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## *Introduction*

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Kindie-Calendar is designed for young children to grasp the concept of the months of the year and the days of the week and to ultimately take part in daily journal entries for developing creative thought and for planning.

- ☆ A lively handwritten rebus chant introduces the month.
- ☆ The monthly format gives a visual plan of the events that are to take place in the classroom or school for that month. The squares are large enough for the children to add their own entries.
- ☆ The journal pages have lines for written entries and a space to draw.

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## *How to Assemble*

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### **For Bulletin Board**

Enlarge the monthly calendar page to 11x17" with a photocopier to display in the classroom.

### **For Students**

Prepare the following materials to photocopy for each student in the class. See the sample monthly on page 4.

#### **1. Calendar templates for the 12 months of the year.**

*Simply write in the numerals in the upper right hand corner of each square. Add the year on the band where the month's name appears.*

#### **2. Add clip art for special occasions, classroom or school events, and holidays.**

*Cut out clip art to paste in the appropriate calendar squares. The clip art allows you to add events relevant to your classroom.*

Photocopy each student a booklet. Staple together or store in a duotang. Each month should consist of:

1. The rebus chant page for each month of the year.  
*The chant page introduces the month and allows space for the child to draw. The drawings can be used a developmental record of the child throughout the year. Two are given for the month of December. Choose the most suitable for your classroom.*
2. The monthly calendar.
3. As many journal pages as you wish.

You may want hand out the kindie-calendar by the month or you may wish to group the months into seasons.

Write the child's name on the front of the duotang; For example:  
*Kathy's Calendar*

### For the Family

Photocopy your prepared monthly calendar page to send home at the beginning of each month.

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### *How to Use in the Classroom*

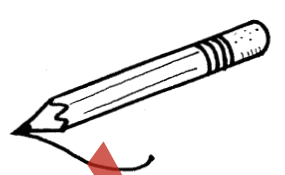
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Encourage students to make a weather entry using the symbols on your weather chart. For example, if it is a sunny day, draw a ☀.

Store the calendars at a writing centre for daily or bi-weekly journal entries.

At the beginning of each month, read the chant with the class. Ask students to illustrate something about that month of the year or something they would like to do that month.

# Journal Page



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## January

I like January.

I like ❄️ ❄️ ❄️

I put on my 🧤

And outside I go.

March	Saturday					
	Friday					
	Thursday					
	Wednesday					
	Tuesday					
	Monday					
Sunday						

**How to Assemble Twelve Hats for Tina Big Book**

There are two ways to assemble your Big Book.

**1. Rectangular Shape**

You will need 2 sheets of colourful 2-ply bristol sheets measuring approx. 23x28 " (56x71 cm).

Cut each sheet into 4 equal pieces giving you 8 pages including the cover. Colour the illustrations.

Set up as shown:

1. Glue on the cover.

2. Glue in the title page on the inside cover. Glue in page one.

3. Glue in the illustration and text for pages two and three.....

4. And so on.



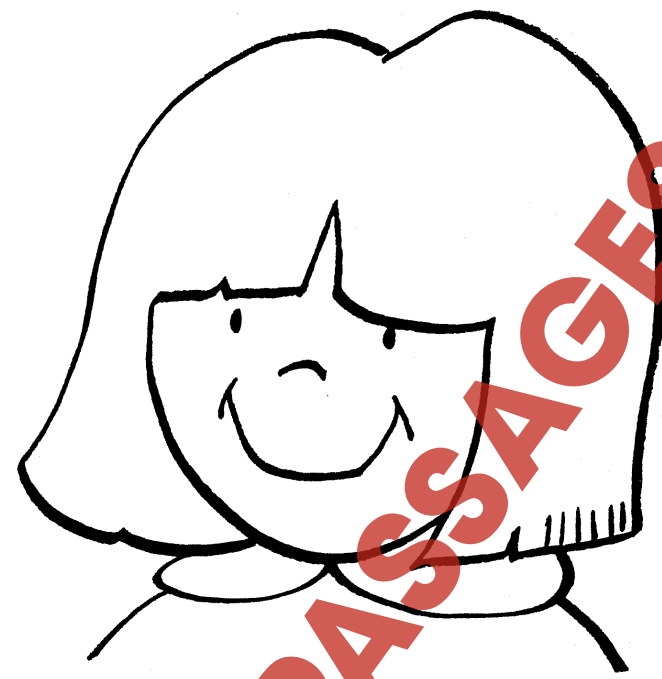
**2. Hat Shape Big Book**

If you are really ambitious, make a hat shape book, you will need to enlarge the hat shape of the cover page, to approx. 1/2 a bristol sheet size.

Use the first one for a pattern to cut out 14 hat shapes from colourful 2-ply bristol.

If possible, co-ordinate the colours of your bristol with the colour mentioned on some of the pages (use red bristol for February, green for March, blue for May, and orange for Halloween.)

Colour the illustrations.



Tina has 12 hats. She has a hat for each month of the year!



*Dana Banana Word Search*



Can you find the names of the different fruits in the puzzle? Circle the words as you find them.



strawberry, kiwi, raspberry, apple, lemon, grapes, banana, peach, pear, apricot, blueberries

d z u x k v a a g n o  
 u a p r i c o t e v a  
 s t r a w b e r r y i  
 g o d p i k s u k o y  
 r a s p b e r r y p v  
 a e i l x p e a r e c  
 p o l e m o n b d a r  
 e b a n a n a s i c c  
 s o i v k d s b r h d  
 b l u e b e r r i e s

My name is \_\_\_\_\_