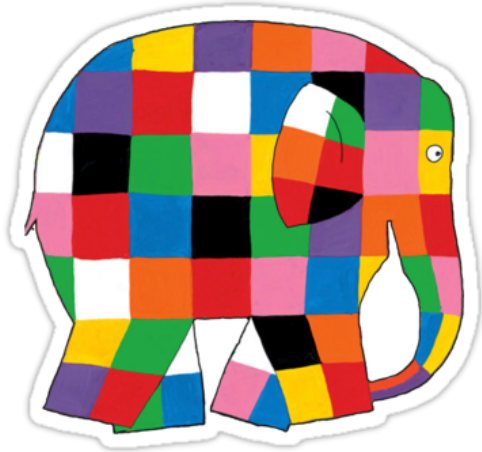


October Family Project

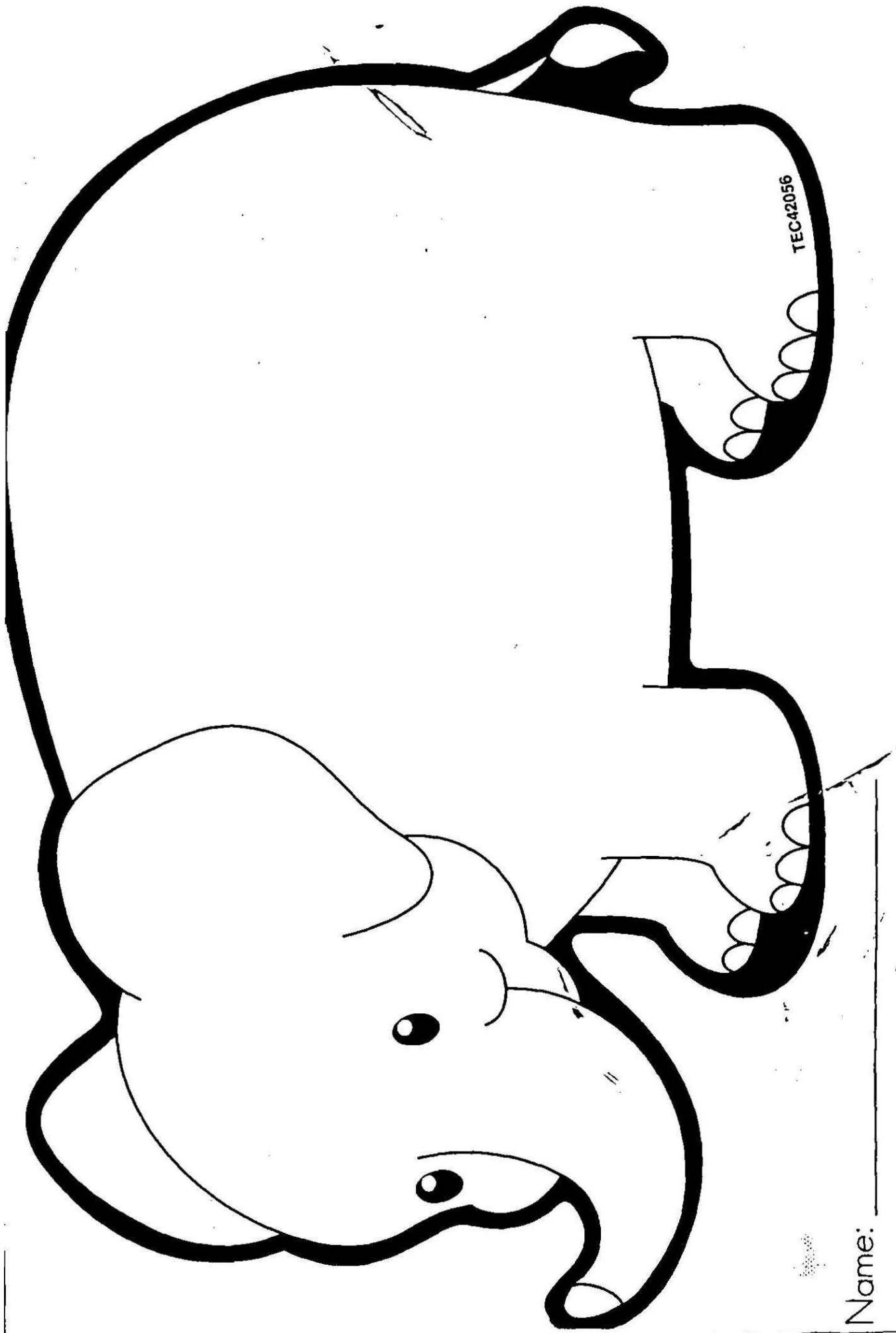


The project for the month of October is to create your own Elmer the Elephant. In class we read the book Elmer by David McKee. It is a book about an elephant, who feels sad because he is different. In the end he realizes that what makes him different also makes him special.

I have provided a copy of the book Elmer that you can read together. Then as a family, please color and decorate your own Elmer. Your child could make Elmer a patchwork of colors like in the book or they could make him a car elephant decorating him with car stickers and pictures. You can be creative and do this in many ways. Some other ideas include: a glittery elephant, a pattern elephant, a polka dot elephant, a fuzzy elephant, or a striped elephant, use your imagination! Below your Elmer creation please have your child write how it is special by filling in the blank space and completing the sentence!

Please return the finished project before the end of the month. Please write everyone's name on the back that worked on the project for all attached sheets.

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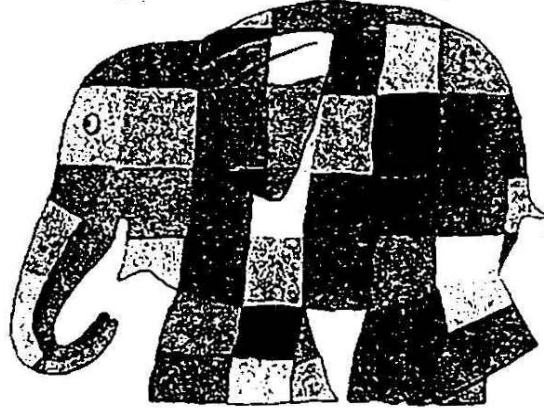
Elmer the _____

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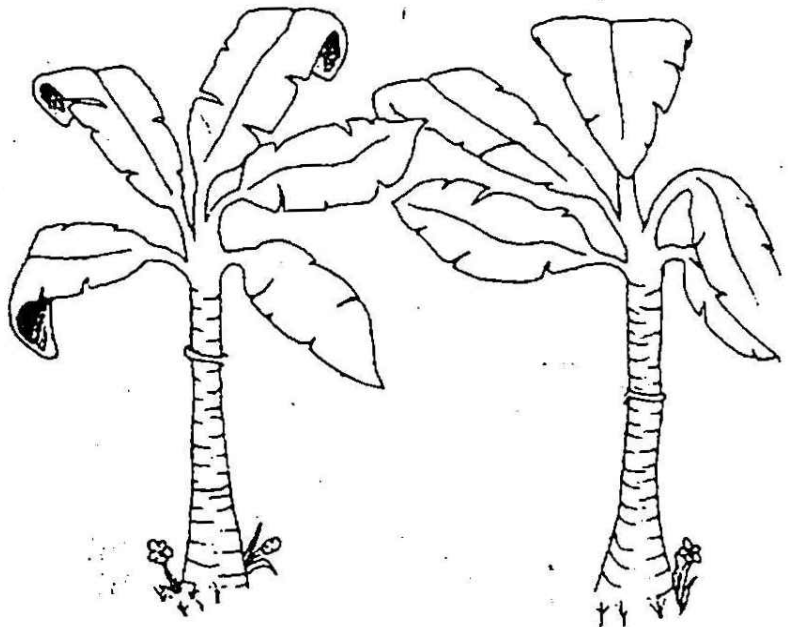
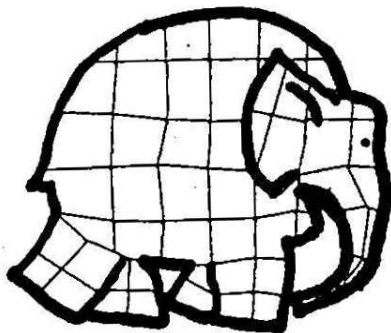
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Elmer by David McKee

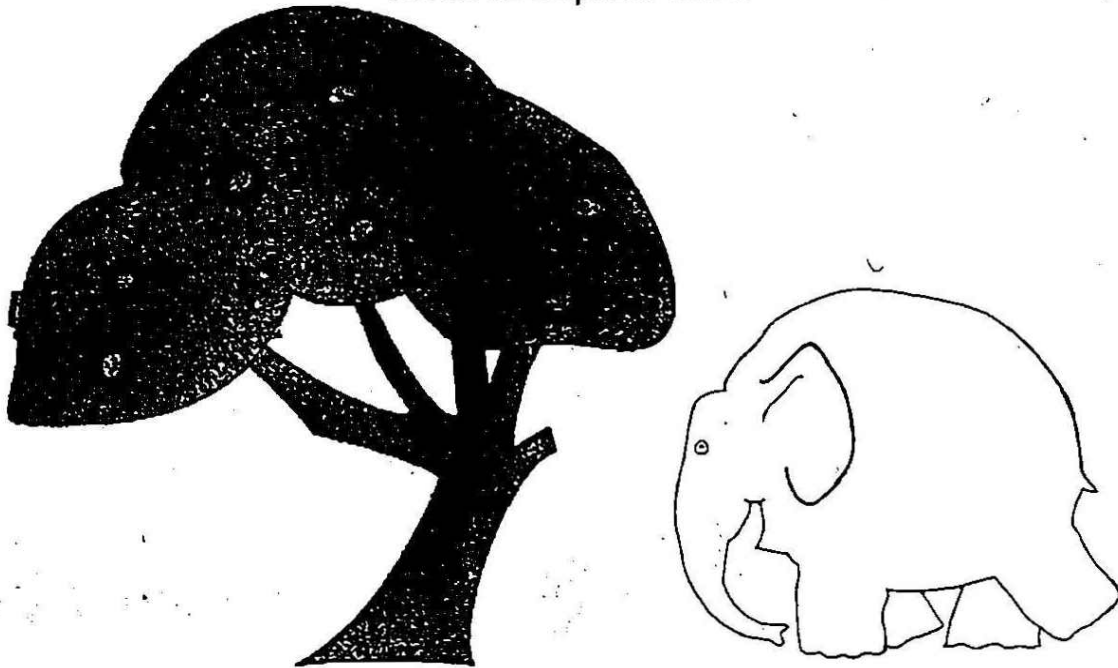
Elmer is a patchwork elephant.
All the elephants love him.
Elmer is funny. He makes all the elephants laugh.



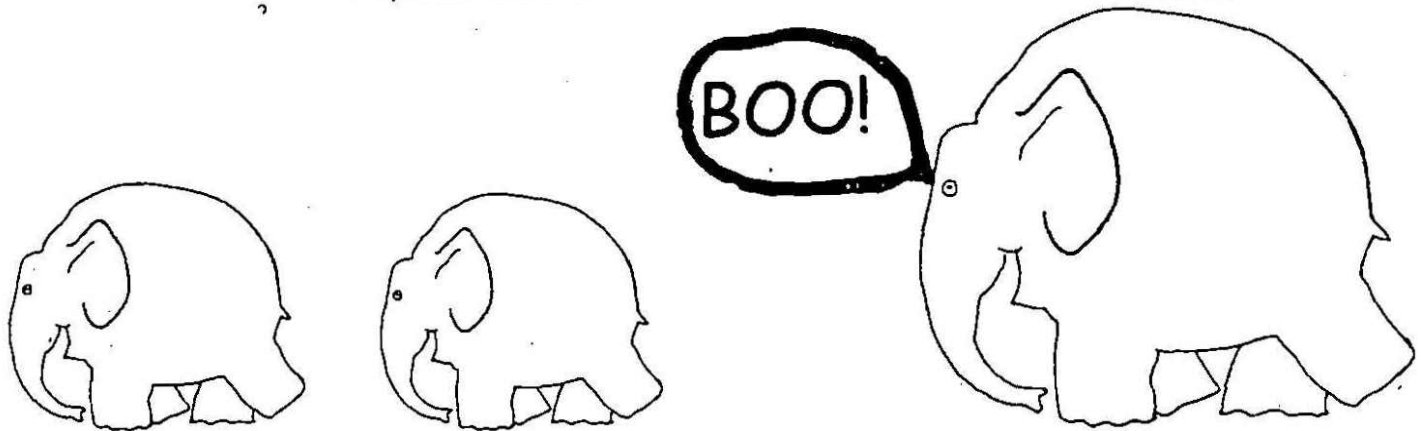
Elmer is sad because he is not the
same color as the other elephants.
One day he decides to leave
and go into the jungle.



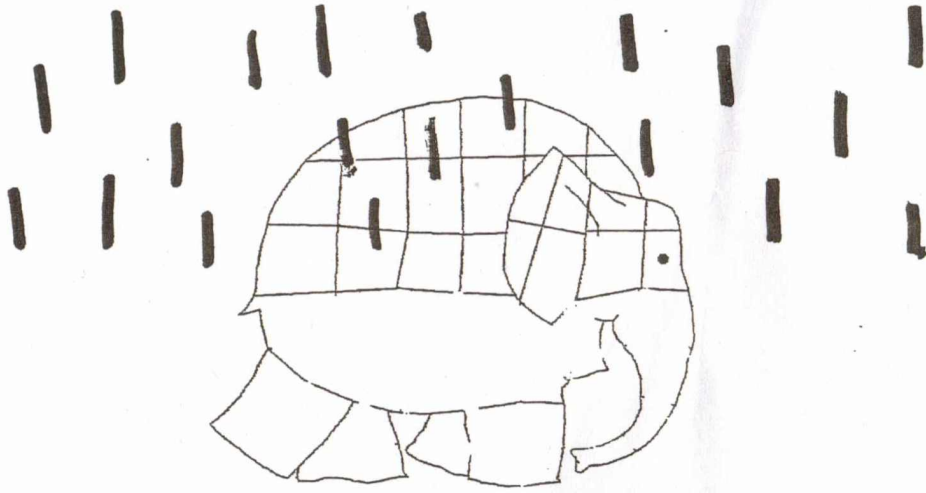
Elmer finds a gray berry bush.
He shakes it.
Then he rolls in the berries on the ground.
He turns elephant color.



He walks back to see the elephants.
No one recognizes him. They say "Hi elephant."
All the elephants look so sad.
Elmer thinks it is funny and says "Boo!"
All the elephants start laughing.
The elephants missed Elmer and said "We wish Elmer was here".

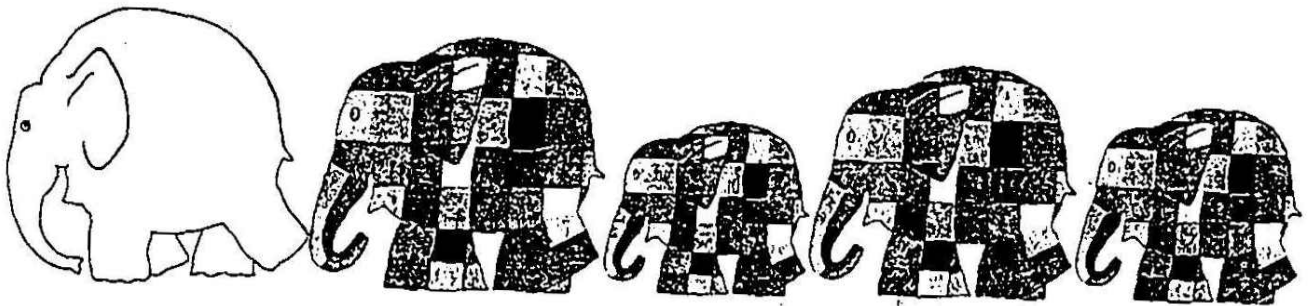


It started to rain.
The gray berries started to wash off of Elmer.
The elephants couldn't believe it.
The elephants told Elmer that it was
the best joke he had ever played on them.



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From then on the elephants had a parade once a year.
They called it the Elmer Day Parade.
All the elephants dress up in colors to look like Elmer
and Elmer rolls in gray berries to look elephant color.



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