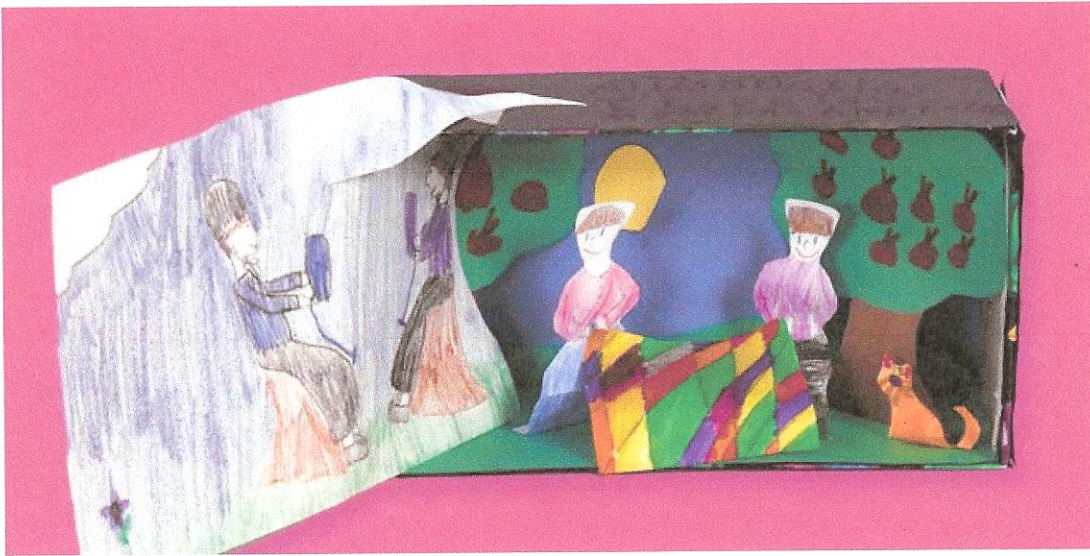


# Amish Quilters



## Crayola Supplies

Construction Paper™ Crayons

Markers

No-Run School Glue

Pointed Tip Scissors

Construction Paper

Giant Floor Pad

## Household Supplies

recycled boxes

## Why?

Make dioramas depicting the endurance of an old world culture in modern times.

## Steps

1. After researching information about the Amish way of life, discuss how quilting is a necessity as well as a way for women to socialize within the Amish community. How is the Amish way of life similar to, and different from, your own life?
2. Use various colors of Crayola® Construction Paper™ Crayons and Crayola Washable Markers on construction paper to create a diorama background inside a recycled box. Attach the background with Crayola

School Glue.

3. On white paper, draw and color various figures of women and girls who are taking part in a quilting bee. Cut them out with Crayola Scissors. Glue the figures inside the box.
4. Create an Amish quilt design with crayons. Place it on a quilting frame or in a quilter's lap in your diorama.

### **Adaptations**

Design an Amish quilt pattern, color it on white paper using Crayola Fabric Crayons. Iron the pattern on fabric. Sew together to create a class quilt.

Research Amish quilt patterns to find the meaning of each design.

Younger children and students with special needs cut and use geometric shapes such as circles, triangles, squares, and rectangles to copy, or form an original, quilt pattern.

### **Benefits**

Students research details about the Amish way of life, such as farming and quilt making.

Students compare and contrast their own way of living to that of the Amish lifestyle.

Students construct a diorama showing Amish women making quilts.

### **Grades**

Grades 1 to 3  
Grades 4 to 6  
Special Needs

### **Subjects**

Social Studies  
Visual Arts

### **Time**

30 to 60 minutes  
Multiple Sessions

## Curriculum Standards Links

US: [Research U.S. Standards](#)

UK: [Research UK Standards](#)

Canada: [Research Canada Standards](#)

## Safety Guidelines

**Small Parts**— **WARNING: CHOKING HAZARD**—Small parts. Not for children under 3 years.

**Scissors**—**ATTENTION:** The cutting edges of scissors are sharp and care should be taken whenever cutting or handling. Blunt-tip scissors should be used only by children 4 years and older. Pointed-tip scissors should be used only by children 6 years and older.

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