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### PROJECT LINUS AND OTHER COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS



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| RECOMMENDED GRADE LEVEL | 7 & 8  |
| ACADEMICS               | MATH   |
| TEKS ADDRESSED          | Math 7.9, Math 7.13  |
| DESCRIPTION             | Students make fleece blankets for Project Linus and construct an angel from a dishcloth.   |
| TIME REQUIRED           | One 30-minute session 3 times per week<br><br>Day 1: Introduce Project Linus. Students research the Web site for Project Linus ( <a href="http://www.projectlinus.org">www.projectlinus.org</a> ) online. Students write a short summary of what they found out about Project Linus.<br><br>Day 2: Students look at various types of blankets on display and are given printed instructions on making a fleece blanket. Students choose their fabric and prepare the fabric for cutting.<br><br>Day 3: Students cut the four squares from the corners and cut the edges to prepare for tying the blanket.<br><br>Day 4: Students tie the blankets.<br><br>Day 5: Students write an instructional paragraph detailing how they made their fleece blankets. A Project Linus representative is to visit, and blankets will be presented at that time. |
| MATERIALS               | Fabric, dishcloths, ribbons, rubber bands  |
| APPROXIMATE COST        | \$0  |
| TEACHER TIPS            | 1. Contact Project Linus representatives.<br>2. Recruit donations from community resources.<br>3. Recruit blanket makers and quilters to demonstrate various methods of construction.  |
| ADAPTATIONS             | 1. For younger ages, the fleece may be pre-cut.<br>2. For ELL learners, recruit bilingual or native-speaking parents to demonstrate.<br>3. For ELL learners, have vocabulary in Spanish or other native languages.   |
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