

# Martin Luther King Day

A mini unit for preschool,  
pre-K and Kindergarten aged  
children

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## SPARK!

"I have a dream". Show a photo of Dr. King and explain that he was a great speaker who spoke to everyone who would listen, about kindness and respect for all. We remember him and his ideas because sometimes, people are NOT kind to one another.

## LEARNING CIRCLE

When you were sleeping last night, did you have a dream? Talk about different types of dreams - sleepy time dreams, or imagining something that might happen. Children talk about their dreams and ideas for a peaceful, friendly preschool group, neighborhood, and world. Show pictures from Peter Spiers' book, "People", if you have it.

## DISCOVERY

- Drawing with multicultural "skin color" crayons. Of course, multicultural activities are included in your program daily. This is a special day to celebrate the birthday and some ideas of Dr. King
- Children dictate own story about an act of kindness they have seen, or would like to do. Teacher writes it.

## CREATIVE ART

Create a line of children with multicultural paper doll shapes. Children cut out different patterns and shapes to glue on dolls, and draw faces and hair. Make a display in the entry or bulletin board, with all the paper dolls holding hands. Write a simple caption for the children to "read".

## MUSIC

Song: "Dr. King had a dream for P-E-A-C-E"

He wanted people to be friends and live in harmony.

He had lots of love to share

He spread kindness everywhere

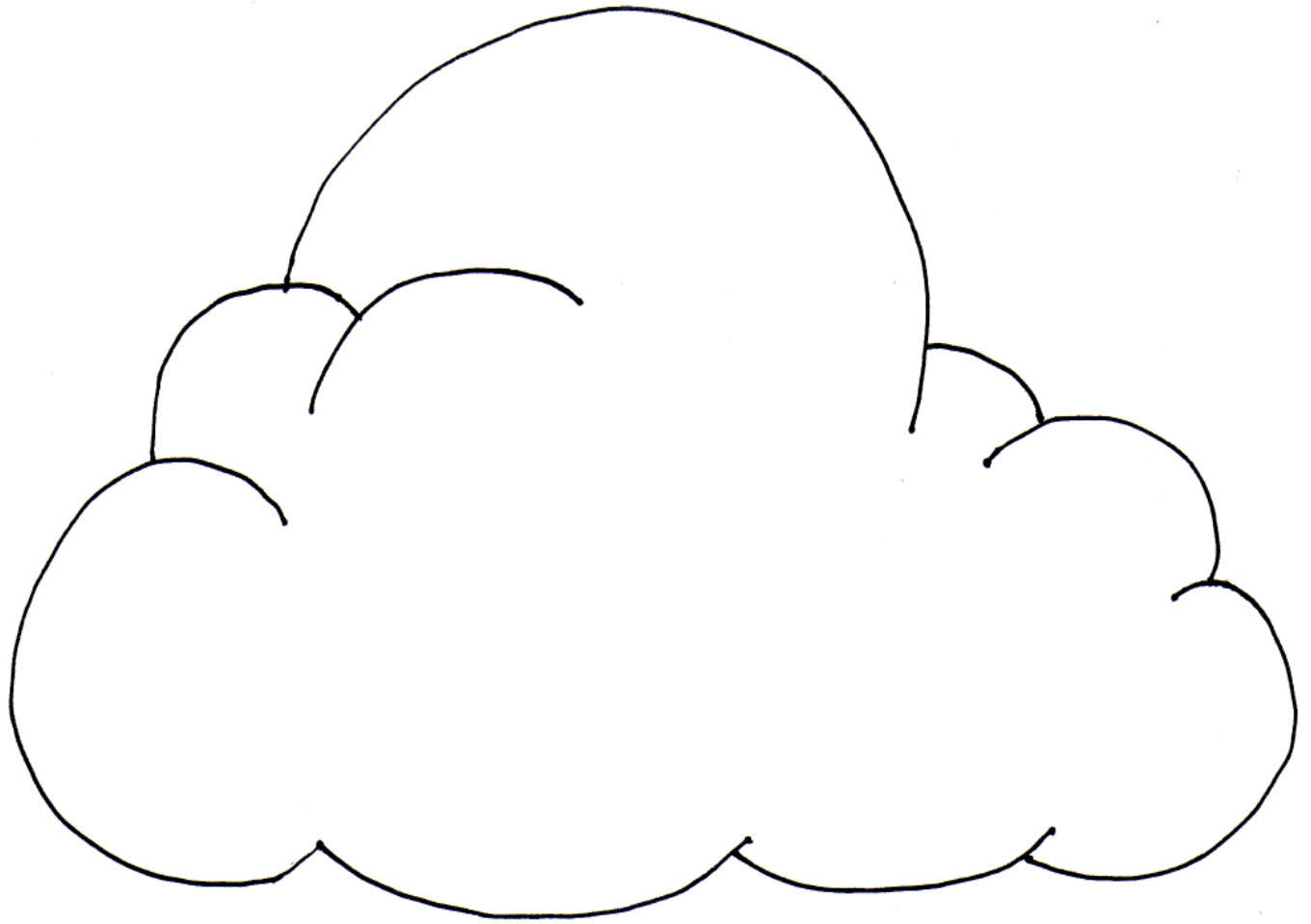
Dr King had a dream for P-E-A-C-E" (Tune: Old MacDonald)

## STORY

[A Picture Book of Martin Luther King, Jr.](#) by David Adler. Or read any book about caring and sharing.

## GAME

Recognize a person by gently touching their face with eyes closed. Teacher gives clues.



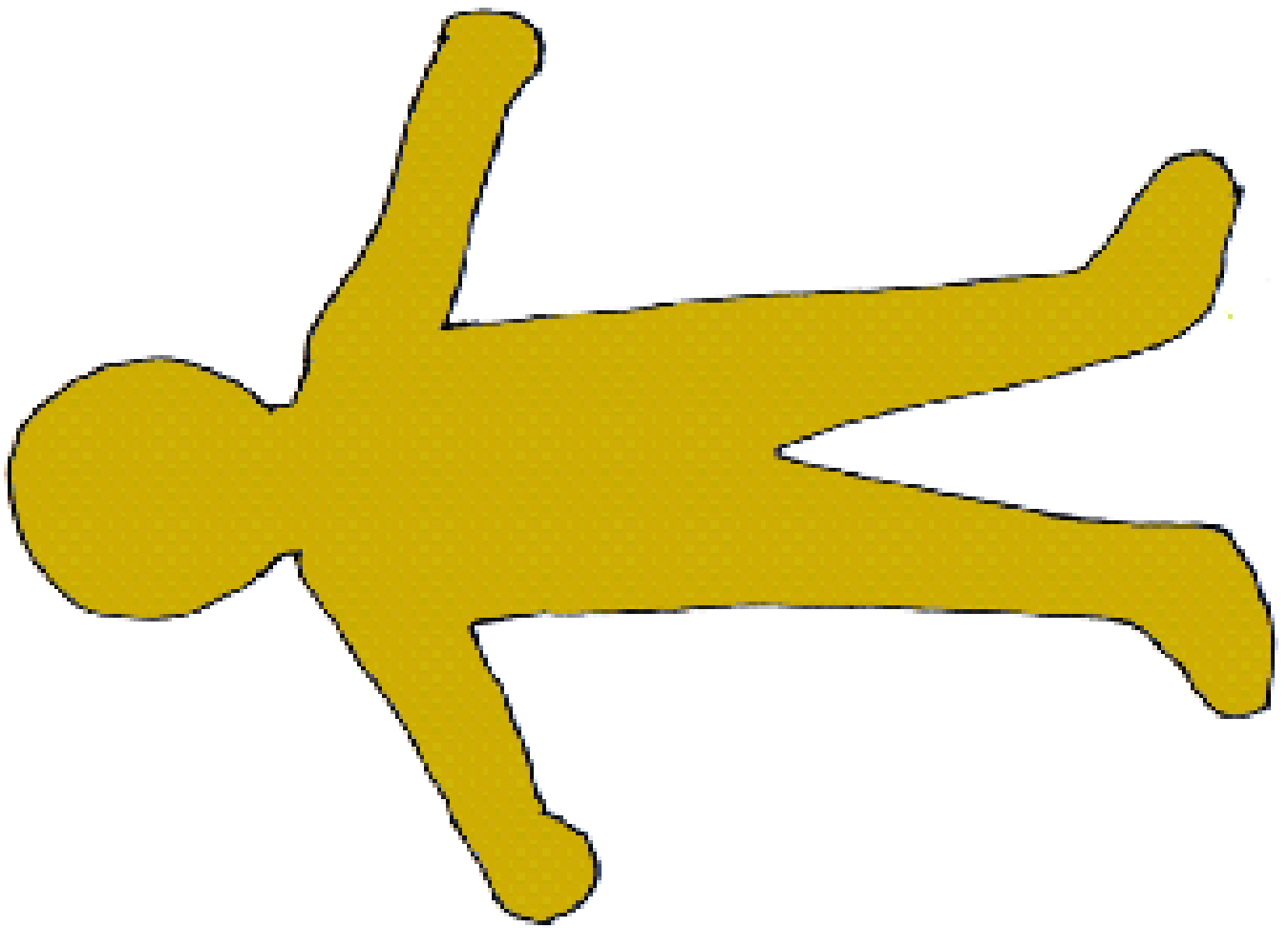
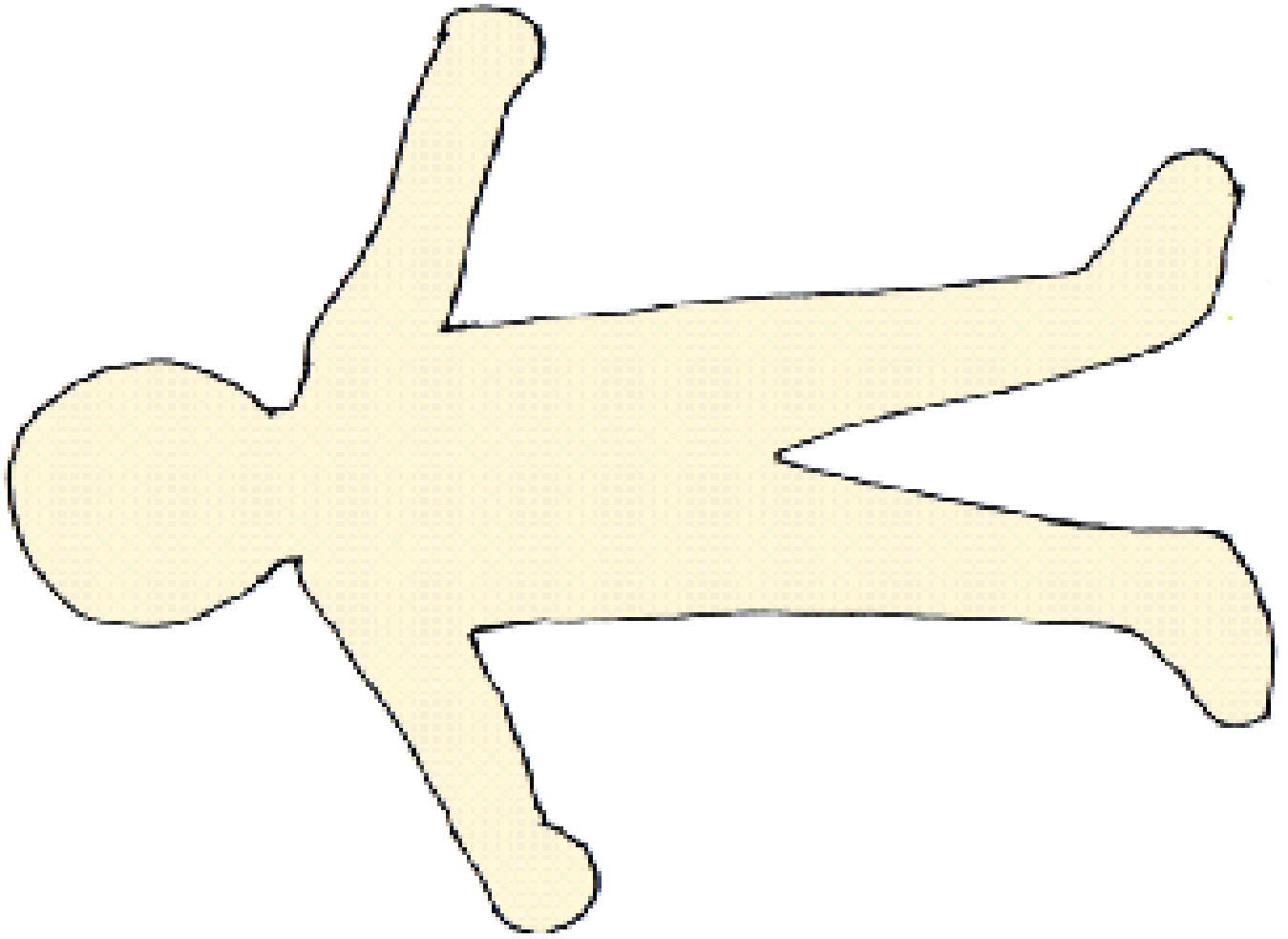
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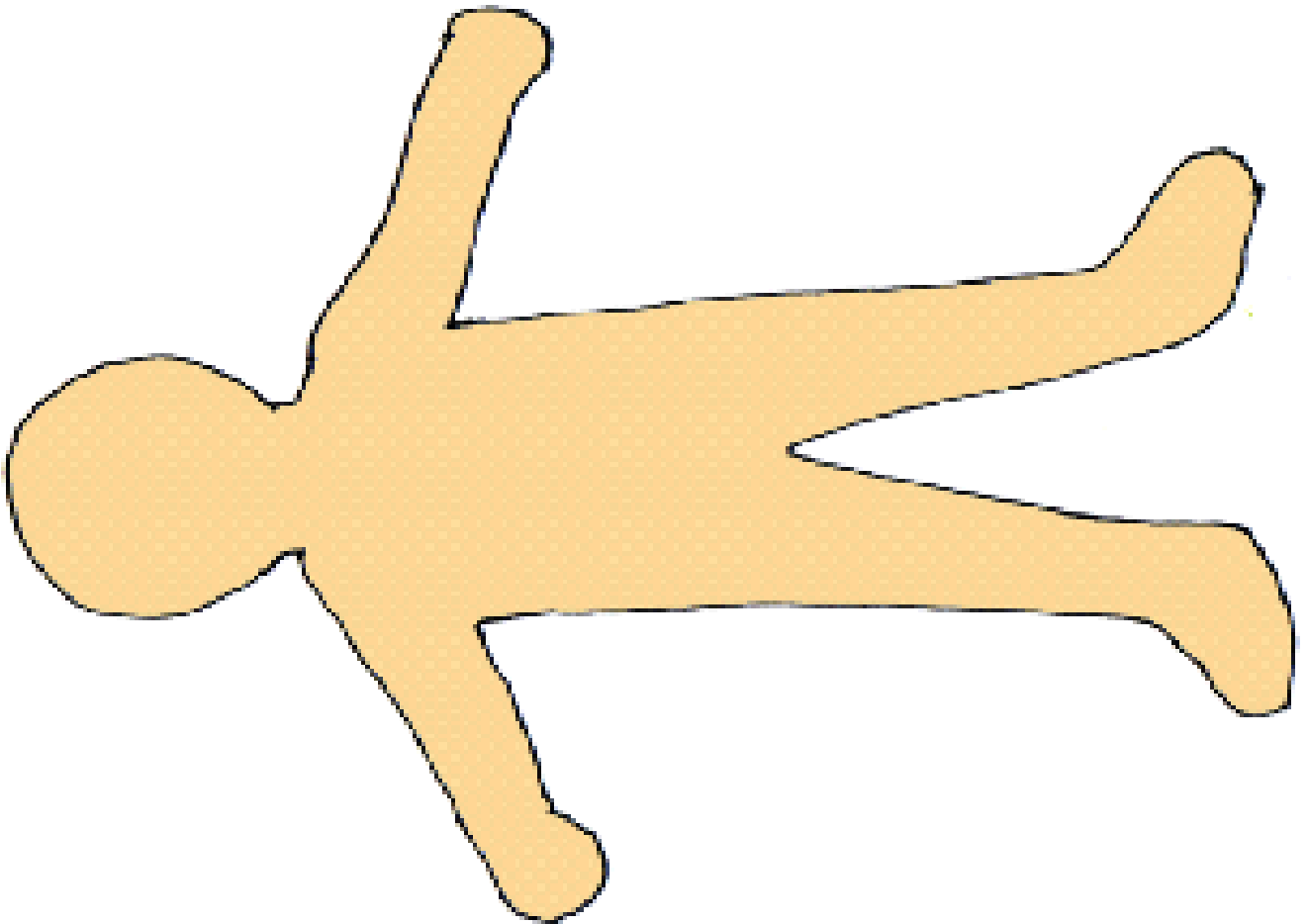
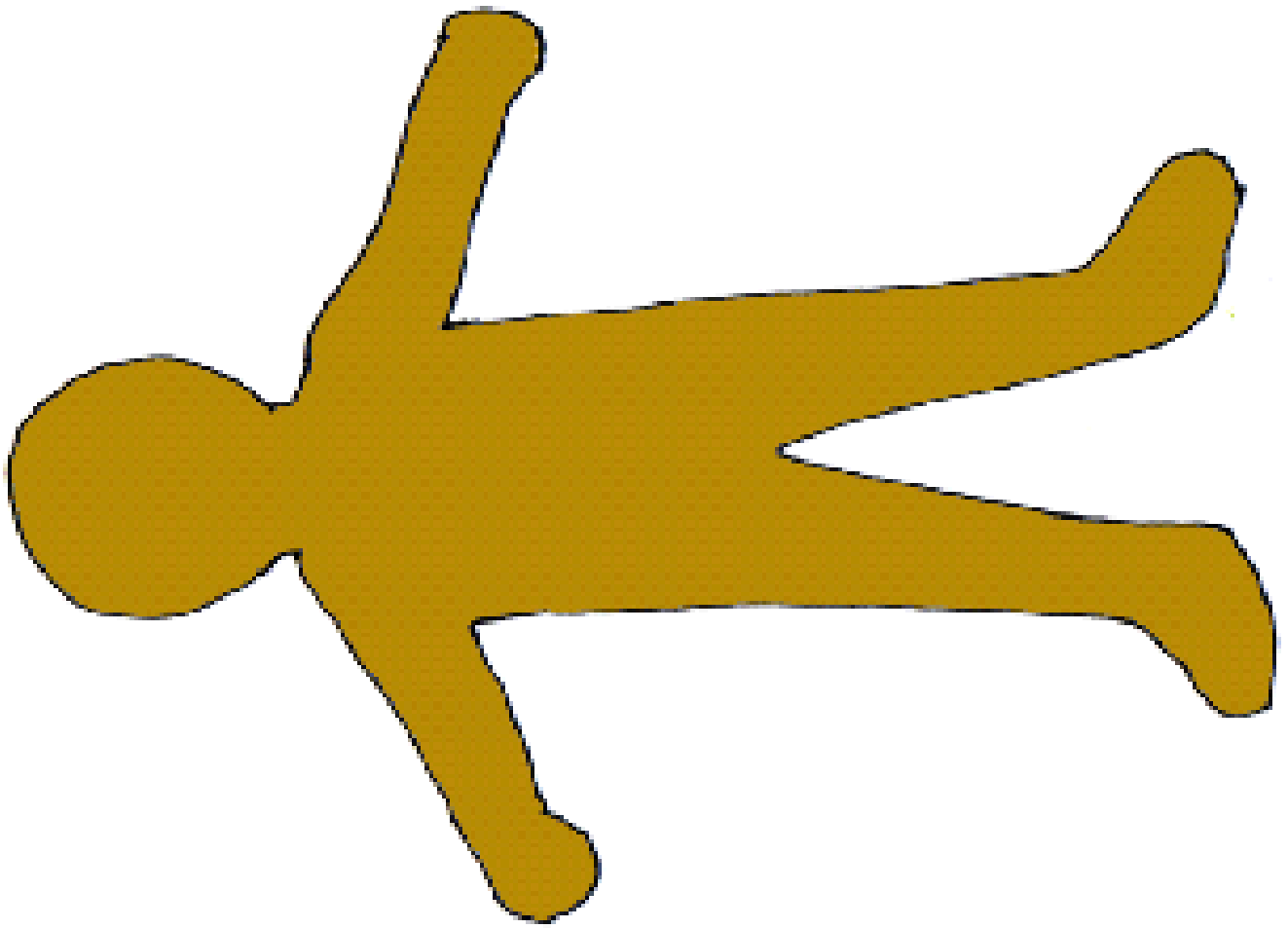
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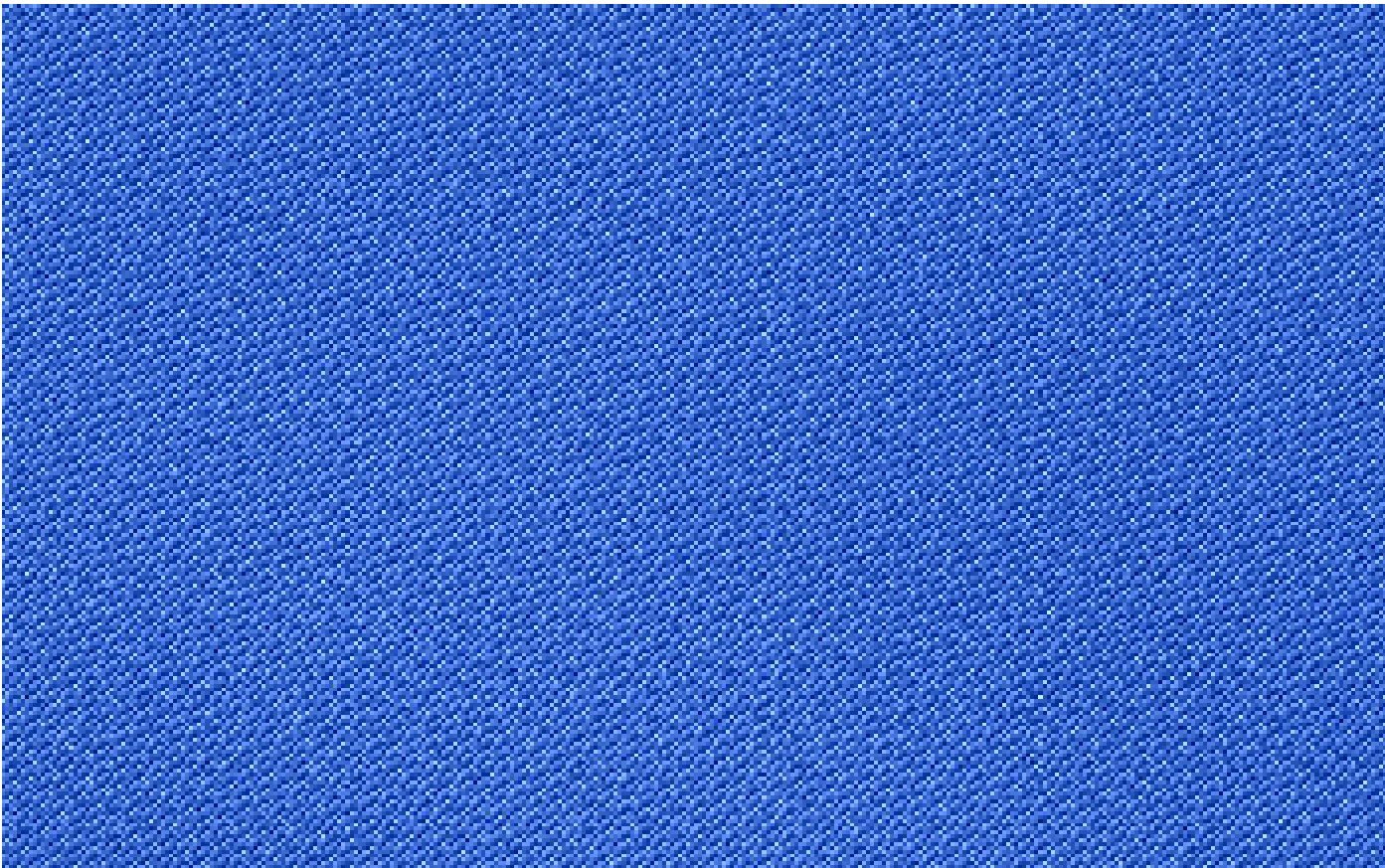
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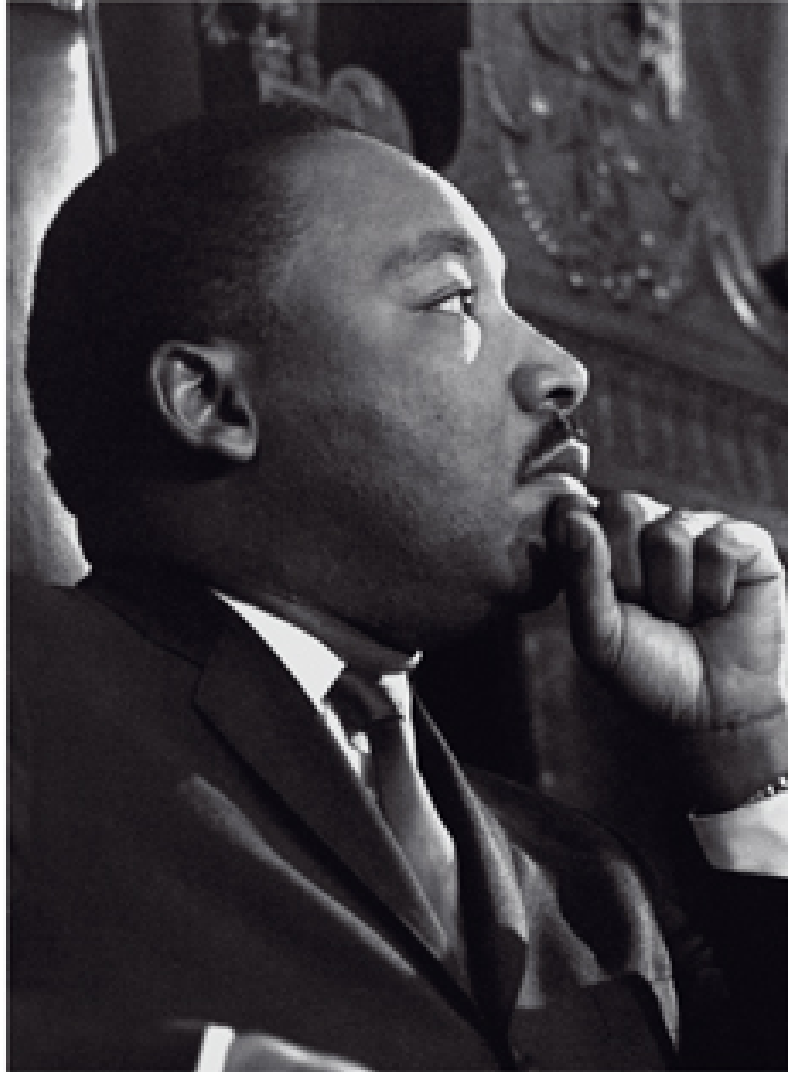




Here are some patterns for the children to use for the collage clothing.







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