# Pinwheels for Peace FIG AT HOME

Imagine... whirled peace! Help us celebrate International Day of Peace by planting a pinwheel. It all starts with one child and one square.

## **MATERIALS**

- Scissors
- Straight pin
- Square piece of paper
- · Pencil with an eraser
- Colored pencils or markers



## INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Start with a square piece of paper.
- 2. Decorate the square with drawings and symbols to represent your feelings of peace and harmony.
- 3. Cut along the lines from all four corners., leaving about 2 inches of the center uncut.
- 4. Gently bend (don't fold) one of the cut corners to the center point.
- 5. Skip the next cut corner, and bend the next one.
- 6. Skip and bend until all four points meet in the center.
- 7. Stick the straight pin through all four points and the back of the pinwheel.
- 8. Stick the pin into the pencil eraser.
- 9. Find some wind and test it out!
- 10. Store your pinwheel in a safe place until September 21 (which is International Day of Peace) then "plant" it in the ground to send a message of world peace!

## PINWHEELS FOR PEACE PROJECT

"A pinwheel is a childhood symbol – it reminds us of a time when things were simple, joyful, peaceful. To each of us, peace can take on a different meaning, but, in the end, it all comes down to a simple definition: a state of calm and serenity, with no anxiety, the absence of violence, freedom from conflict or disagreement among people or groups of people." www.pinwheelsforpeace.com



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#### **PINWHEEL TEMPLATE**



