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RECOMMENDED GRADE LEVEL	6, 7, & 8
ACADEMICS	MATH, SOCIAL STUDIES, AND FINE ARTS
TEKS ADDRESSED	Math: measuring, multiplication Social Studies: citizenship, culture Fine Arts: color, design
DESCRIPTION	Making paper beads in the style of the people of Chad and Niger in Africa
TIME REQUIRED	45 minutes per day, 1 day per week, total of 5 lessons for one 5-week session (easily adapted to more days/weeks by adding beading days)
MATERIALS	Magazines with colorful, slick pages; rulers, pencils, scissors, glue, toothpicks Heavy quilting thread and embroidery needles Pop-up wipes for easy clean-up of hands and desk tops
APPROXIMATE COST	\$1.00 or less per student, depending on beads selected. To bring cost down, make more paper beads and use less or no craft beads.
TEACHER TIPS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. High energy and enthusiasm transfer to students.2. Planning and organization are key components for success.3. Be willing to jump in and help make beads yourself.4. Good classroom management skills are a must.5. Good activity to be completed near a holiday (beads are a nice handmade gift).
ADAPTATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Pair students with complementing abilities and skills (high with low, regular with special).2. Be ready to help with one-on-one modeling and instructions.3. Use simple instructions with brief, step-by-step diagrams and notes on the board.4. Model all skills and review before entering project.5. Working as a group, make and sort beads by color, assigning jobs according to skills.
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