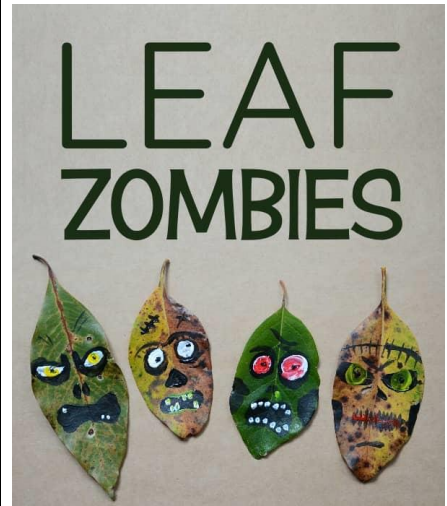


Title: Leaf Zombies

Grade Level: K-5

Objective: Students will learn about the difference between different kinds of plants based on their annual and seasonal cycles.



Lesson Plan

Materials: Leaves (lots of colorful leaves), Acrylic paint in trays, Paint brushes, cups of water, drawing paper (to place leaves while they dry).

Opening Activity: We can feel fall in the air, even here in South Florida. Let's talk about the seasons- https://youtu.be/DD_8Jm5pTLk?si=2BiQrpsujqasyjJ8

Core Activity:

- Leaf collection time- take the members on a nature walk, have each member grab ONLY 5 leaves to paint.
- Clean the leaves off gently with a wet paper towel, spread them out to dry.
- Distribute paint, alternately you can use sharpies for this activity.
- BLACK first- eyes, mouths, noses? Ears? Fill in the whole leaf as a zombie face
- Then add color- red, yellow, even white, as needed.
- Spread the painted leaves out to dry, and when dry, they can be assembled and glued as a zombie leaf army on a piece of chipboard or card stock.

Reflection: As members help clean up the space, ask them whether trees that lose all their leaves in winter qualify as zombie trees? Why or why not?