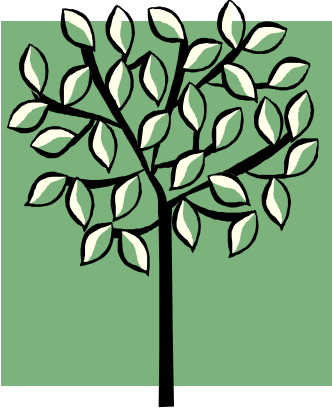


# THANKSGIVING SHARE-IDEAS

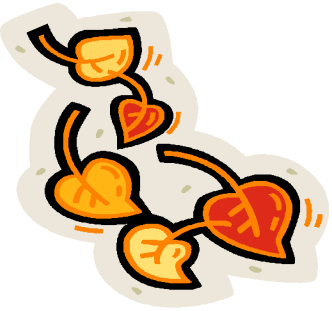


## A THANKSGIVING TREE



Create a Thankful Tree and fill it with thankful word leaves. Try putting real branches in a corner, or make a colored paper tree on a wall, or bring in a small potted tree from the woods to fill with thankful word leaves. Children enjoy drawing and cutting out different leaf shapes and writing or dictating a thankful word for each leaf on the tree. Your leaves may include everything from family, friends, toys, ice cream, puppies, butterflies and beetles to school and teachers. Don't be surprised if some Children want to make their very own thankful trees to take home.

## LEAF CRITTERS



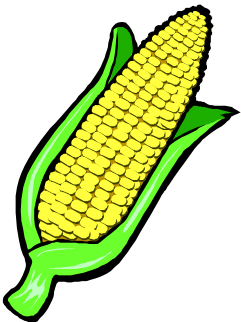
As children bring in dried leaves, why not make a "Leaf Critter" wall mural full of leaf creatures? The leaves form the bodies, scraps of colored paper can become the heads legs tails, ears, and of the imaginary leaf animals. Kids will create stories about them.

## TWO SPECIAL THANKSGIVING WORDS

Write the word **THANKSGIVING** on a large piece of paper. As you say the verse, cut the word in half and put the last word up in front.

*Thanksgiving has two special words.  
To find them, try this stunt.  
Just cut Thanks giving right in two.  
And put the first word up in front.  
Giving thanks is a very good thing to do.*

## A POPCORN TASTING PARTY



The Indians knew that if corn kernels were thrown into fire embers, they would pop. We are thankful for their gift of popcorn, and many other foods that we still enjoy today. It is fun to taste food as we talk about the many things the early European settlers learned from the first Americans.