

Christmas

THE LEGEND OF THE POINSETTIA LITERACY UNIT



INCLUDES GOOGLE SLIDES

Special Needs for Special Kids



These literacy units are something I created and started using in my classroom. I had students with significant challenges and most were **non-readers**. This is a great way to expose all students to some great books.

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In a separate file, there are directions and links to digital versions of these activities.

This unit has 5 activities to go with this book to last a full week of instruction.

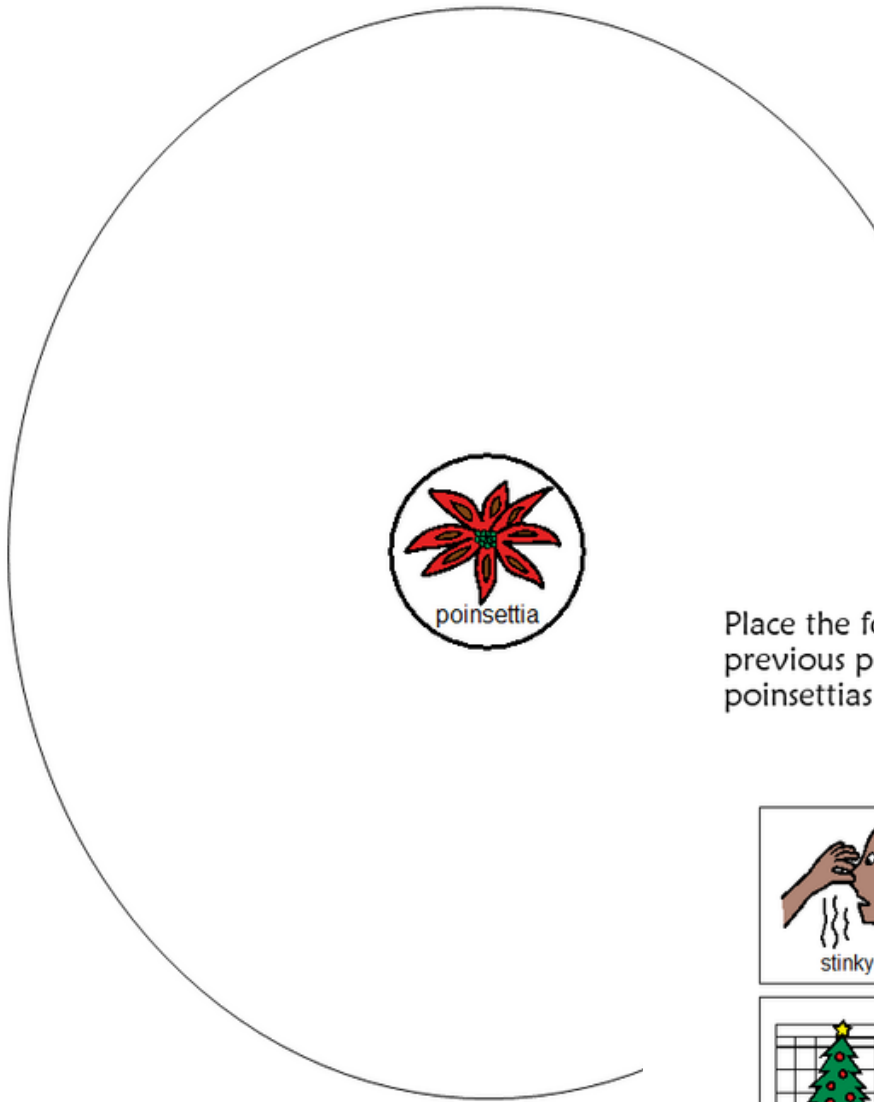


This unit comes with a storyboard.

Storyboards are great for ALL students to assist with participation and engagement in group discussions.

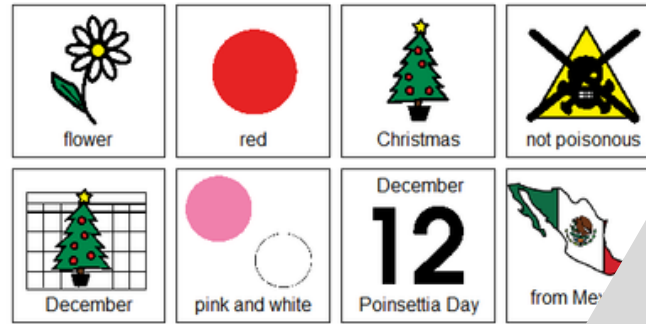
Tips on how to use in the unit!!

What are some things we know about poinsettias?

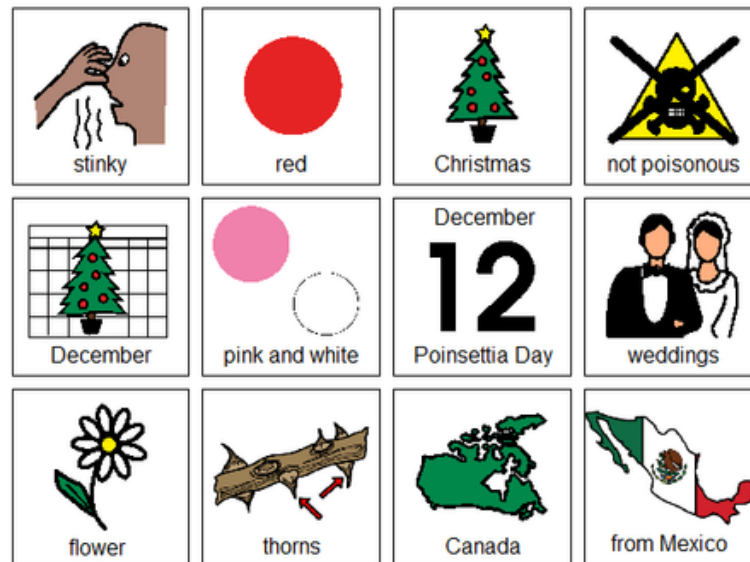


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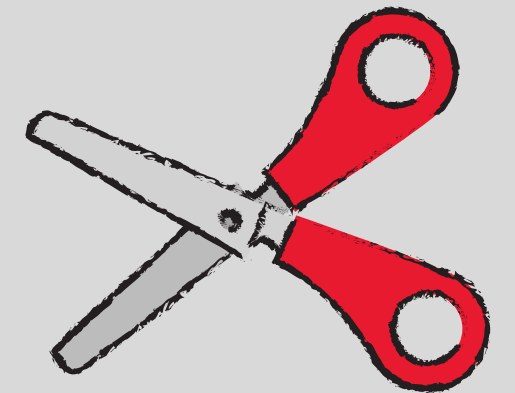
Place the following pictures in the circle map on the previous page to show what things you learn about poinsettias.



Place the following pictures in the circle map on the previous page **ONLY IF** it shows something learned about poinsettias



There is a circle map on poinsettias. There is an option that only has correct answers and one that has wrong answers mixed in.



What are some things that can get tangled?

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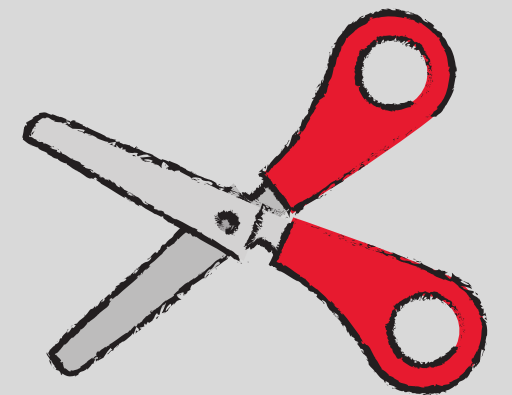
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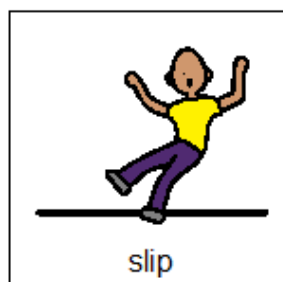
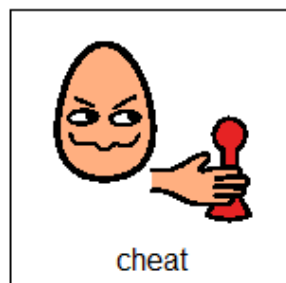
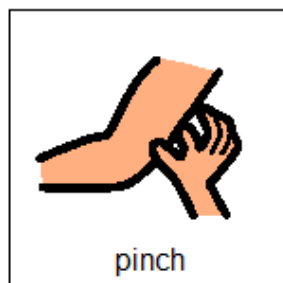
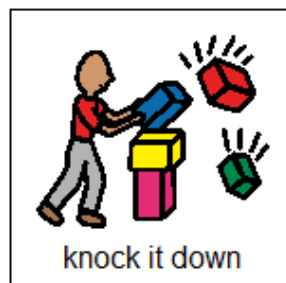
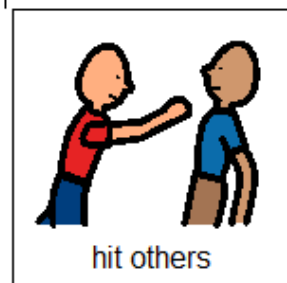
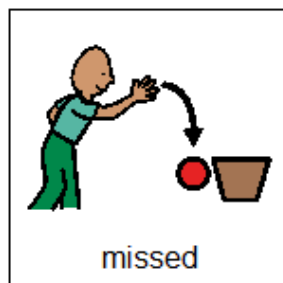
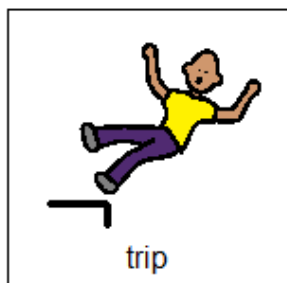
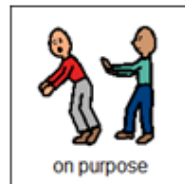
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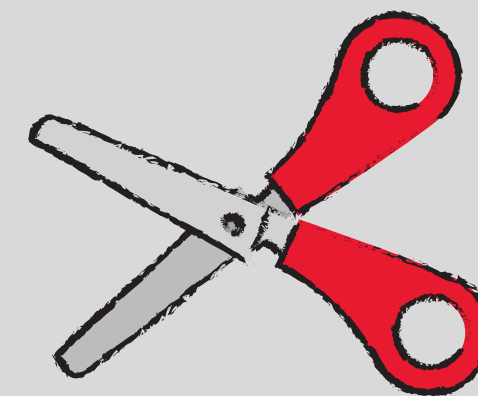
There is also a circle map on things that get tangled. There is an option that only has correct answers and one that has wrong answers mixed in.



Some things are accidents, and some things are done on purpose. Look at the pictures and decide if you think they were an accident or done on purpose.



Students will sort things that are done by accident and things that are done on purpose.



What is a Miracle?

A miracle is often defined as something that happens which cannot be explained. Many people believe that the power of God or some other unknown force is involved.

Hundreds of years ago, miracles were often used as evidence that God was at work. People were healed or even brought back to life after they had died.

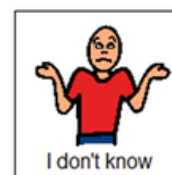
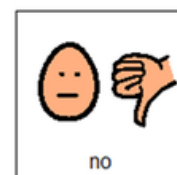
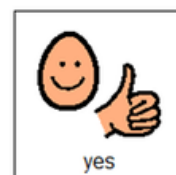
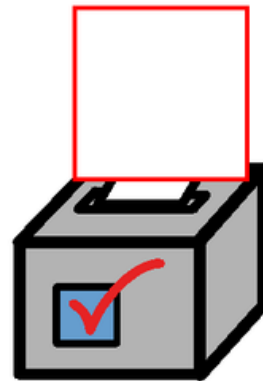
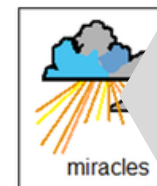
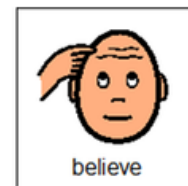
Today, many people believe miracles still occur. Here are some examples of modern miracles.

1. In 2015, A "mysterious voice" led rescuers to find child who survived for 14 hours in submerged car.
2. Ruby Graupera-Cassimiro came back to life. She had no pulse for 45 minutes when her heart started to beat again on its own.
3. President Jimmy Carter was diagnosed with brain cancer. He was not expected to live for very long. But, this past December, with the help of doctors and medications, he announced his cancer was completely gone.
4. After being in a wheelchair for 22 years, Delia was able to walk again after attending a prayer service by Pastor Morr

Some people believe in miracles, and some do not. That is ok. It still is an interesting thing to think about.

Students will read a passage about miracles and then vote on whether or not they believe in them. There are suggestions for group activities with the results for the vote.

Time to vote!! Do you believe in miracles?



My simple gift

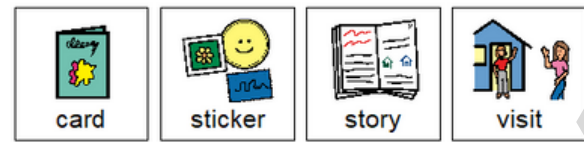
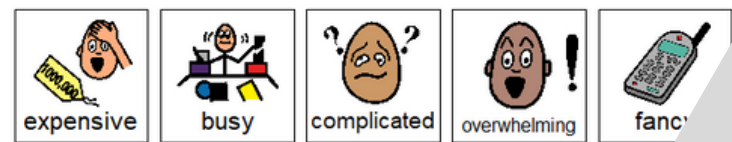
Some gifts can be very , but they don't have to be.

A makes a great gift, and it is simple.

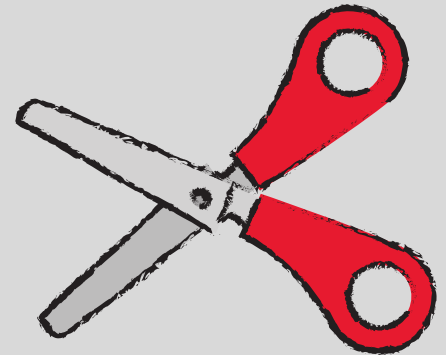
Once, I gave someone a , and they loved it.

Remember it is the that makes a gift special

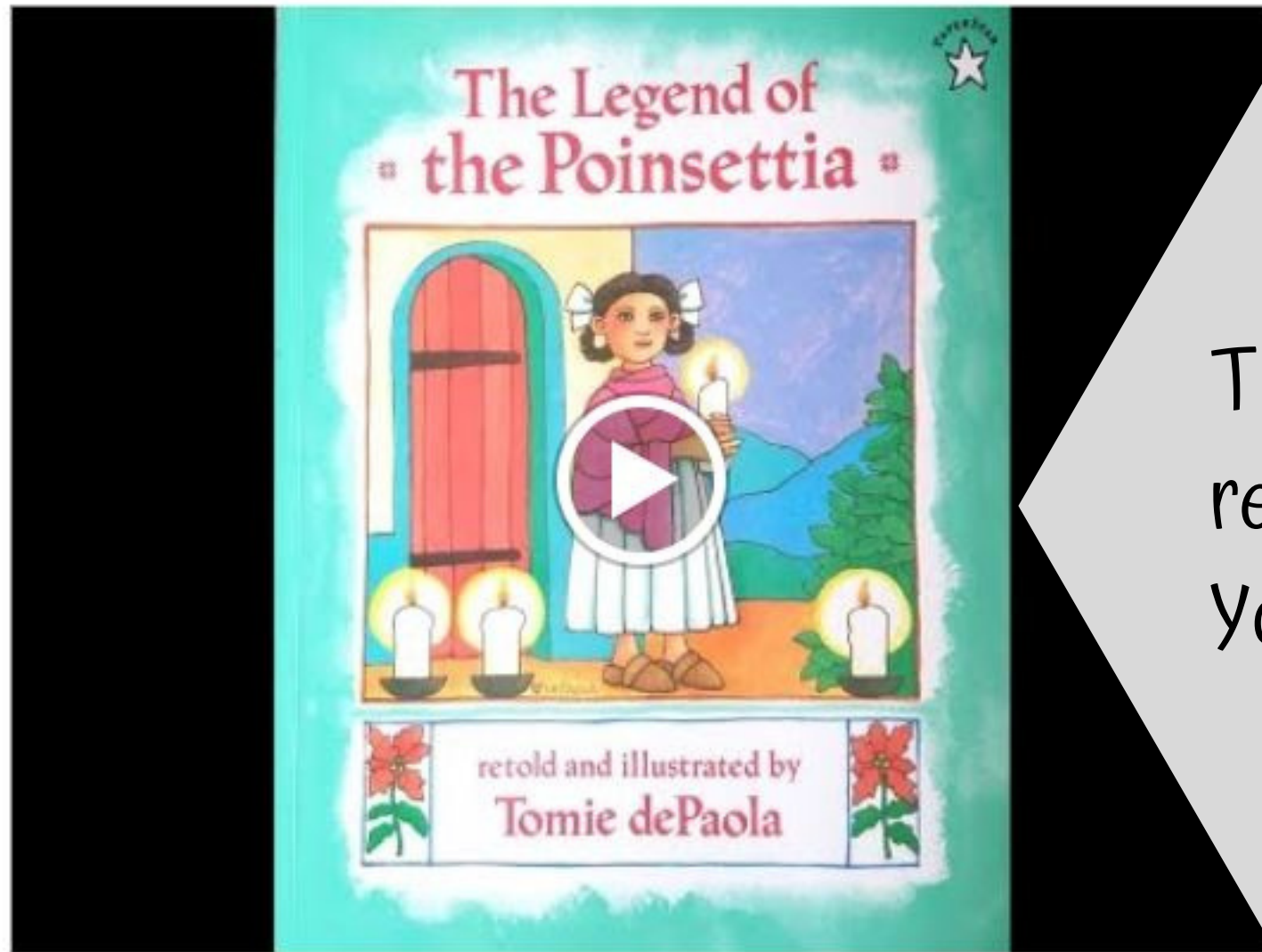
Simple gifts can make people feel .



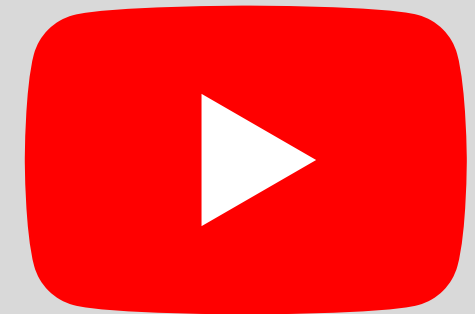
Students will write a story about giving a simple gift. This is an errorless task and a great way for students to write a story independently.



Listen to The Legend of the Poinsettia read aloud



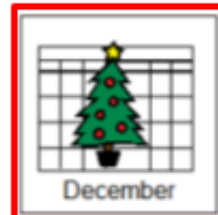
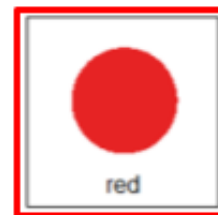
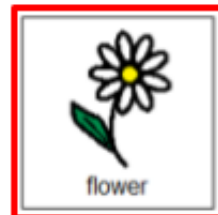
There is a video of the book read aloud. This is a video from YouTube.



Make great independent learning centers



Place some of the pictures in circle map showing some things you know about poinsettias.



There are digital versions of the activities included. Students click and drag the answers.

Perfect for every learning level

My simple gift

Some gifts can be very but they don't have to be.

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Once, I gave someone a , and they loved it.

Remember it is the that makes a gift special.

Simple gifts can make people feel .

Choose a word to finish each sentence.

 expensive	 busy	 complicated	 overwhelming	 fancy
 card	 sticker	 story	 visit	 gift
 poem	 phone call	 drawing	 picture	 person
 thought	 meaning	 effort	 person	 delight
 loved	 special	 great	 happy	 important

There are 2 sets, one that includes differentiation using color shown here. Mix and match from both sets to create the perfect set of slides for each student.