Handmade Gifts Celebrate Relationships

Gifts from Hand and Heart



CONNECT the people in your heart with the gifts your hands can make. List family members, friends, or community members who you appreciate. Before deciding what gifts to make, consider how handmade gifts can express gratitude and caring or be a promise or wish for another person. Some gifts are functional, inspirational, beautiful, tasty, and/or sentimental. How can a handmade gift express gratitude, optimism, caring, and a promise to or wish for another person?

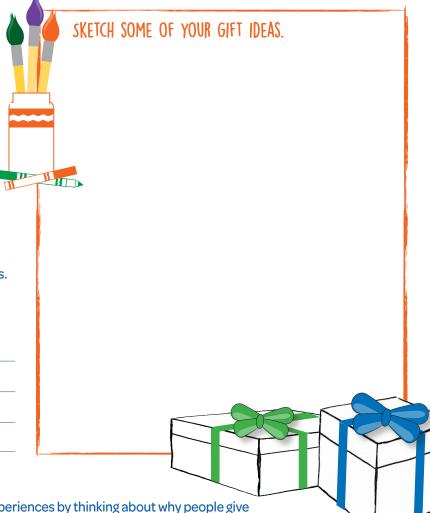
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CREATE some of the gifts on your lists. Remember that a handmade gift could be a poem, promise, picture, craft, artifact, song, or many other items that you make. Consider what would make that gift meaningful to the person you will give it to.



PRESENT the handmade gifts to others. How did making and giving the gifts impact your relationships?





RESPOND to the gift making and giving experiences by thinking about why people give gifts. What is more important than the monetary value of a gift? How does giving and receiving gifts make you feel?

