

## Thanksgiving Place Cards

### Overview

Create place cards to decorate a Thanksgiving or dinner table. Students think about how we are all blessings to each other in different ways and about being thankful for each other.

### Prepare to Teach

Gather project supplies. Cut and fold place cards.

### Materials Needed

- place cards (folded card stock, sturdy enough that they can stand up)
- colored pencils/markers
- pens

### Directions

1. The Lord creates each of us not just for the sake of ourselves but for the sake of other people. All of us have our own unique ways we can bring help and happiness to the people around us. If you think about it, you can find all sorts of things to be thankful for in the people around you. Let's take a minute to brainstorm some things that you might be thankful for about a family member or friend. Spend a few minutes to get ideas flowing.
2. We are going to create beautiful place cards for our family members and friends in order to decorate a family Thanksgiving table or an everyday dinner table. This is a way to let others know that we are thankful for them. On each blank place card, you are going to write the words "Why I am thankful for" near the top of the card and then you are going to fill in someone's name below in larger letters.
3. Leave room for decorating around the edges of the place card. Use this space to write or draw some things about that person for which you are thankful. If you are thankful that this person always smiles when they see you, write or draw that. If you are thankful that this person plays games with you, write or draw that., etc.
4. If you finish before the end of class, you can make place cards for other people to be put in the mail for them or given to them later.