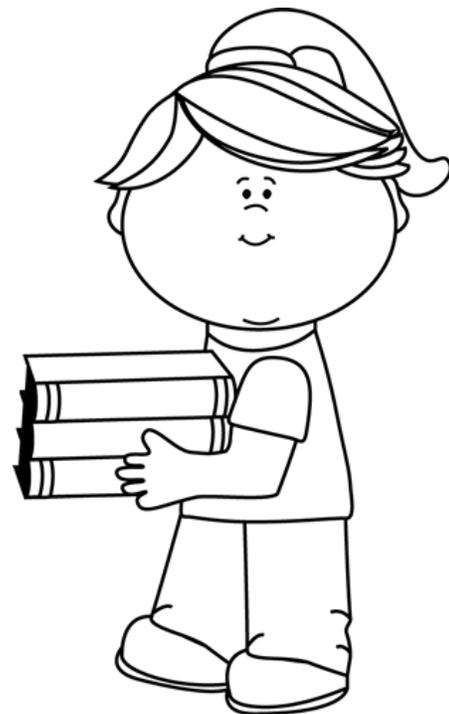
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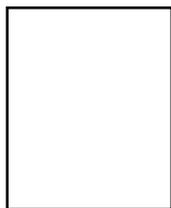
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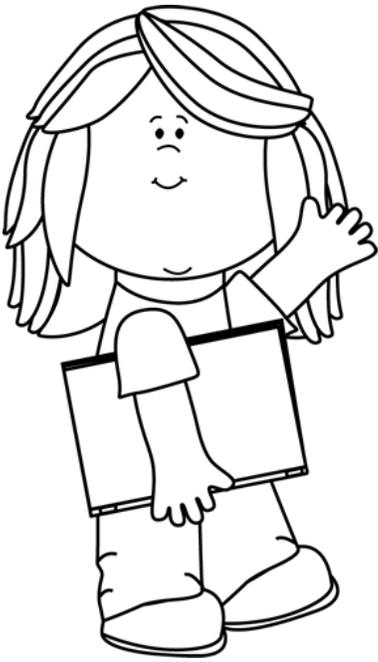


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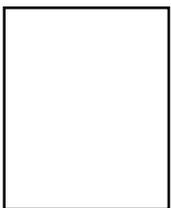


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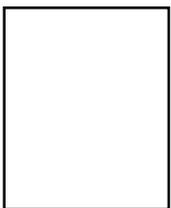


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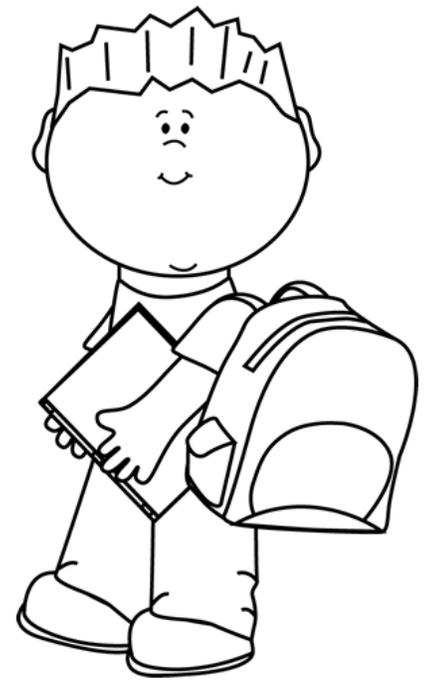
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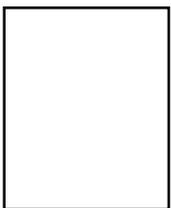
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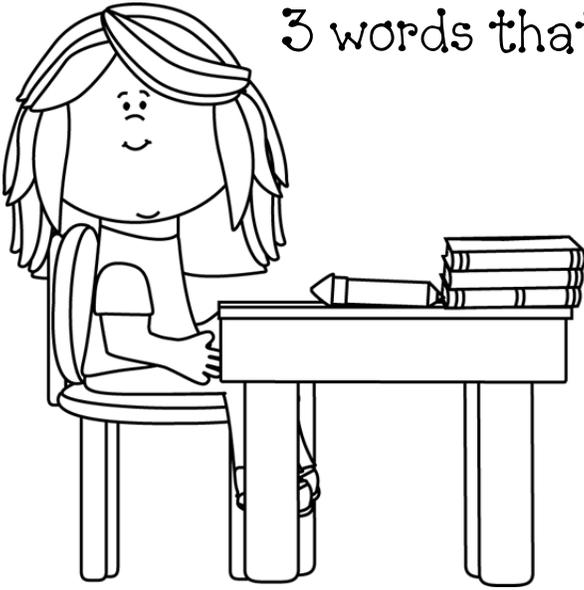
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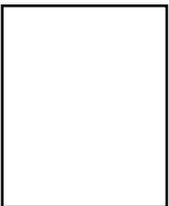
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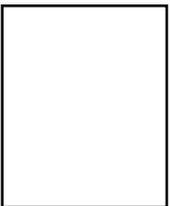


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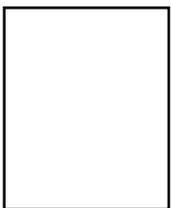
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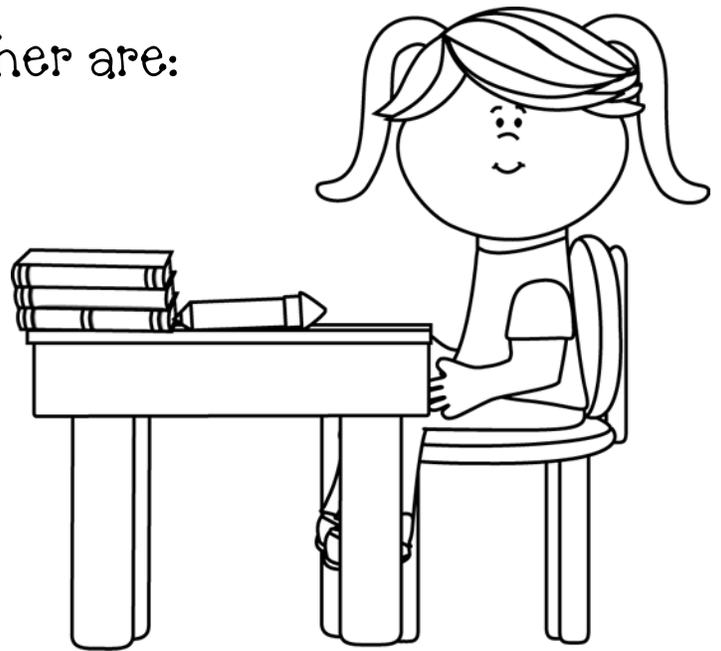
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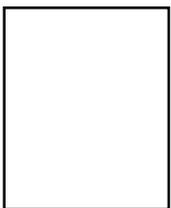
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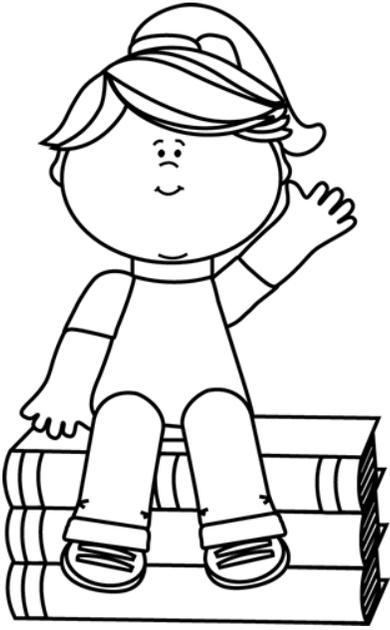
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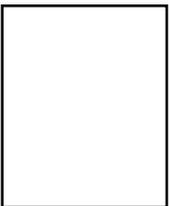
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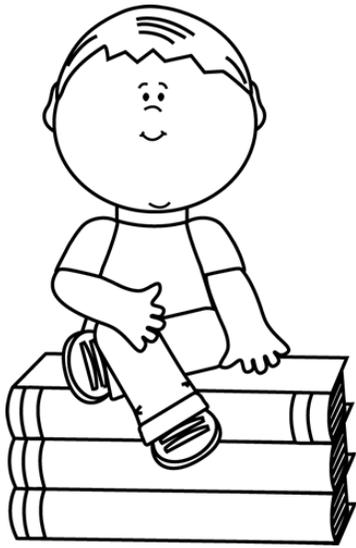


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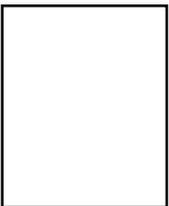


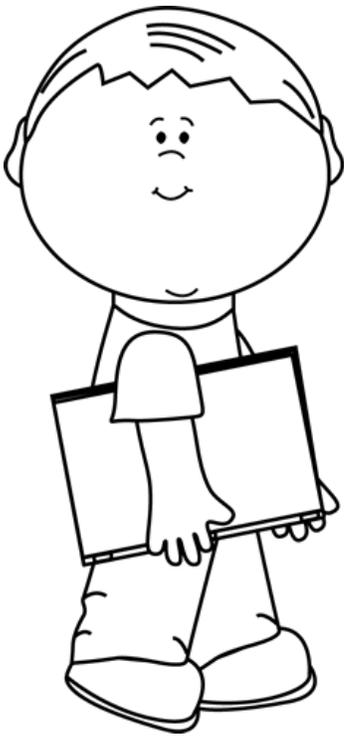
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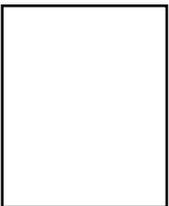


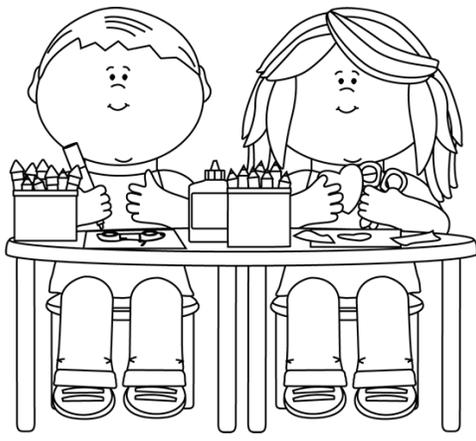
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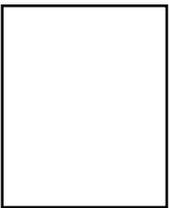


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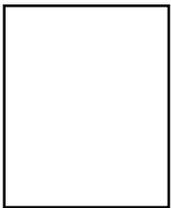


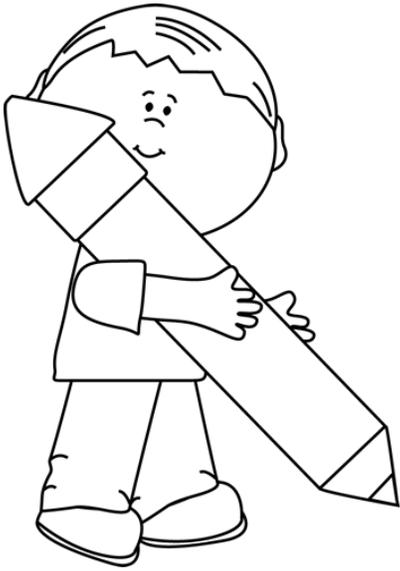
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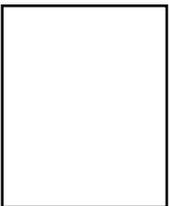


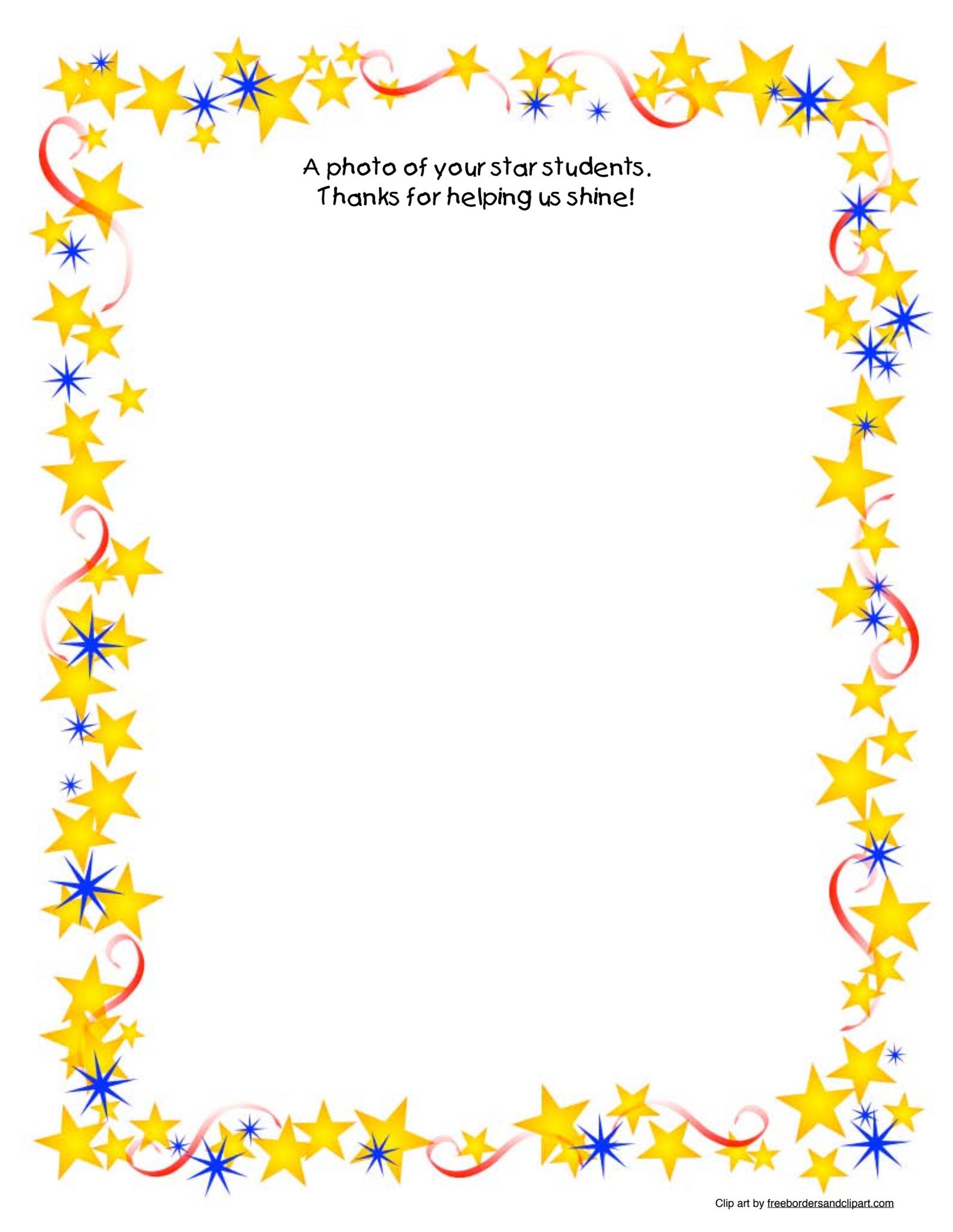
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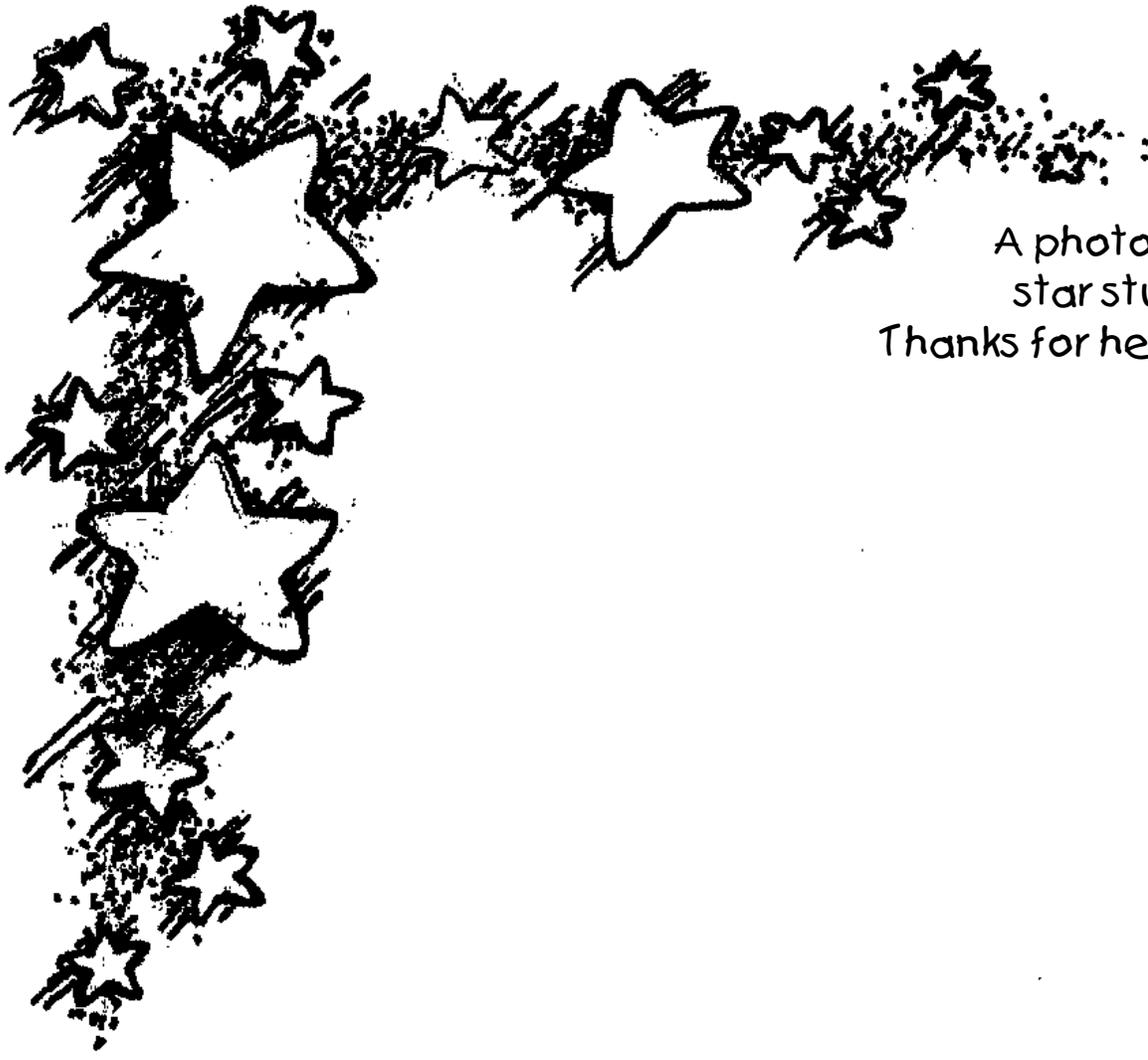
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You can print, trim and glue to a photo page.
Another photo idea is to have students hold up
letter cards that spell Thank you!

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*For your patience and caring,
for kind words and sharing,
for your zest for living,
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for helping us every day,
we just want to say.... “Thank you!”*

*“Teachers who love teaching,
teach children to love learning.”*

-Unknown





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