

USING PROJECTS TO TEACH INDIANA HISTORY

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A Lesson Plan for Using Projects to Make History Fun

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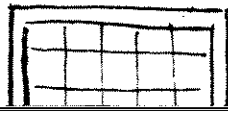
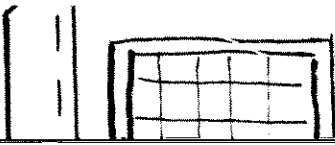
History class is divided into six units making a timeline

Each unit covers six weeks of the school year. The units are Indians in Indiana (this includes pre-historic as well as historic), Pioneers Statehood, Indiana and the Civil War, the Invention period and Indiana Today. With each unit I do a series of crafts designed to go along with that unit. I set aside one day a week as a project day. Usually Friday, is my project day. This gives projects two days to set before they have to be moved.

shapes. The writing is done in a circular fashion beginning at the middle and
poking your way out. Indian Dances is taught by water basket to some of the

up at various places. The tomahawks are made using roll ends of material used
in making cast for broken bones. The plaster craft is wetted and placed

around a form cut from a folder, which has been secured around a handle made



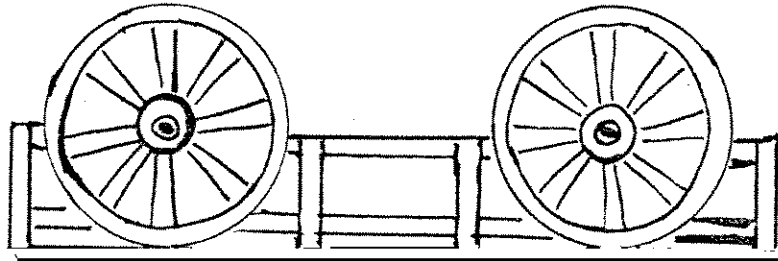
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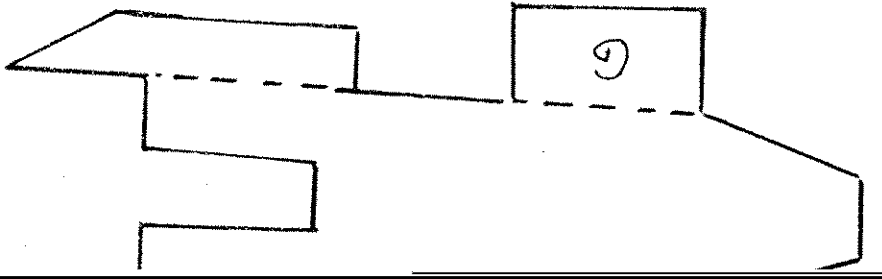
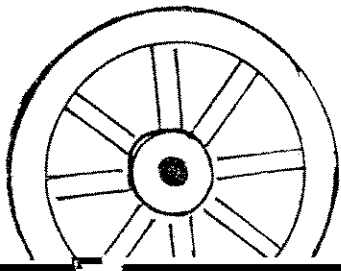
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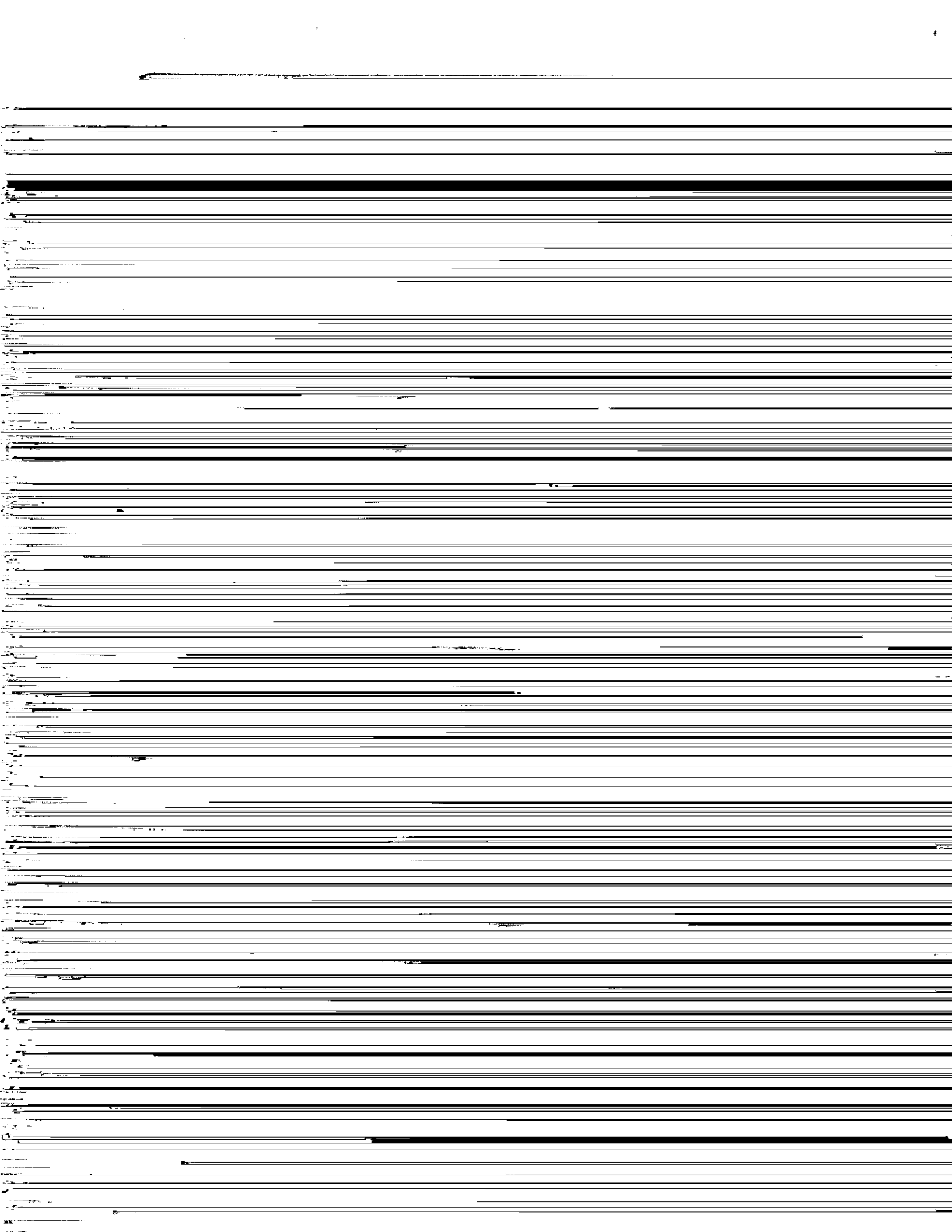
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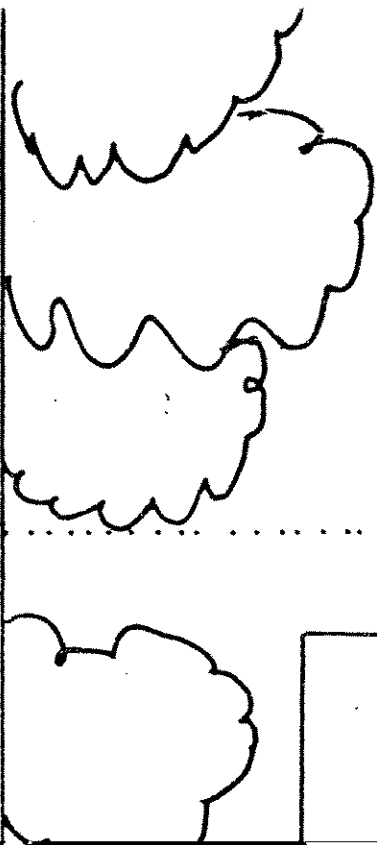




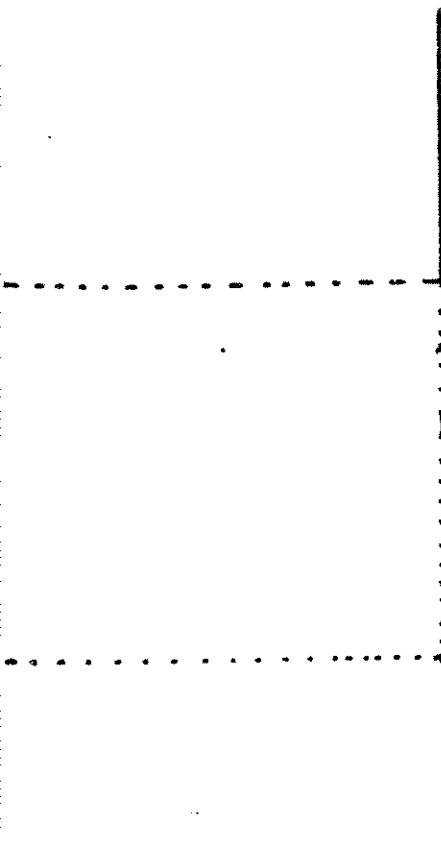
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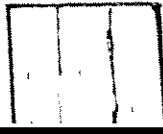
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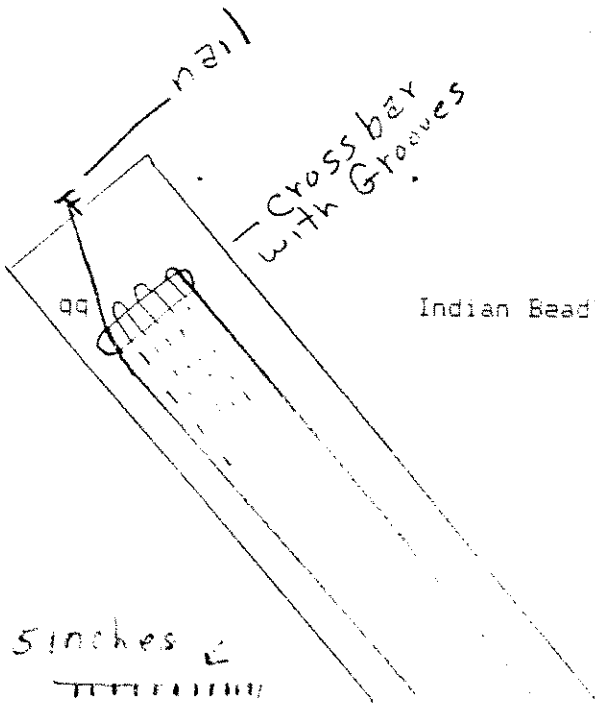




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Indian Beadloom

1. Tie string to nail at one end of board.
2. Thread string through grooves in small boards (back and forth), tie off on nail at other end. You need at least 10 spaces.
3. Place placer beads on strings (tie thread to loom string of left side of loom, pick up 10 beads, take needle under loomstrings and push beads on

