

# Fall Leaf Classroom Activities

Crafts are a great way to keep children entertained while teaching them through hands-on activities. Here are some wonderful craft ideas for fall.

## Class Tree

Use pieces of brown construction paper to create a tree trunk on the wall of your classroom. Use red, yellow and orange construction paper to cut out leaves. The leaves should be big enough to write each child's name. Ask each kid what his or her favorite thing about fall is, and write it on the leaf. Allow the child to pick a spot on the tree trunk, and have them tape their leaf to it. This is a fun creative thinking activity. It also allows the children to learn something new about each other.

## Wiggly Leaves

If you have a leaf shaped cookie cutter, you can make jell-o leaves. You can either make them solid colors such as red, yellow and orange or a mixture of colors. If you want to make them several different colors, you will have to layer them. Make one color of jell-o first. Pour into a cake pan or some other type of pan with high sides. Allow that to set in the refrigerator. Continue to do this with the rest of the colors; you can use one color more than once as well. When you cut into the finished product, the layers will be visible.

## Leaf Buddy

Divide the class into groups of three, and give each group three cups with different color food coloring in them. Allow them to use a paintbrush to drop the colors onto a coffee filter. Once it has dried help them cut up a leaf shaped body. Use felt or construction paper for arms and legs. You should end up with a funny leaf man that they created.

