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It's Calendar Time!

Take your calendar time to a whole new level with this calendar kit! This kit was designed with Kindergarten students in mind, but with the programmable pages at the end of the packet, you could easily adapt it for first grade as well.

If you have never done an interactive calendar before, just breathe, I will walk you through it! The most important thing to remember is that you need to take it s-1-o-w in the beginning. (Just like everything we do in Kindergarten, right?)

There are a couple of ways you can organize your calendar books.

- Use a three ring binder. I like the ½" binders that you can find at Sam's Club. I also add a zipper pocket to store a pencil and a few crayons. You will need to add the month cover page, the calendar and weather tracker and daily pages for the number of days that you have school that month.
- 2. You can also assemble the pack like a booklet. Copy the cover and a blank end page on colored cardstock, add the number of pages that you will need for that month, double staple at the top, and add a strip of clear tape over the staples (over the front, top, and back to make a binding)

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Each packet should have the monthly blank calendar, the weather tracker, and the journal page for the number of days you are in school for that month. There is a new skill (or 2) added each month. You will find that your students are excited for this, and will look for it! If you feel like you are not ready to move onto the next level, simply use the programmable pages at the end and re-do that month.

You can start with the calendar books on the first day of school, or you can wait a few weeks until routines have been established. I like to wait a couple of weeks, and do the calendar parts as a whole group until they have the hang of it. This way, they will have a basic idea of what to do instead of something that is brand new (when everything else is so new!)

The most important thing to remember is to BE PATIENT. Be patient with the kiddos and with yourself! Calendar will take a bit longer in the beginning, but once they have the hang of it, it will go SOO smoothly! The children stay engaged because they are all participating! It helps to go in the same order each day, so the children know what to expect as well. If you ever have any questions, don't hesitate to ask. Remember to adapt to meet the needs of your students and your teaching style. What works well for me, might not work well for you! Calendar Time - Breaking It Down

Calendar Page: If you are starting in the middle of the month, you may want to write in the days the children were not in school before you copy. You will want to also trace the numbers at the bottom. This will help them know where to start and will match your larger class calendar. Later in the year, coin skills are added. You will need a bag or box with some coins in it when you get to that point.

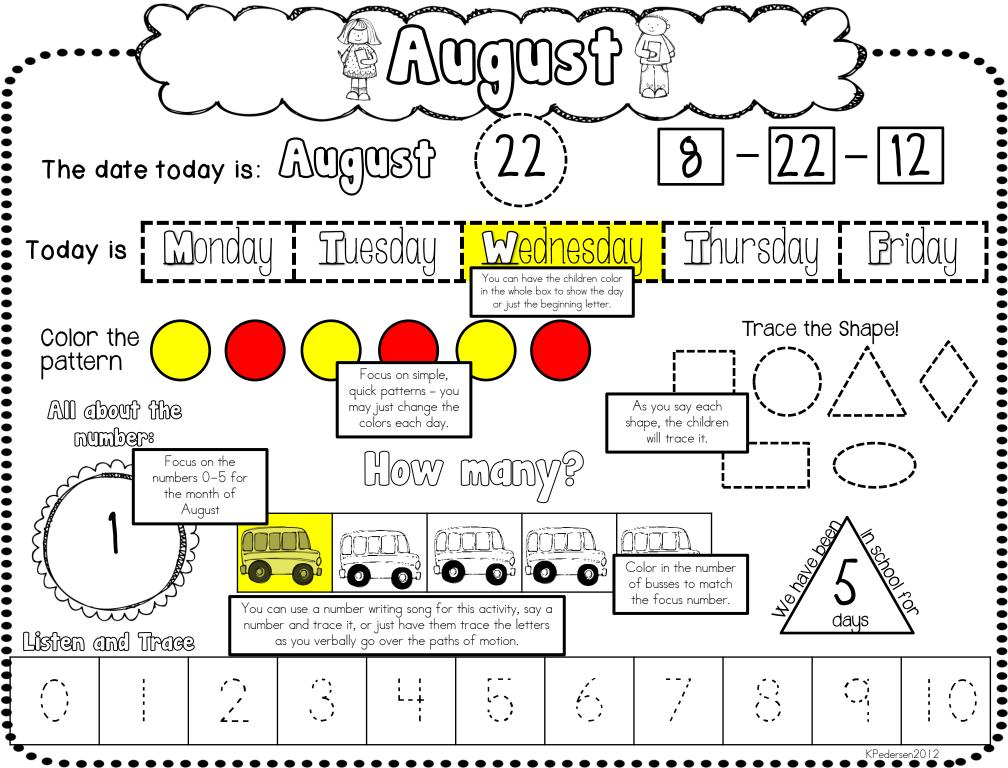
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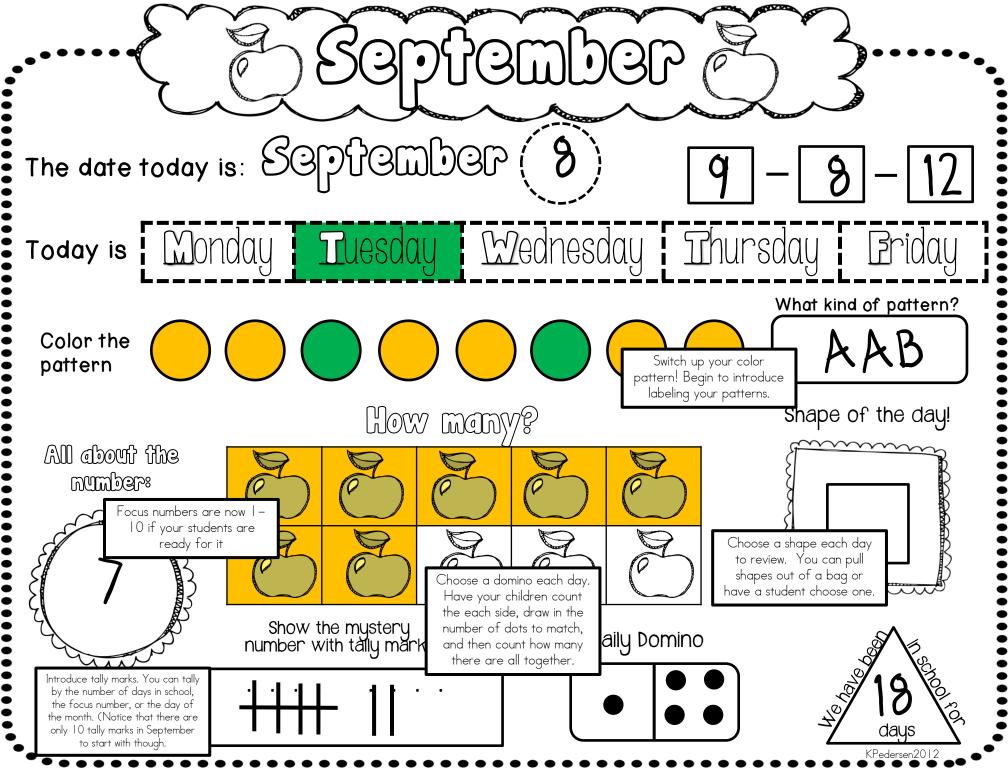
Weather Tracker : This page changes as the year goes on. In the beginning, they will simply draw the weather symbol and write the total at the end of the month. Later, they will draw the symbol and write the temperature and fill in the corresponding graph.

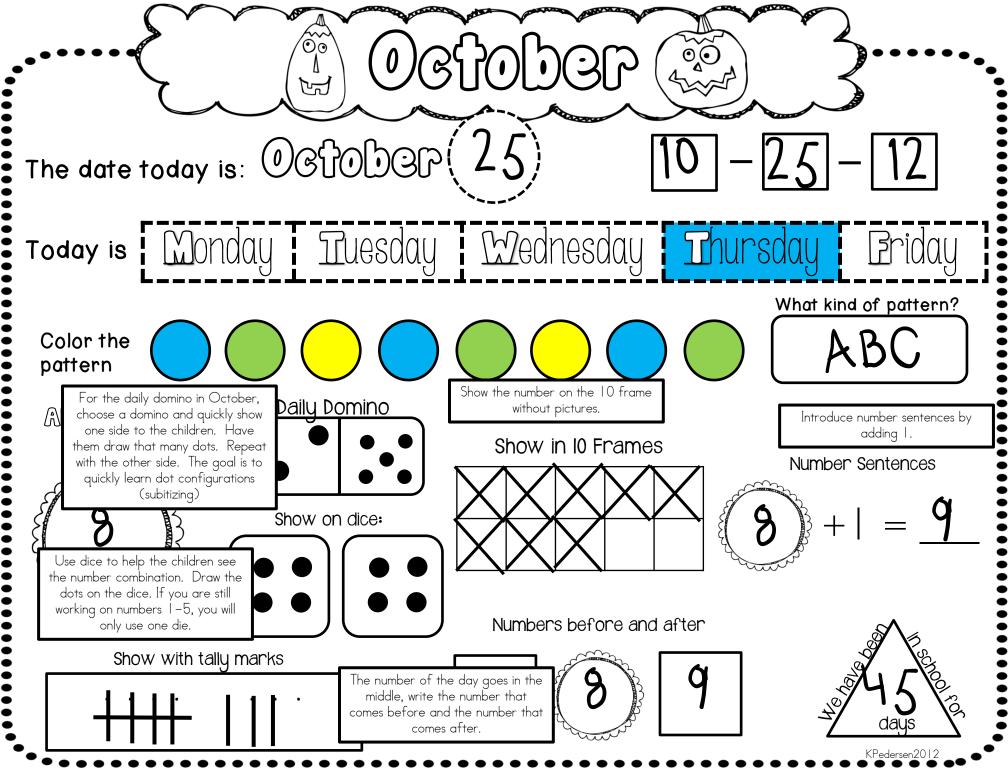
Calendar Journal page: In the beginning, you may want to enlarge this page and laminate it so that you can do it right along with the children. You can also use an interactive white board or document camera to project this page. One thing to keep in mind – you do NOT have to do every skill every day! If you find you are running short on time, go ahead and skip some parts! It will be okay ©.

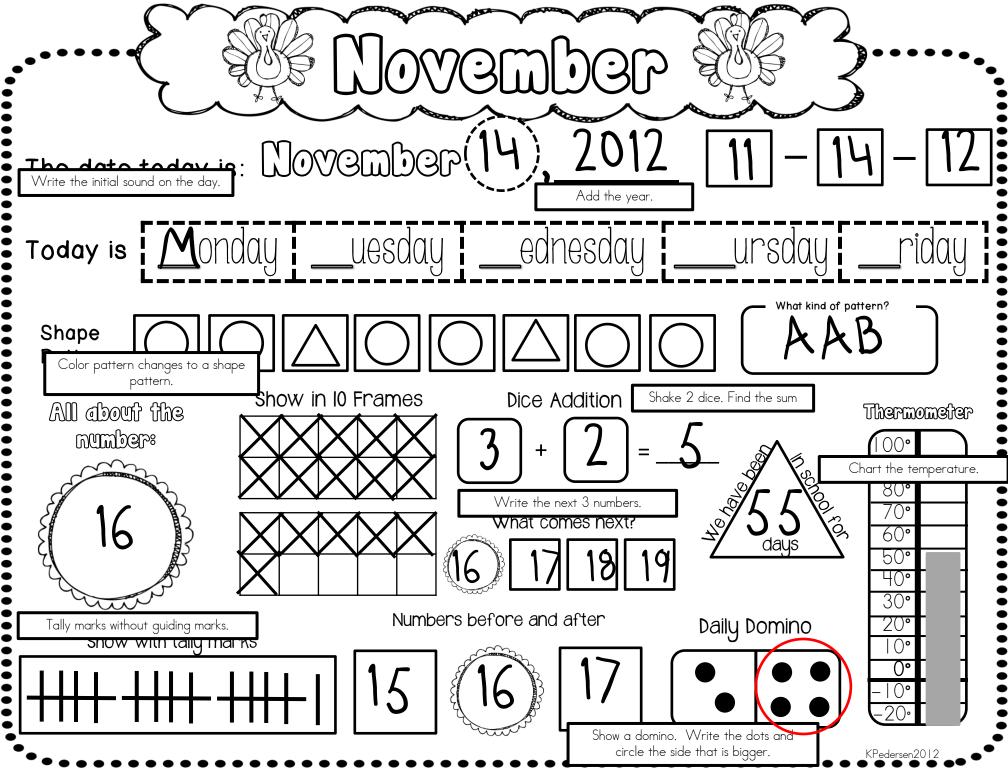
Also, if you have other calendar skills that you like to do such as a growing number line, or place value with straws or sticks, you can still do those – they are just not included on the daily calendar pages.

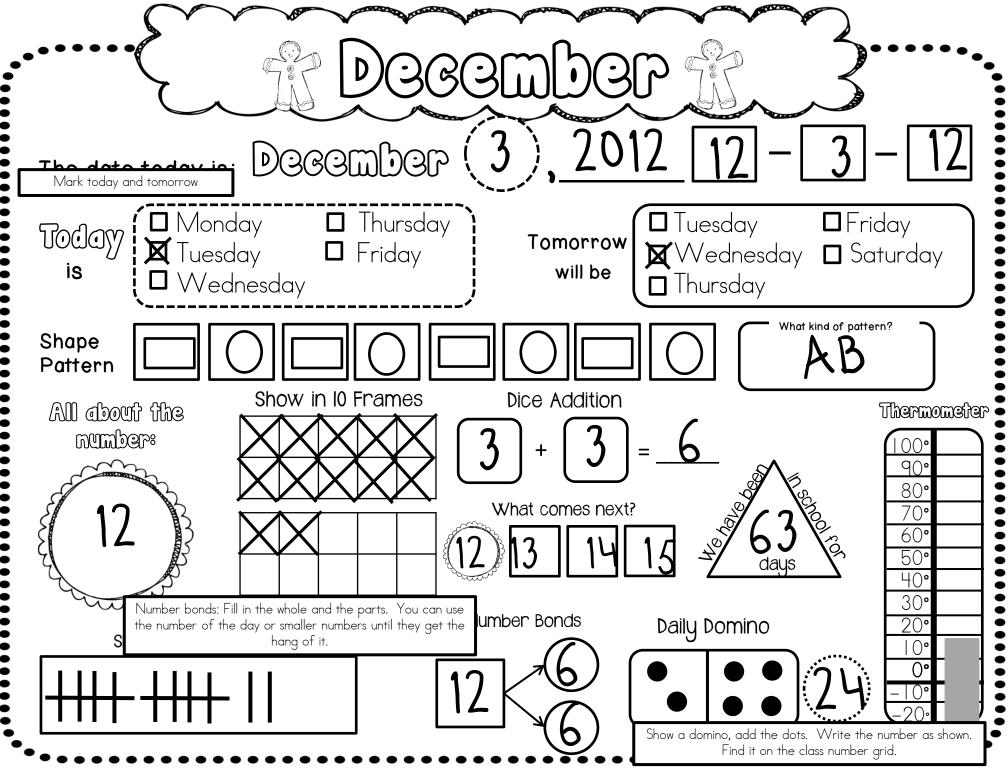
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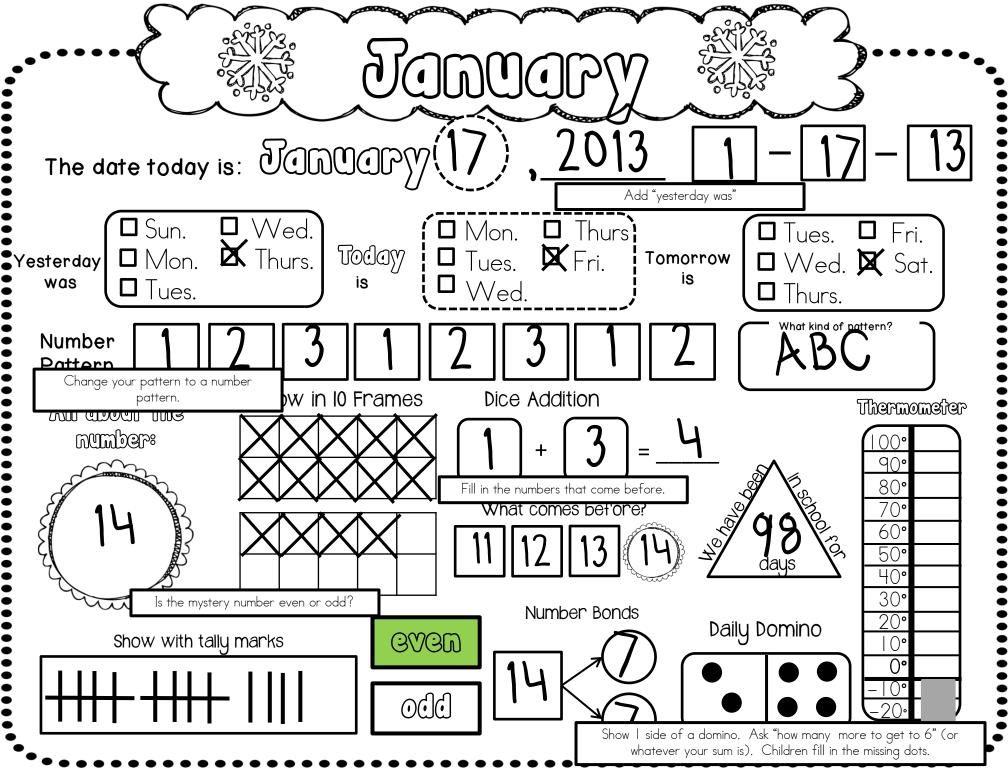


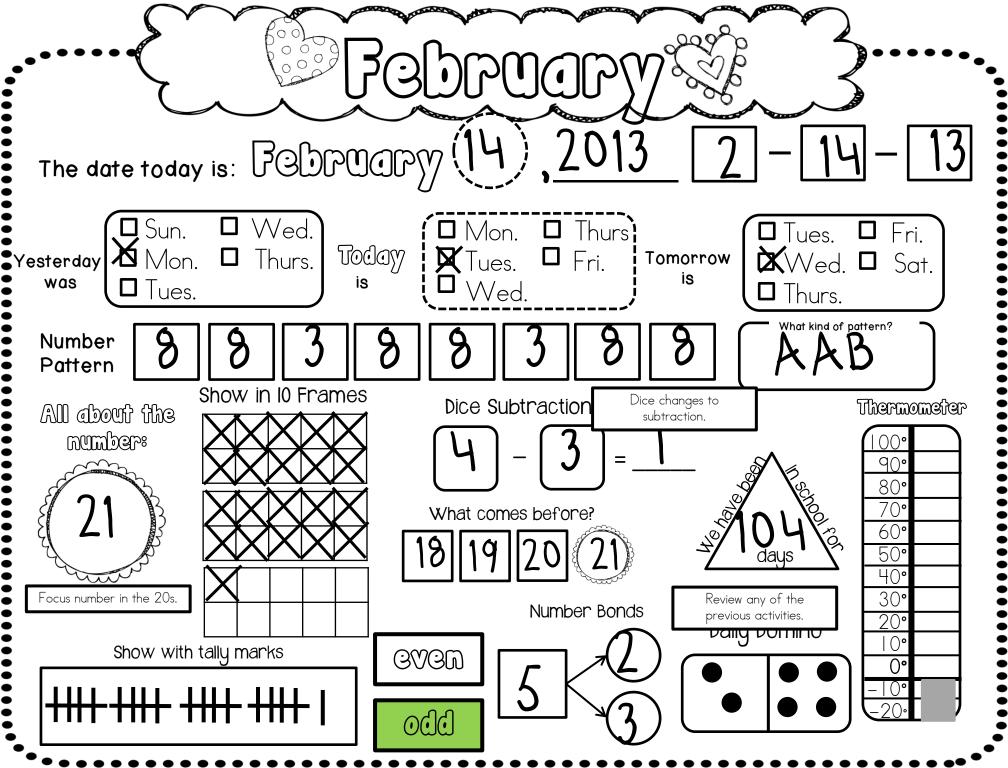


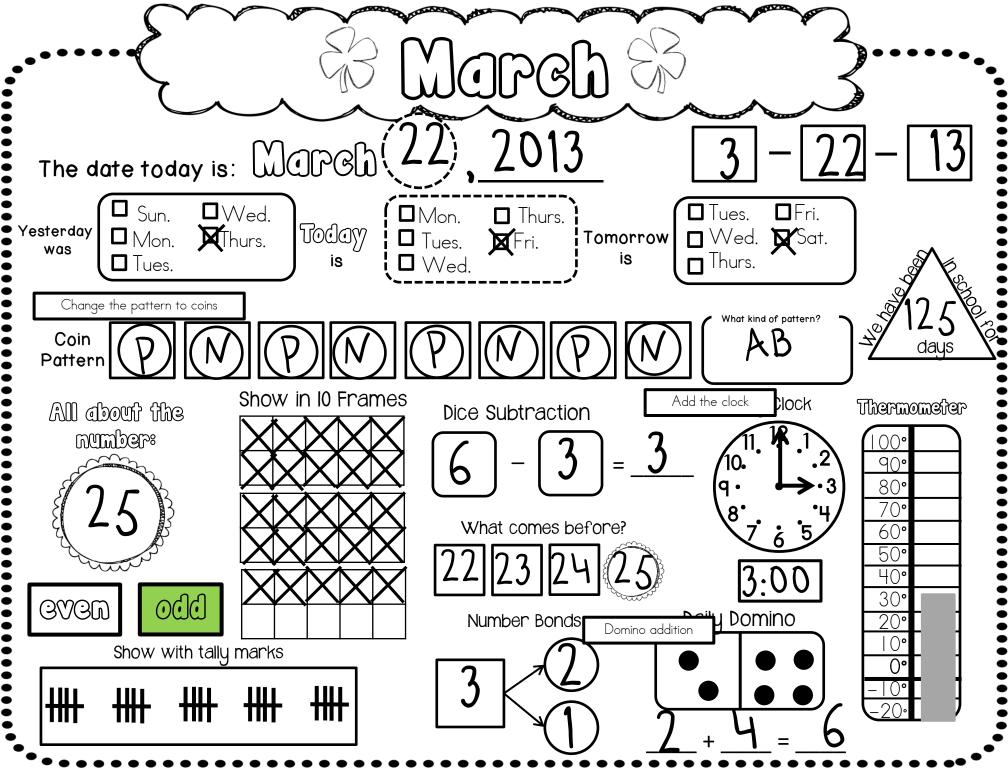


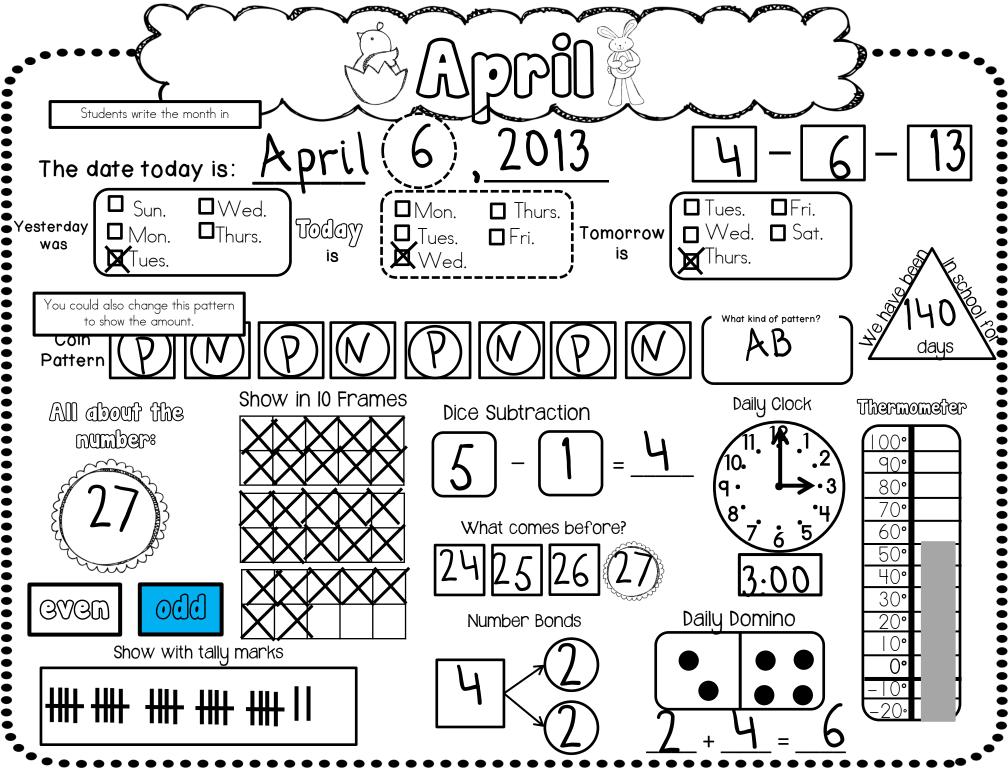


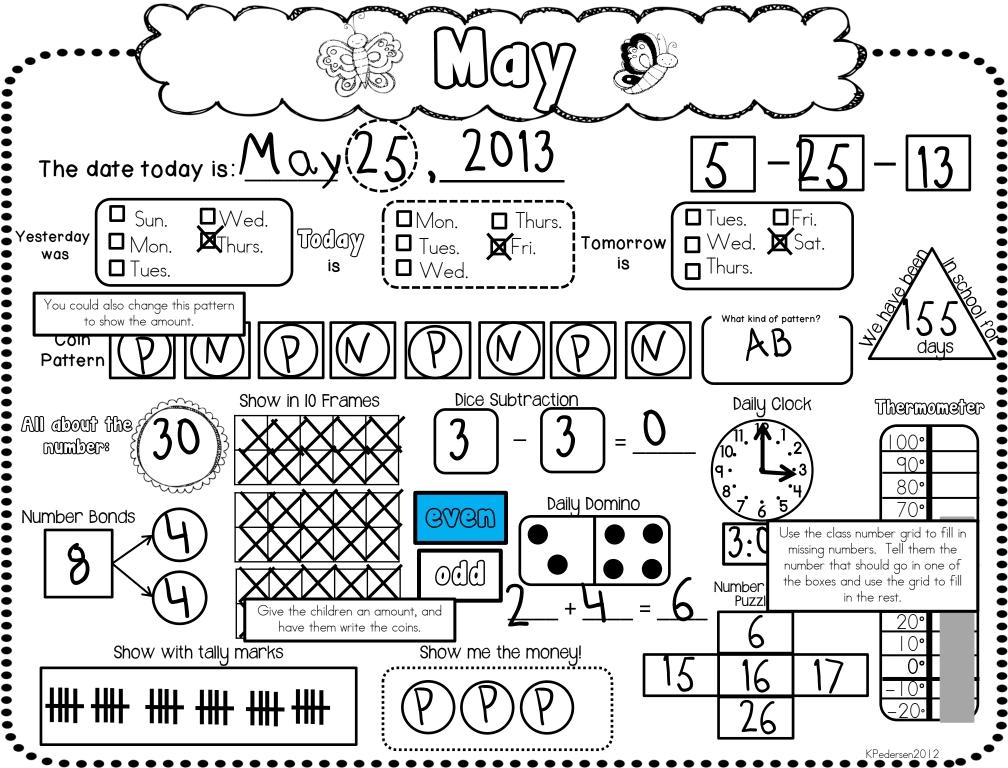


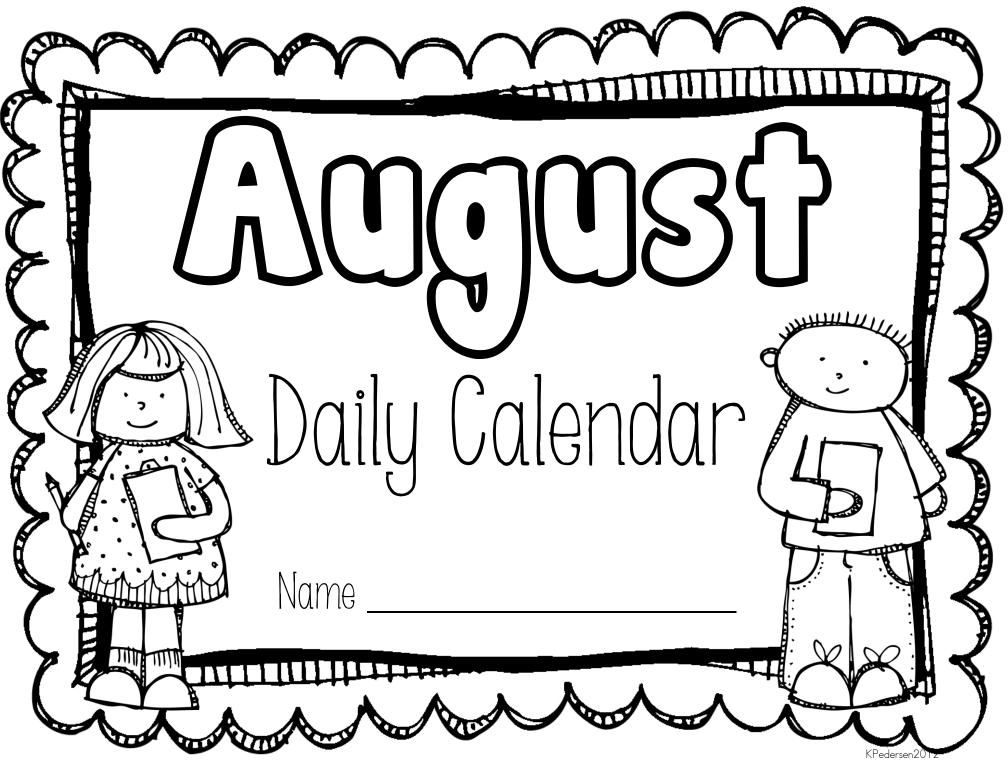






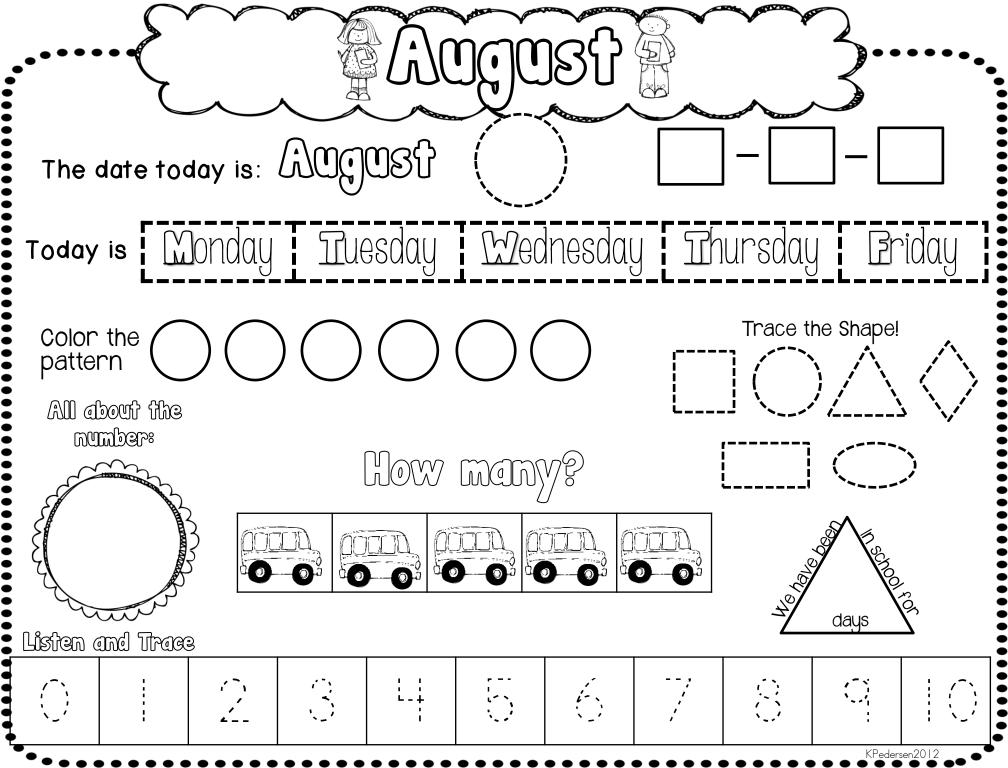


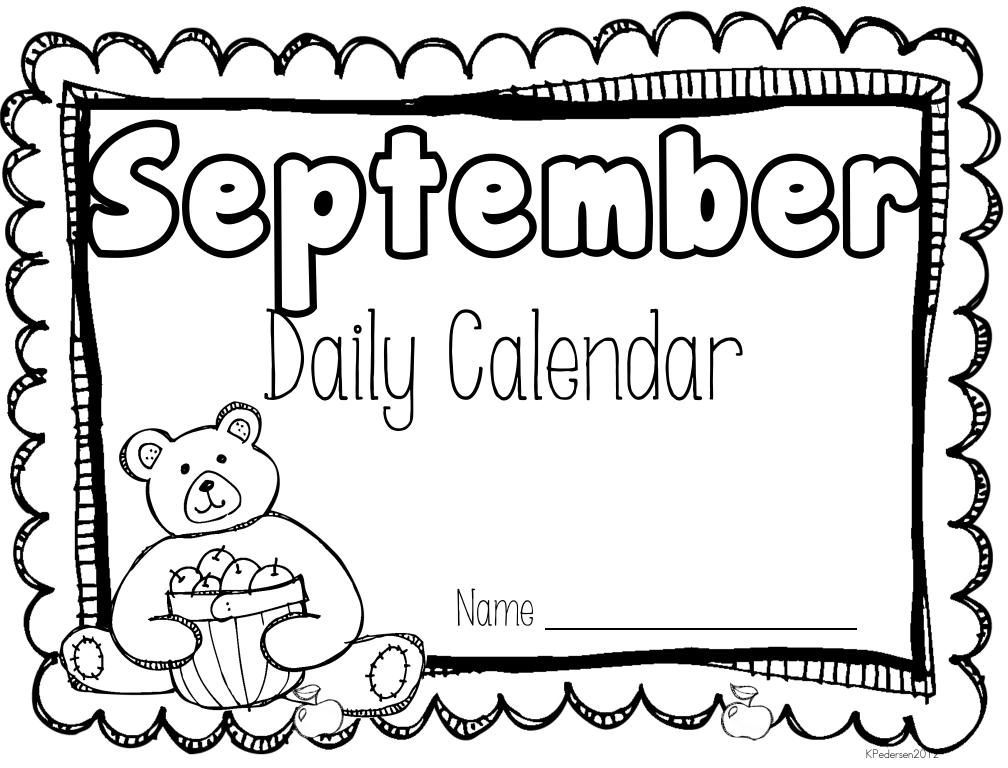




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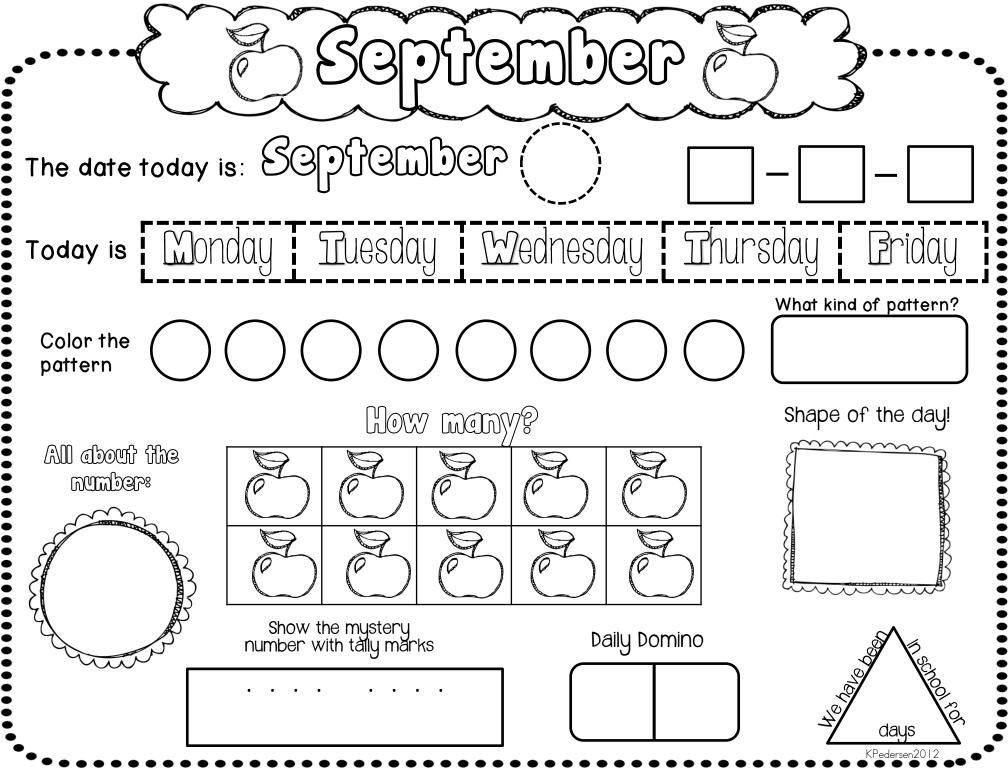
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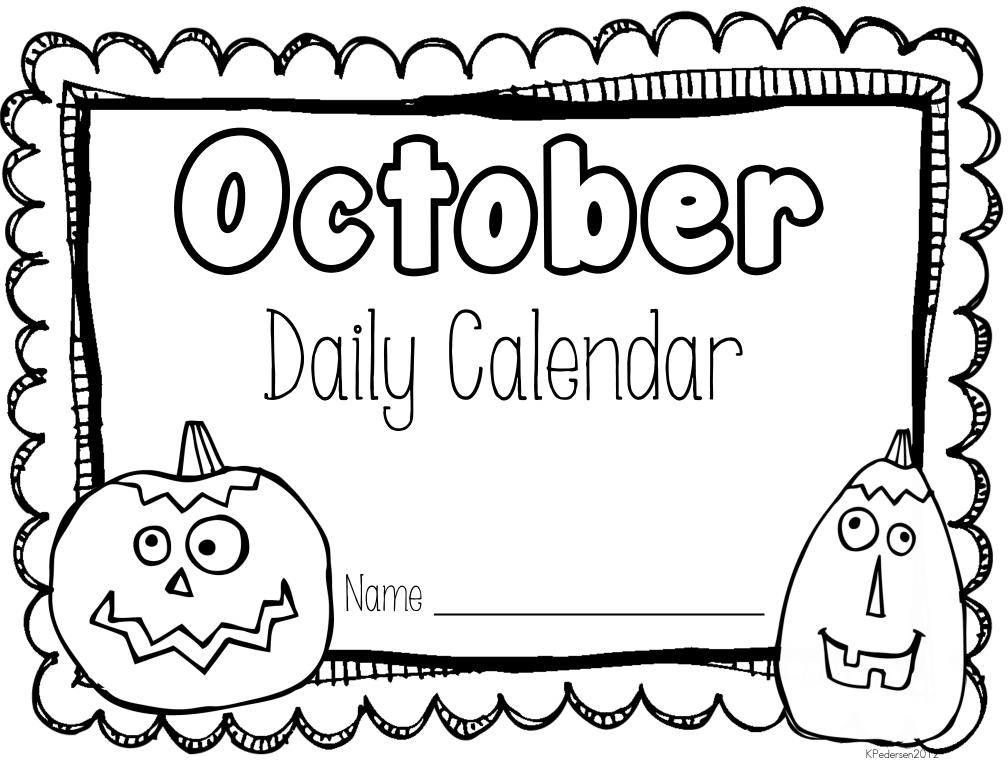


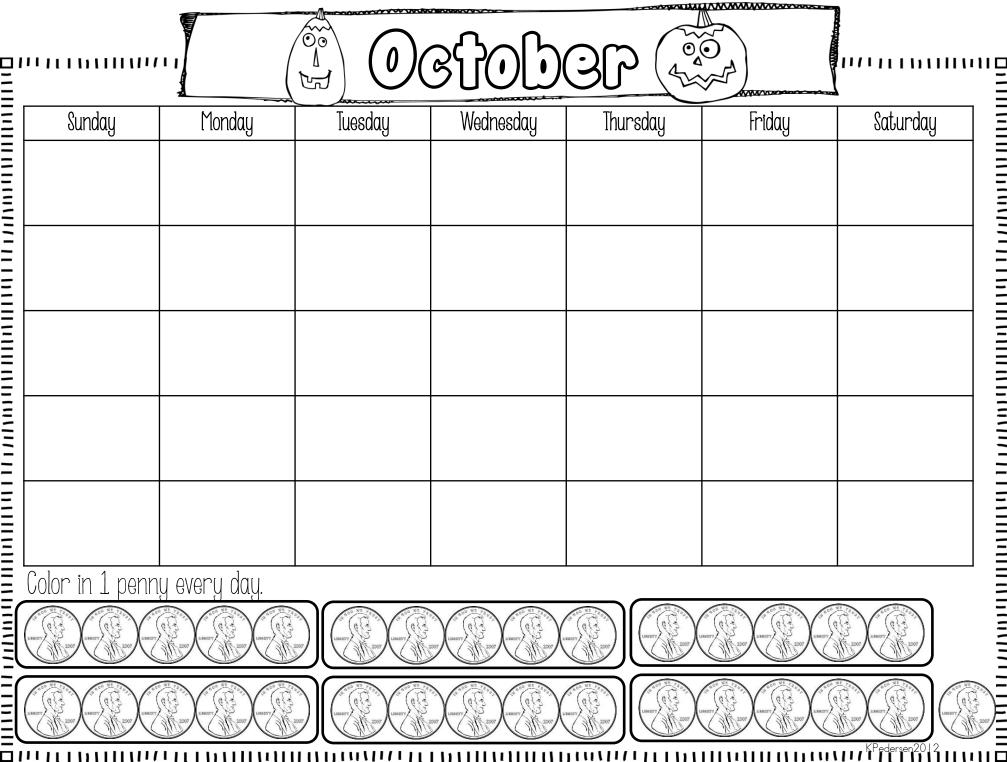


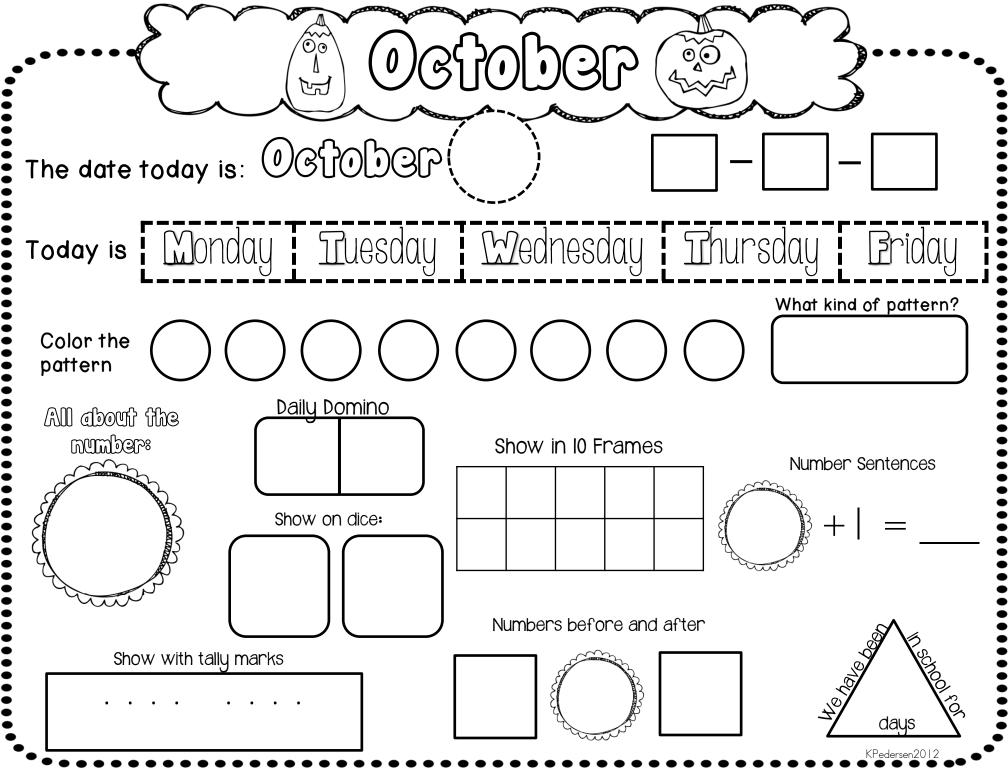
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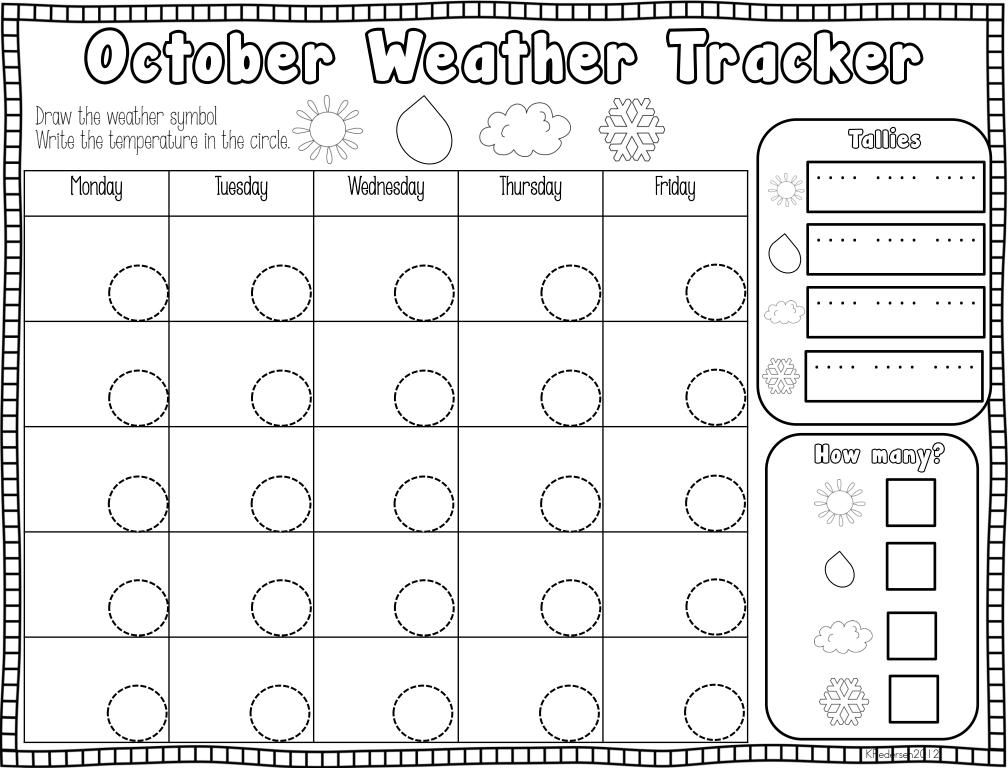
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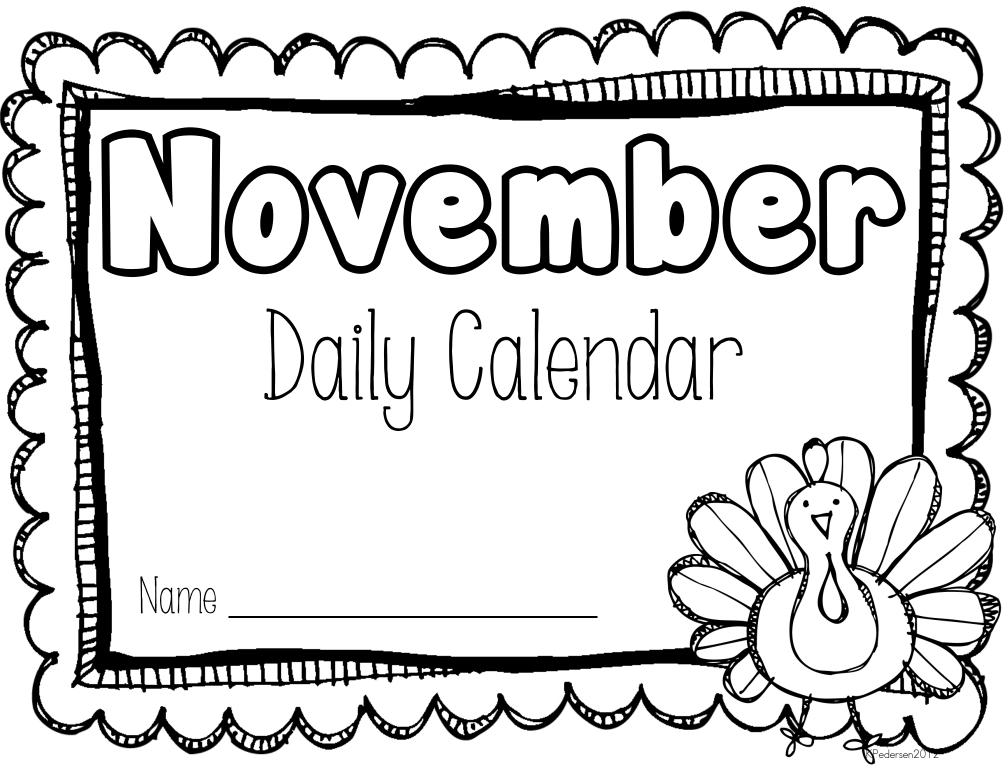


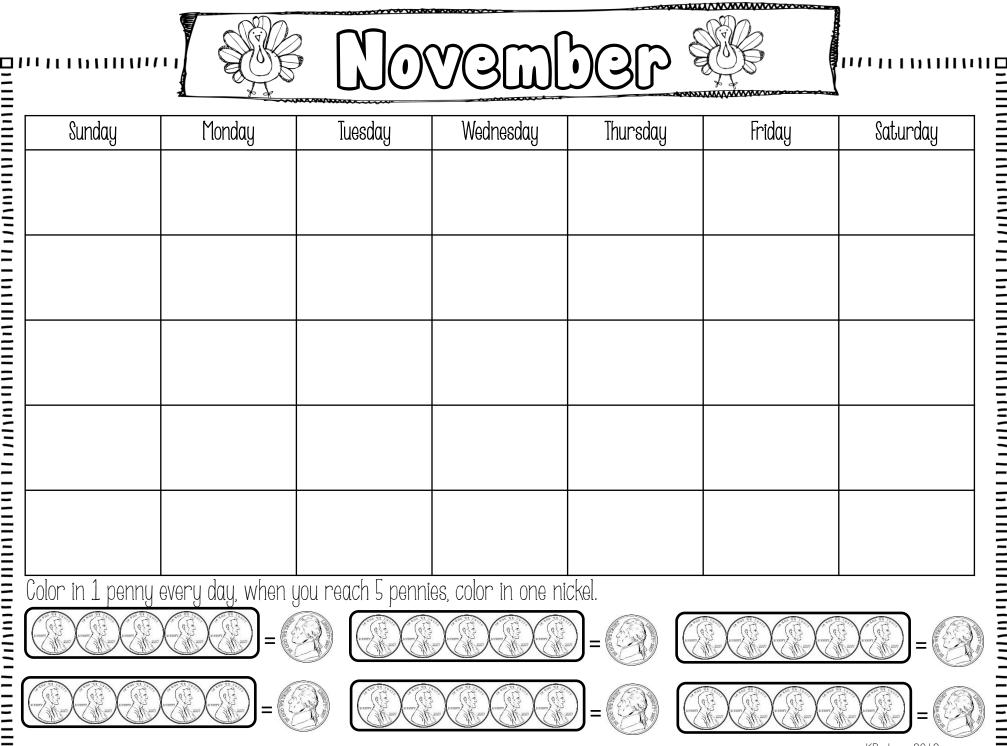




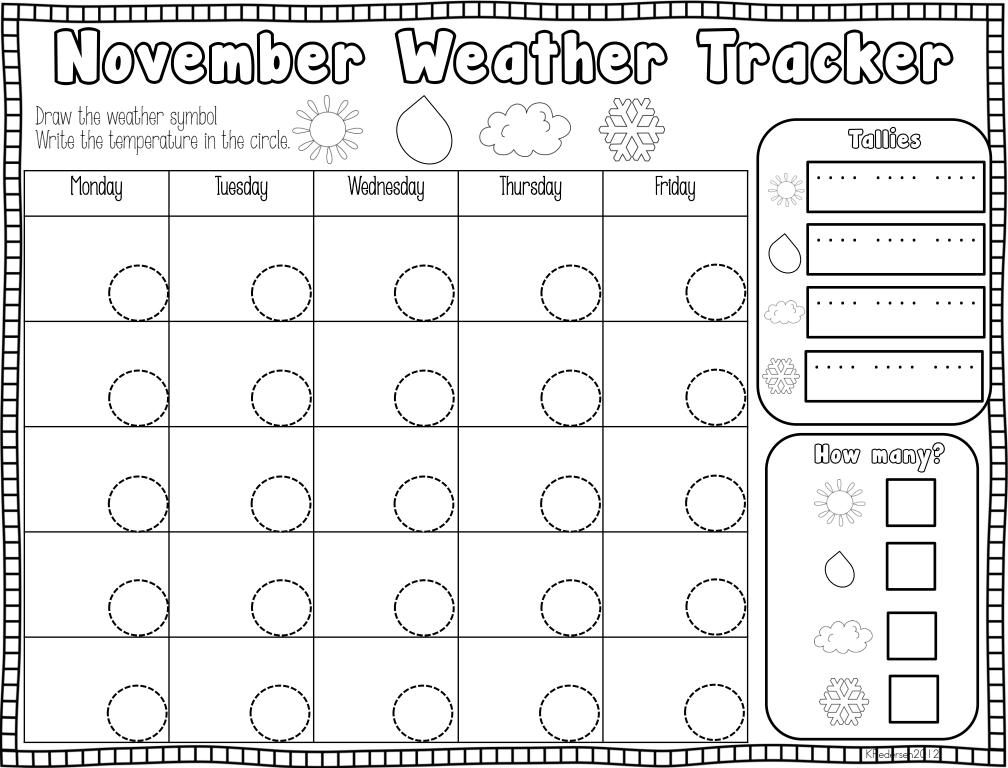


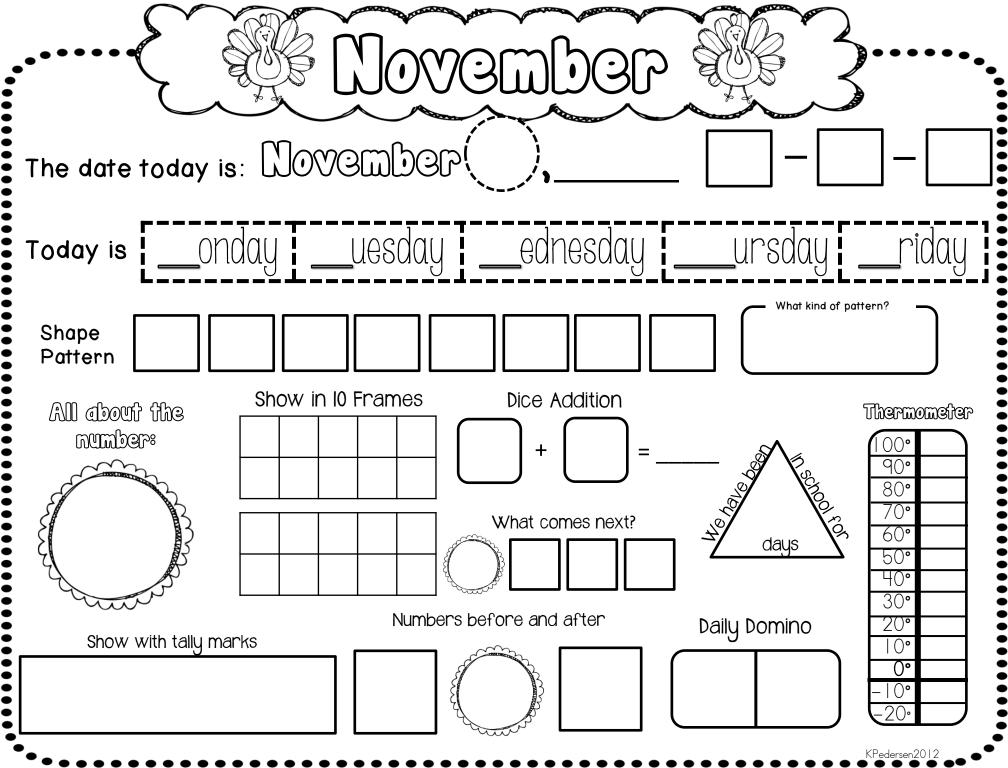


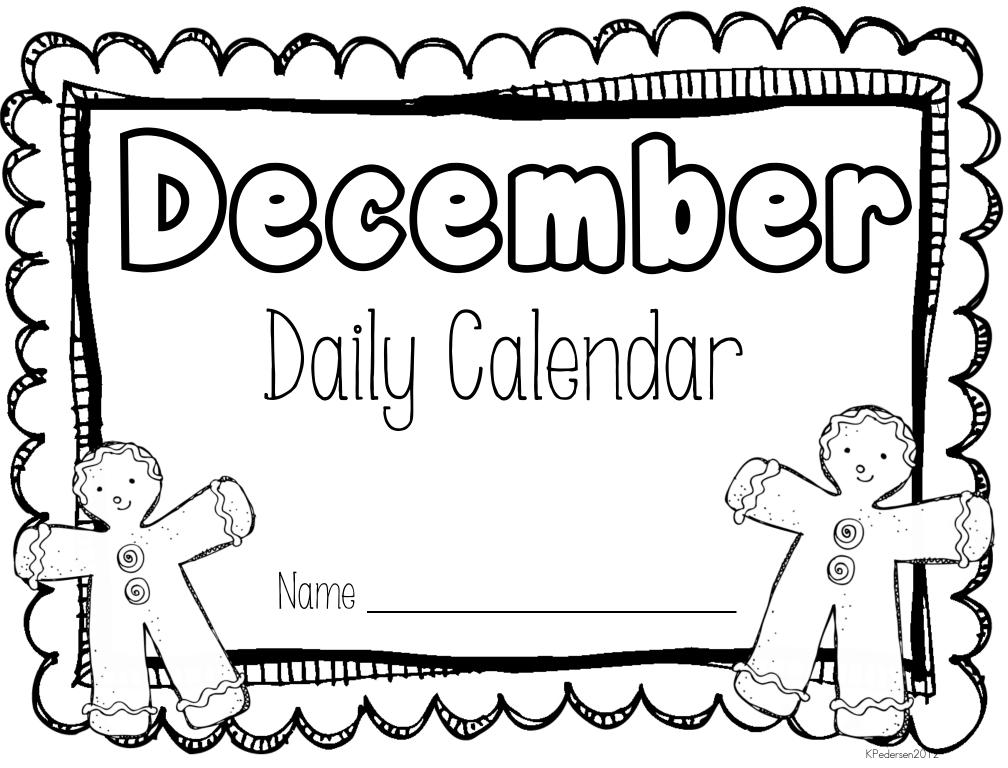




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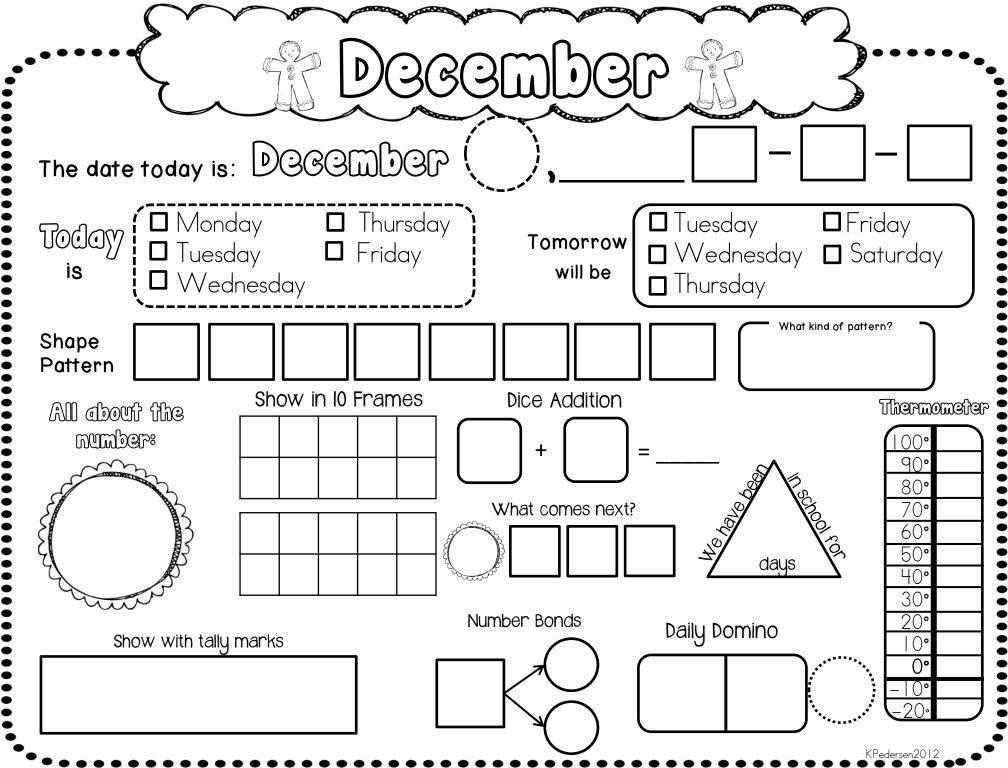


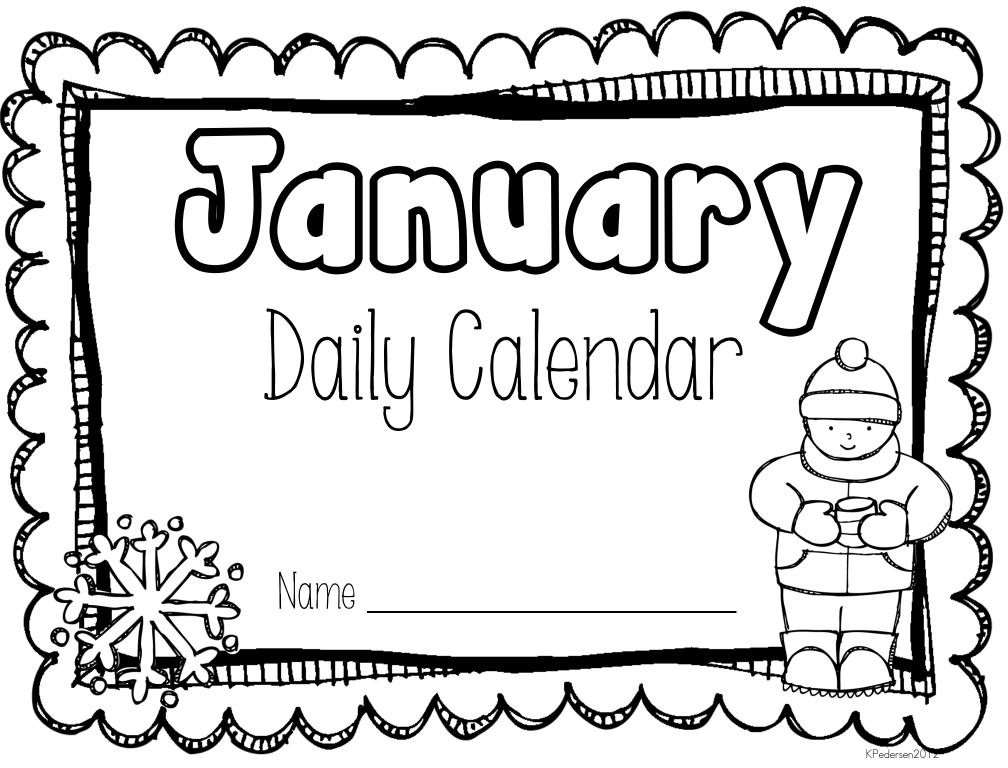


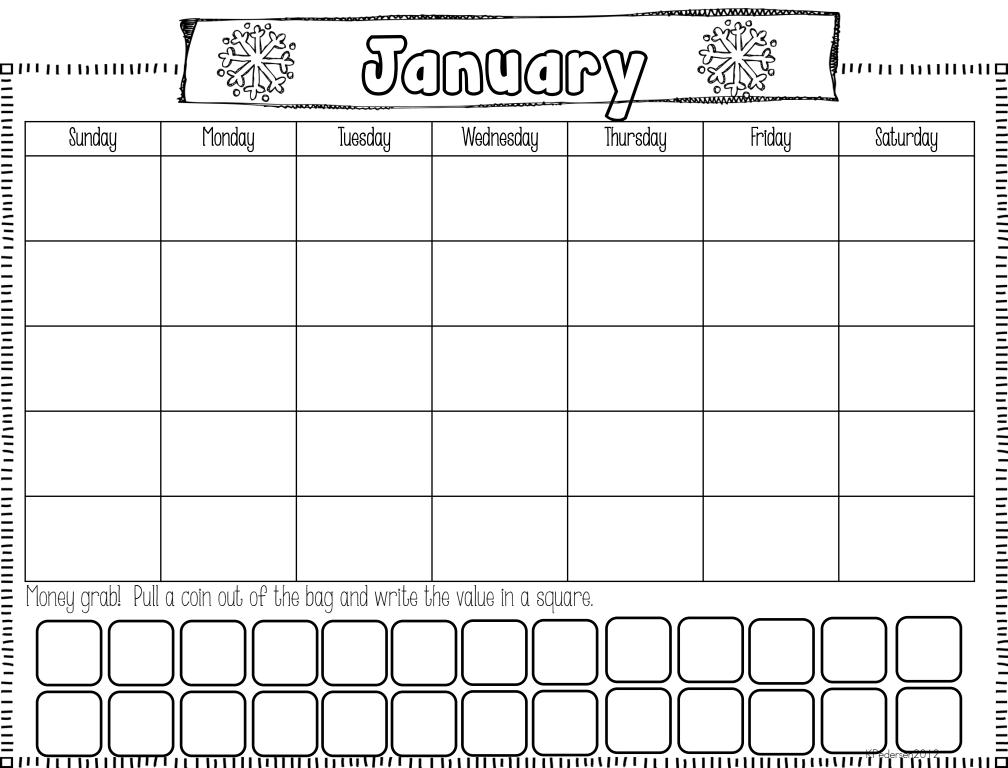
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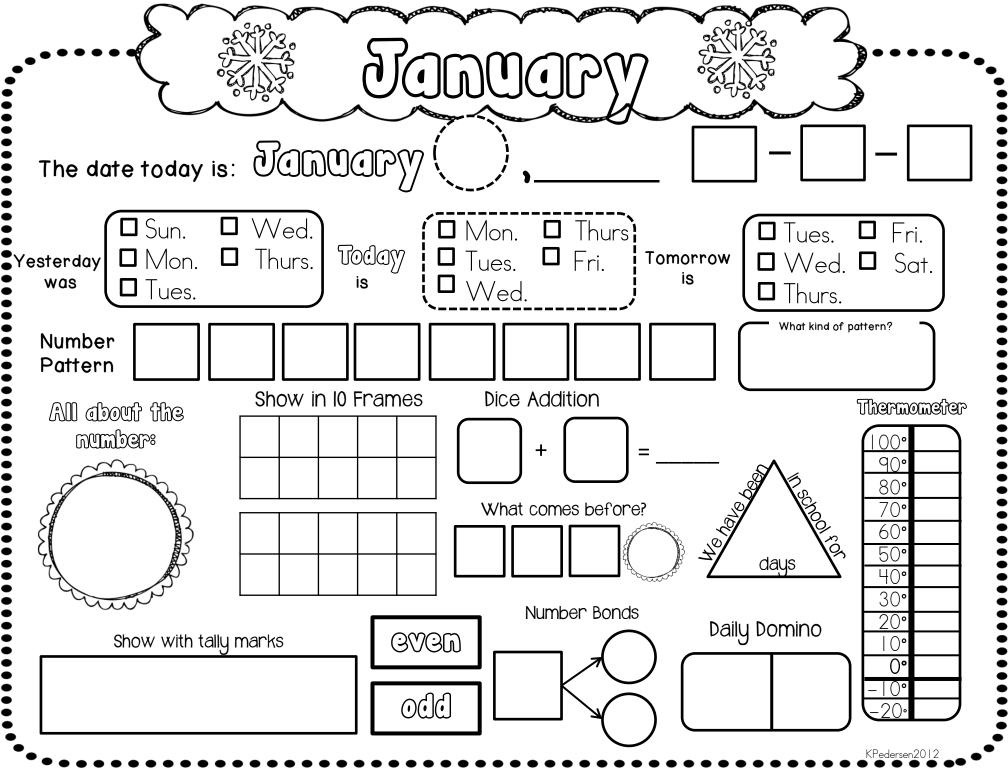
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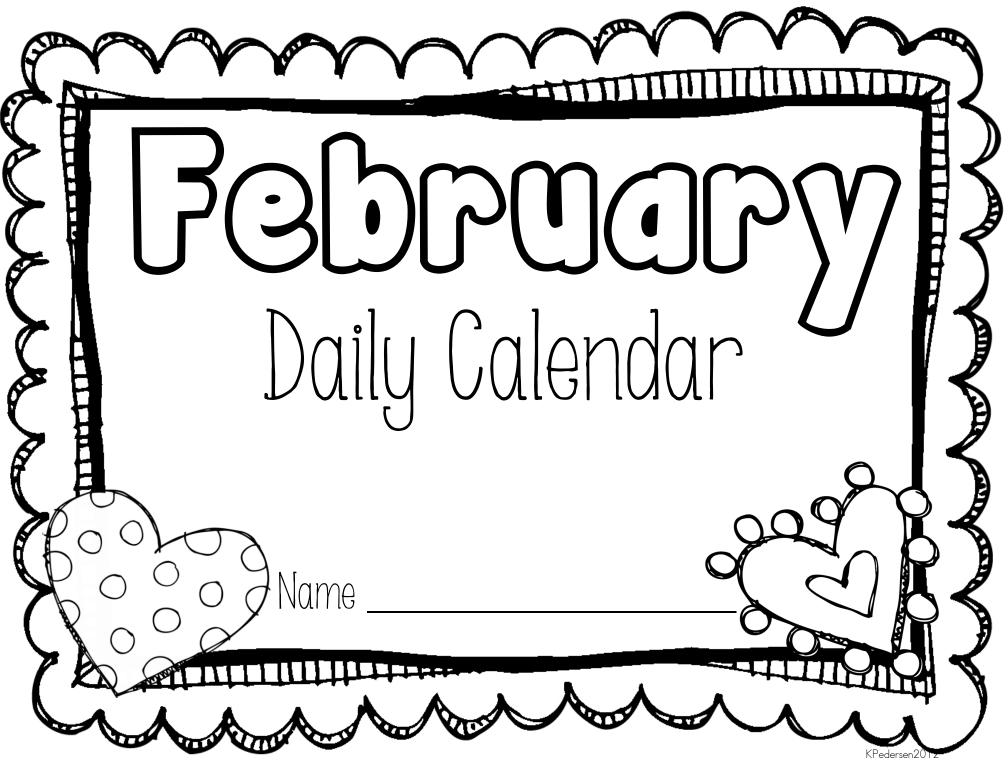


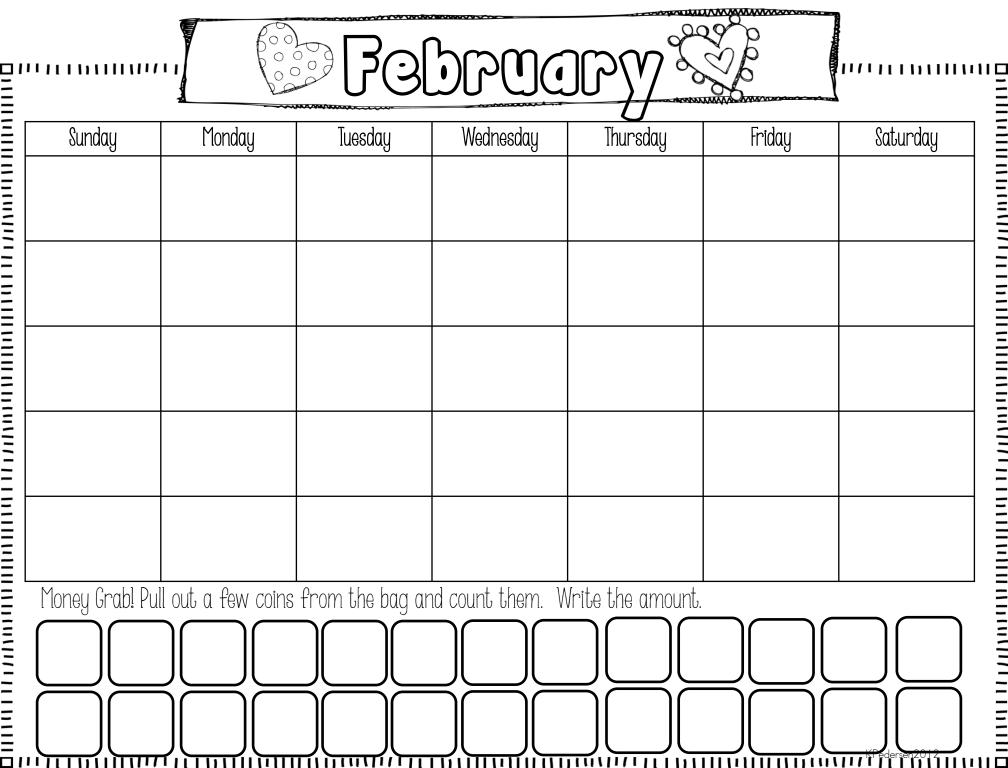




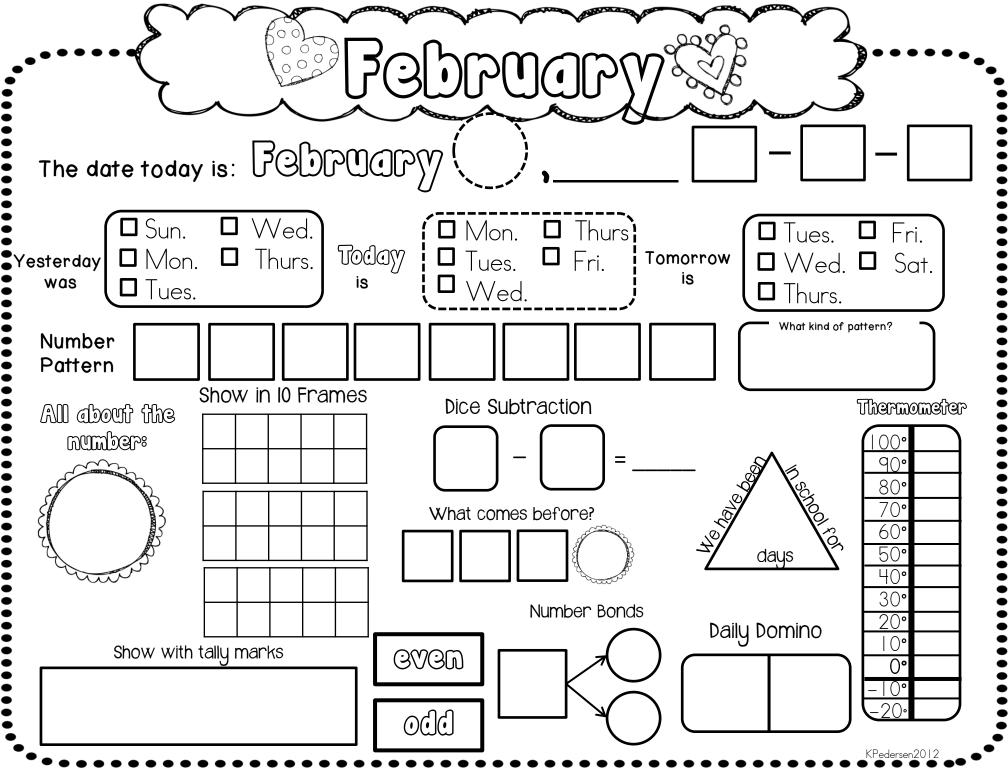
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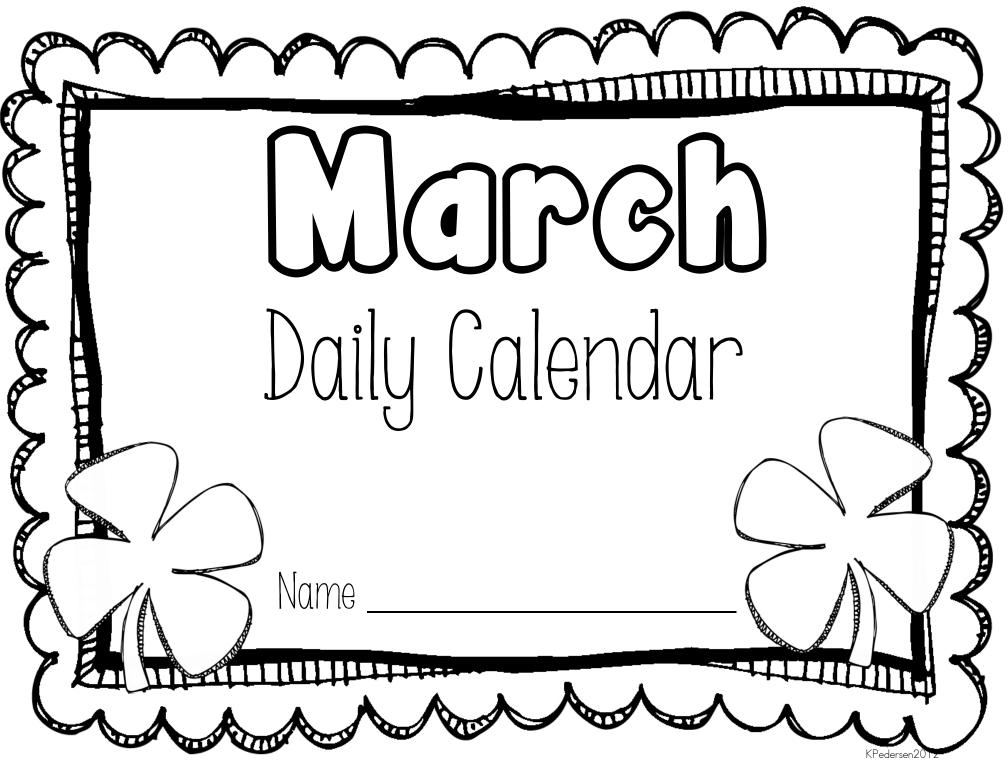


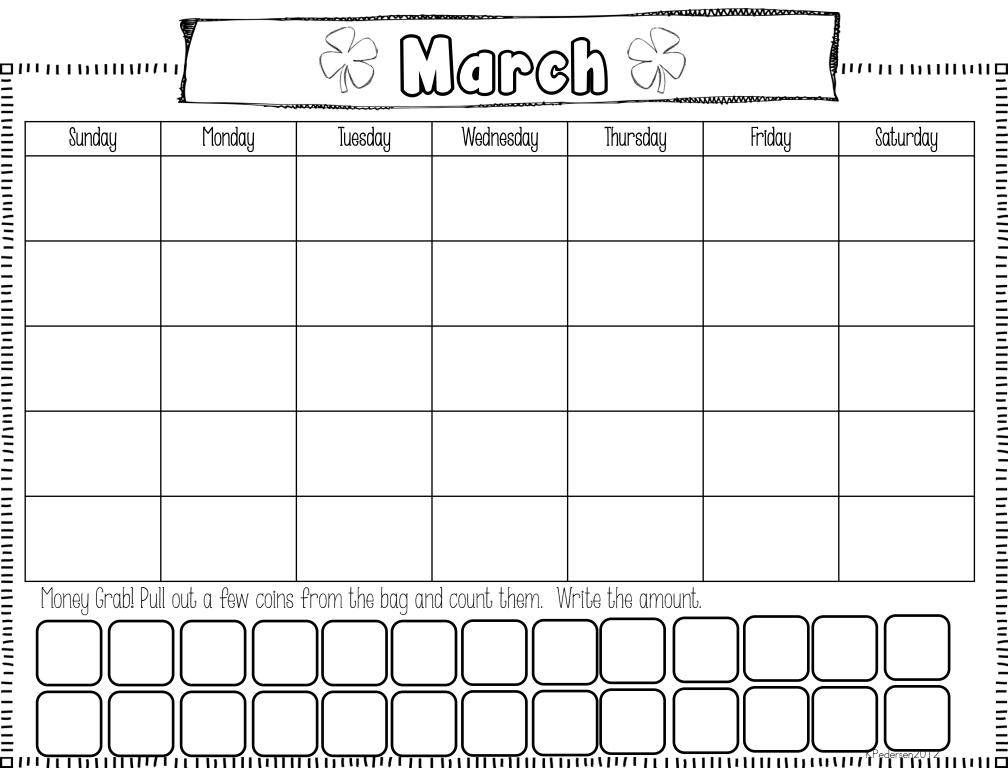


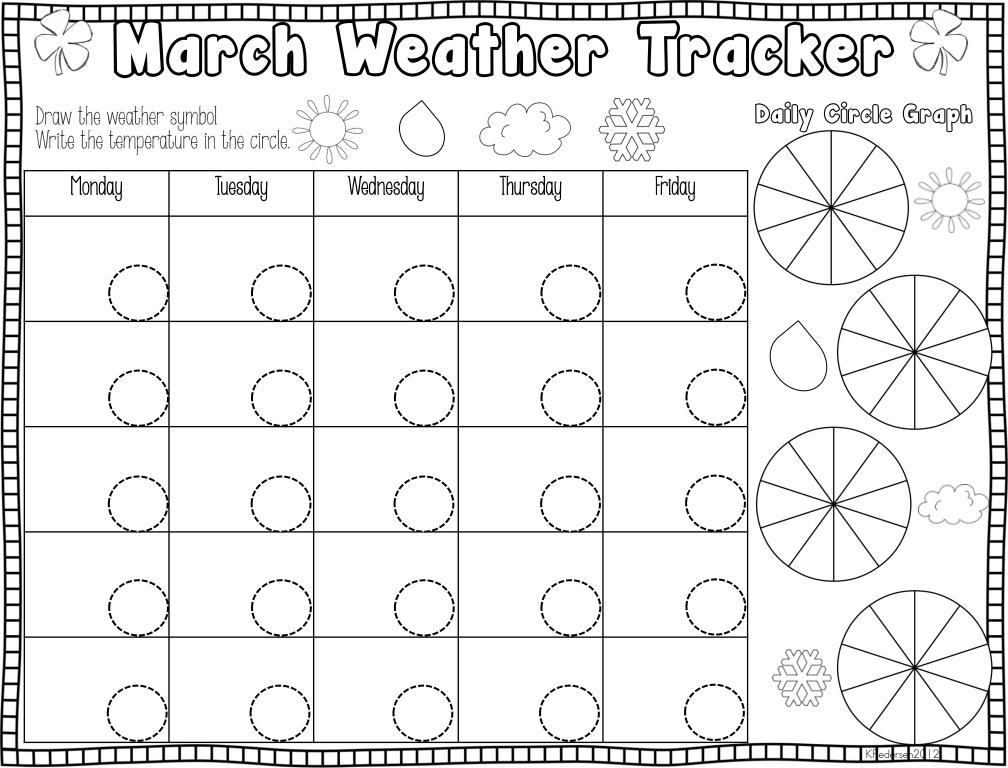


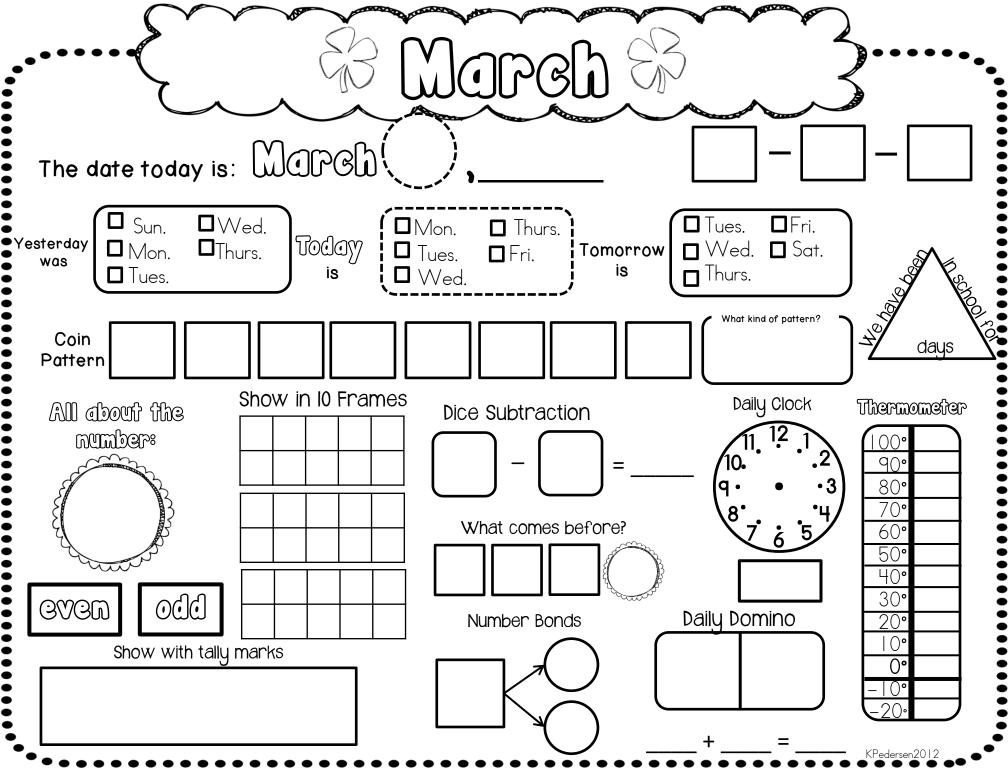
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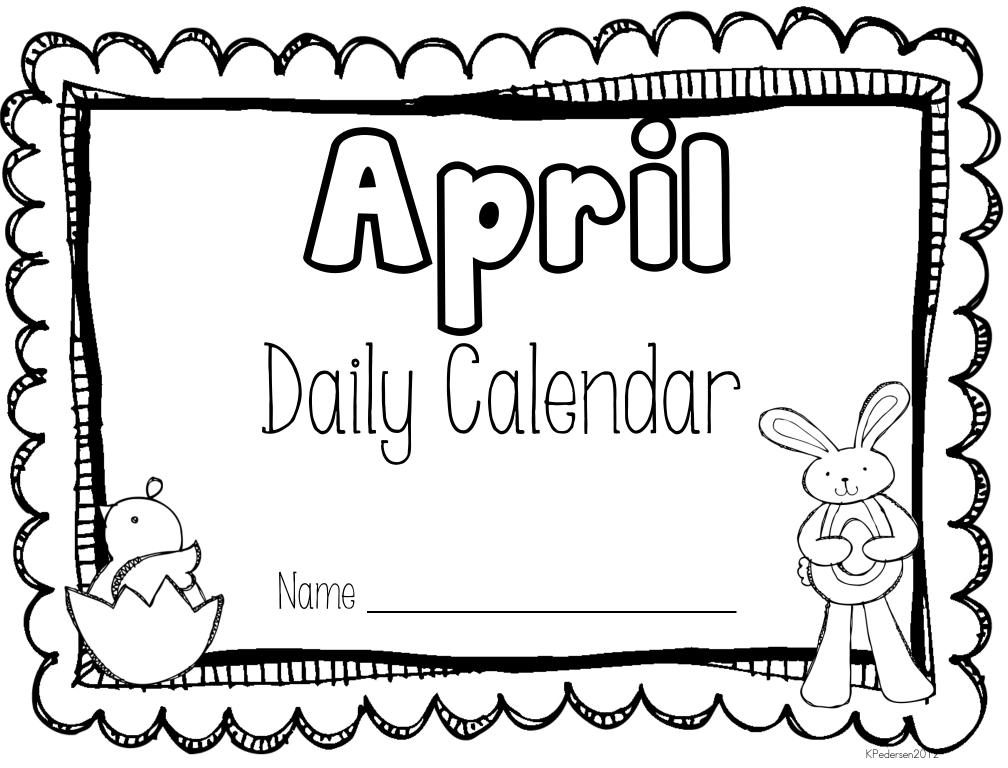


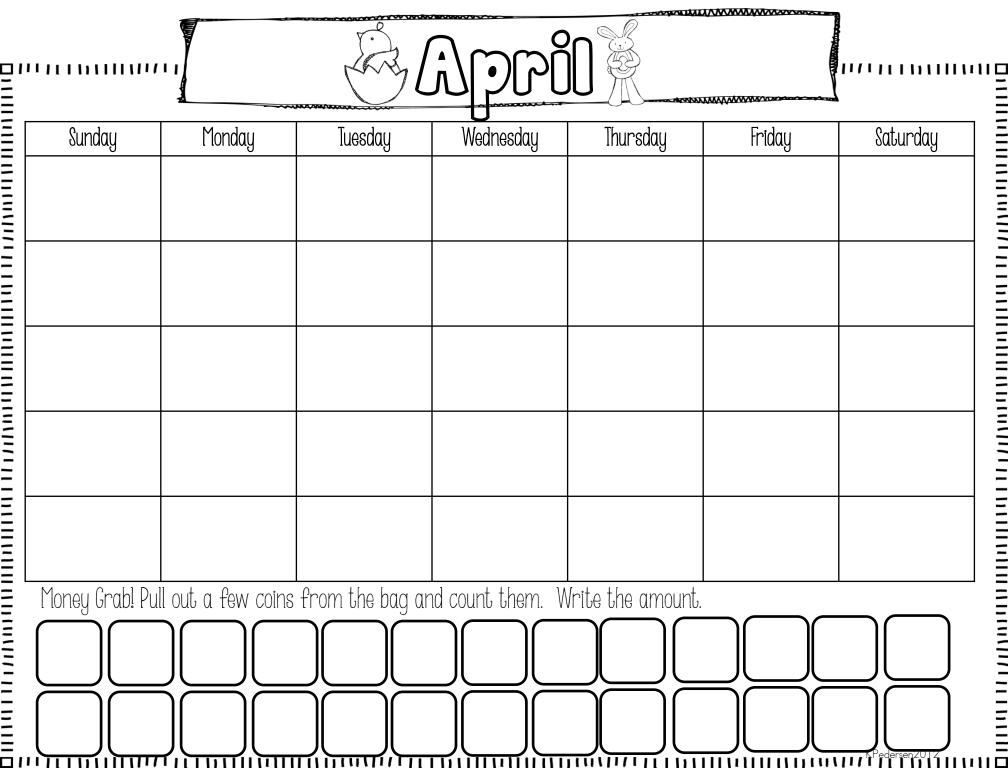


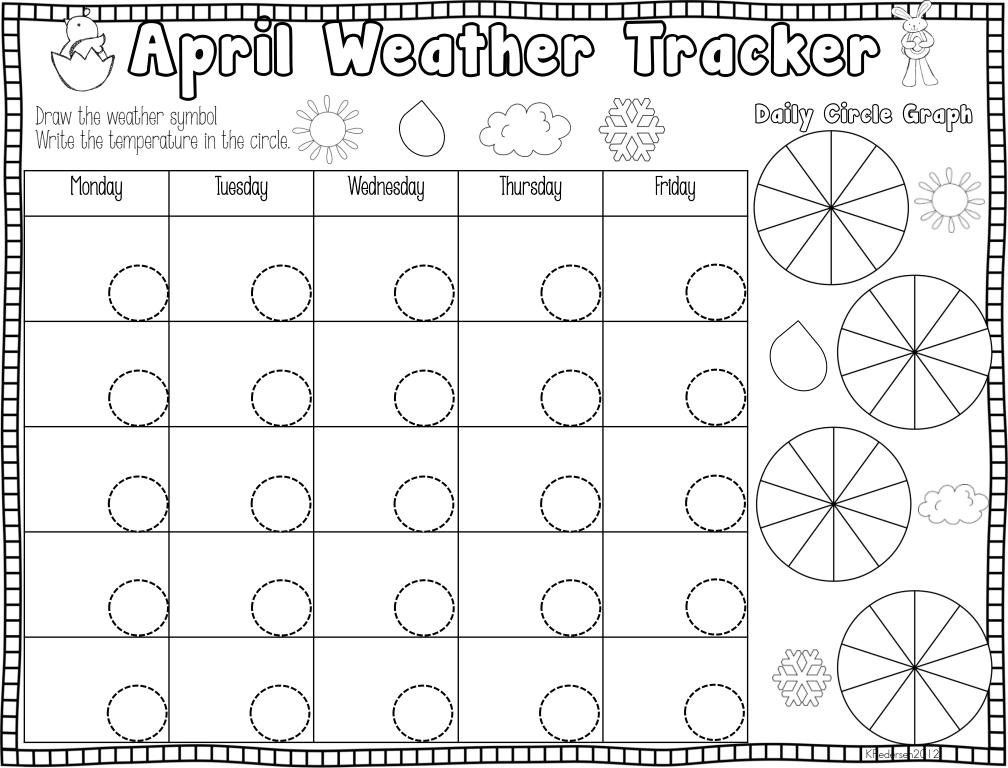


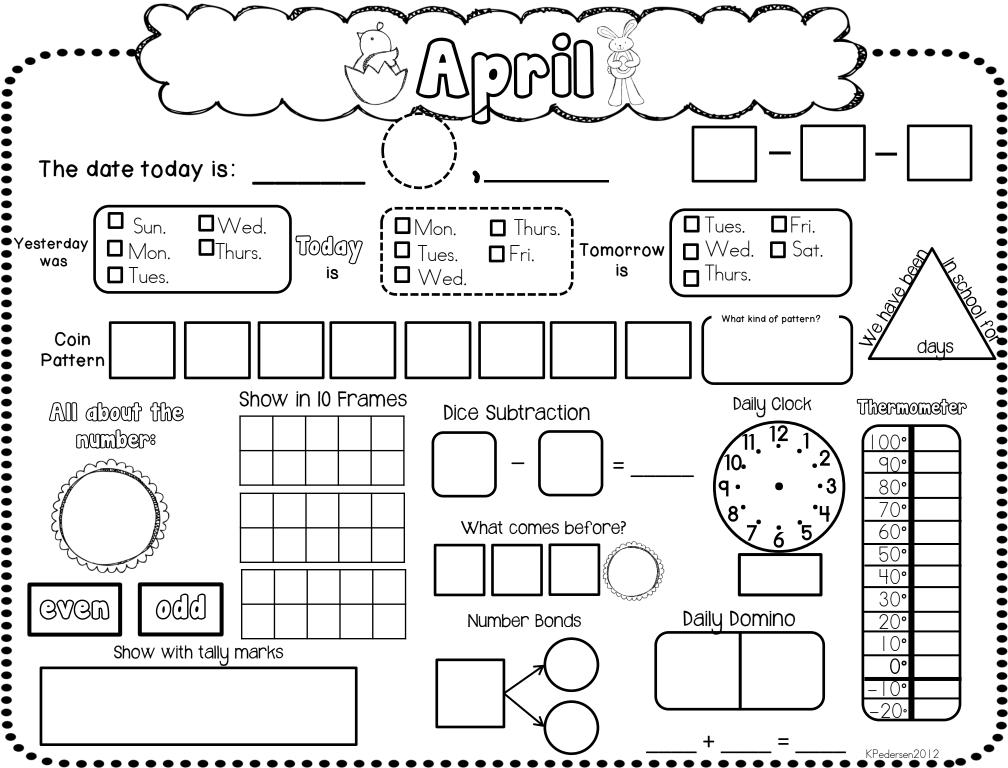


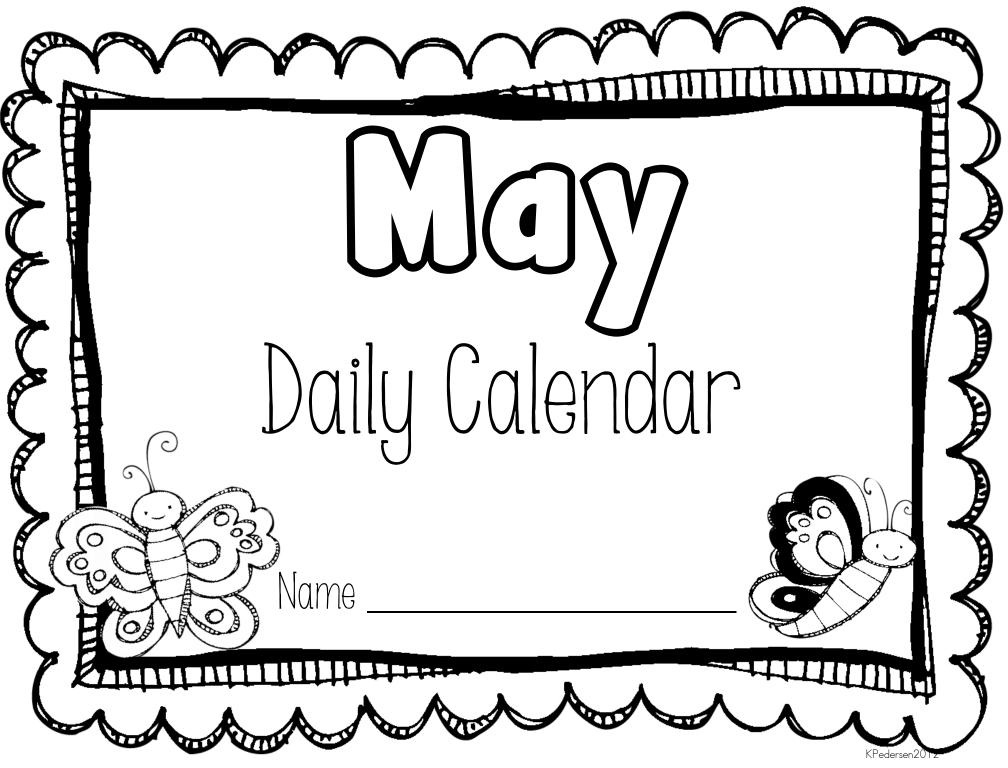


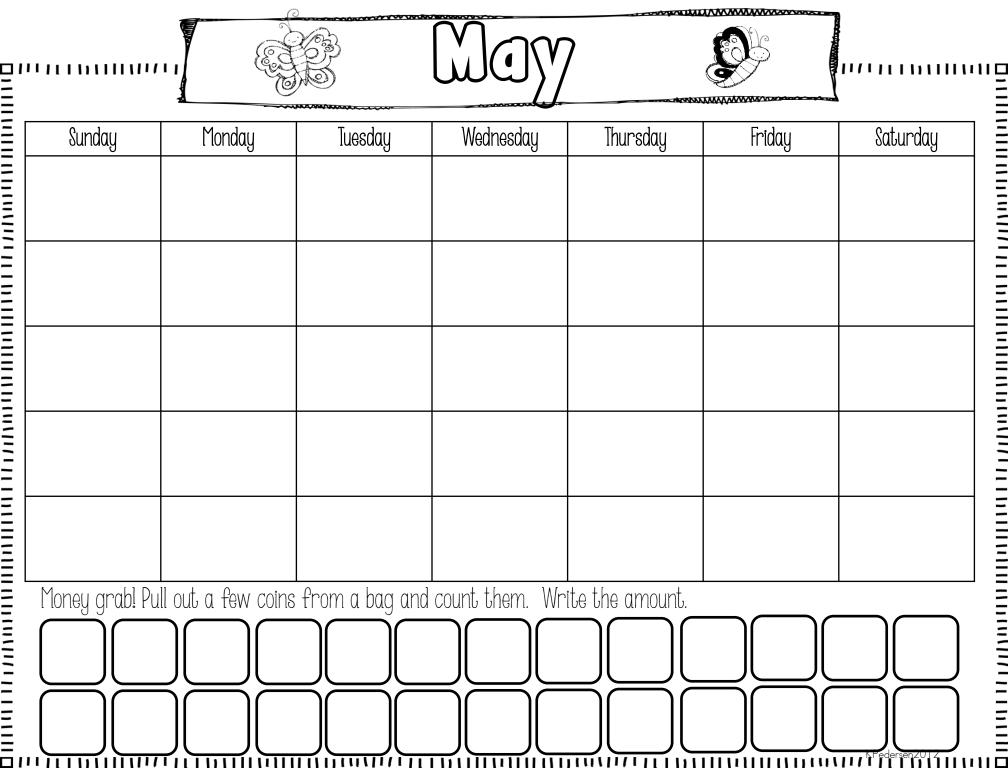




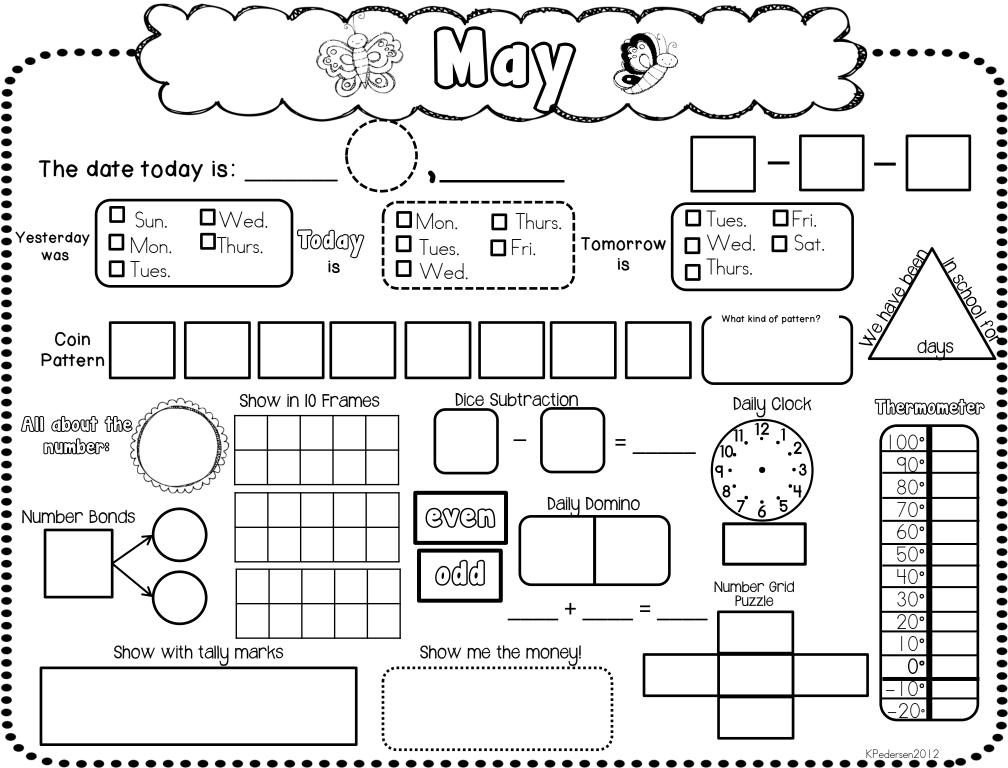


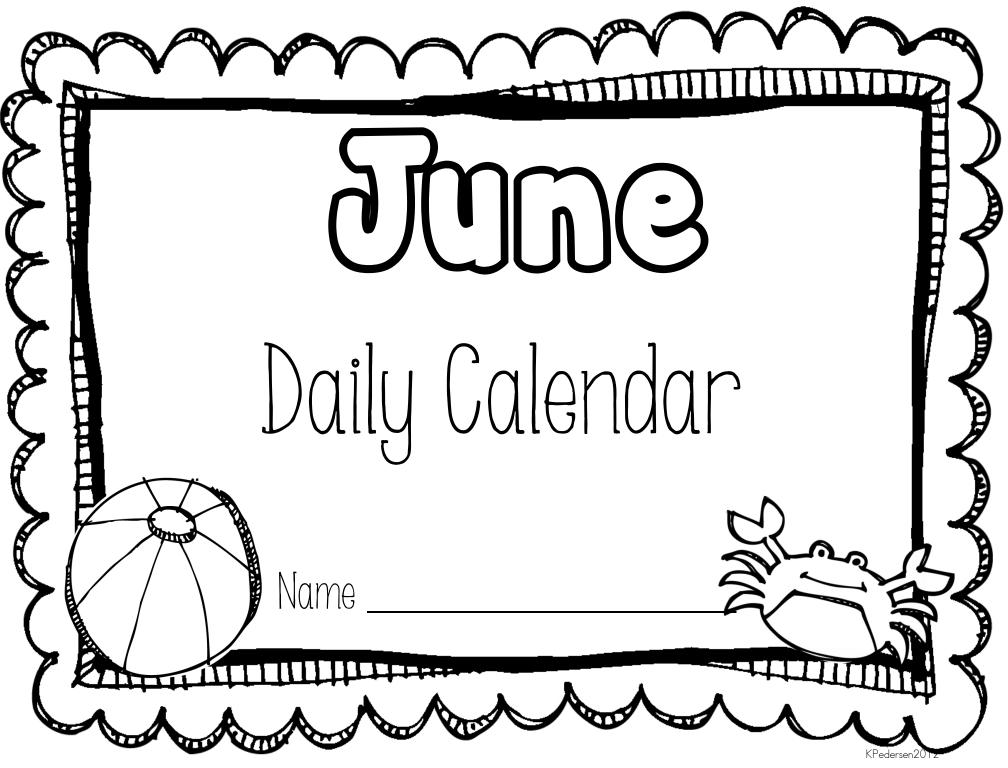


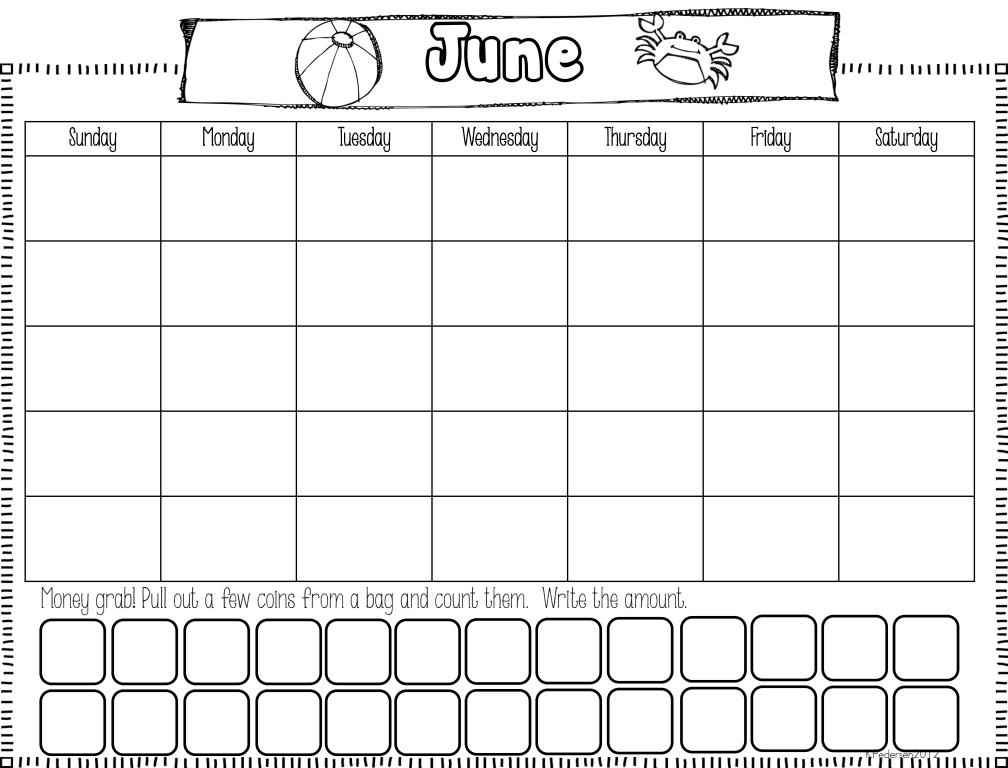


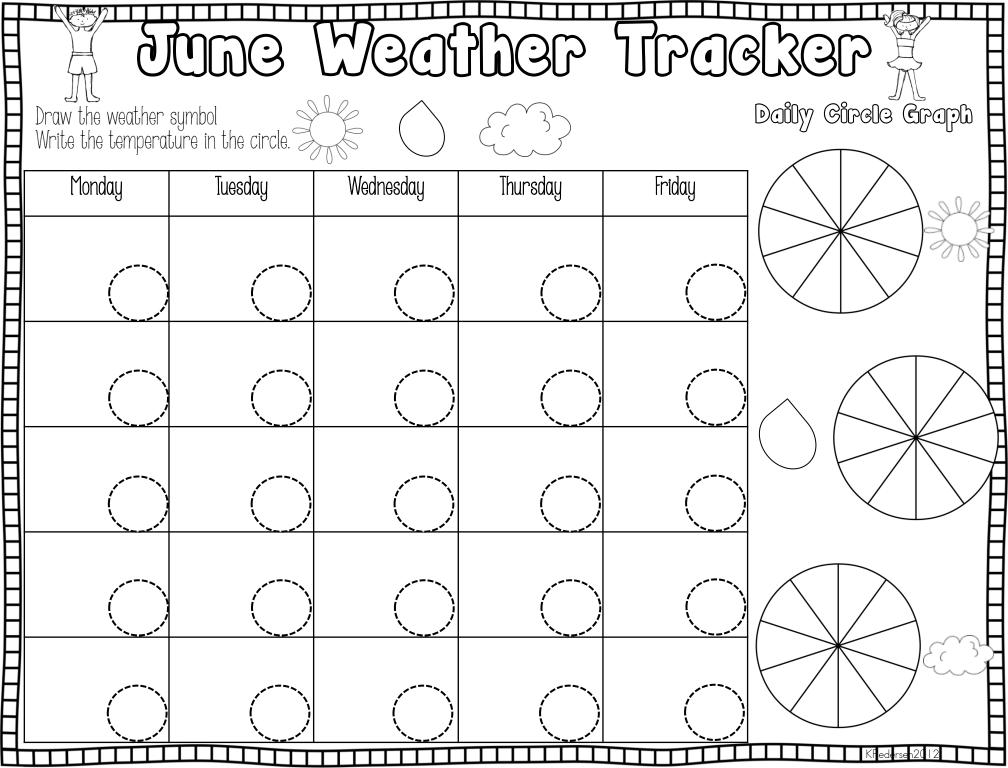


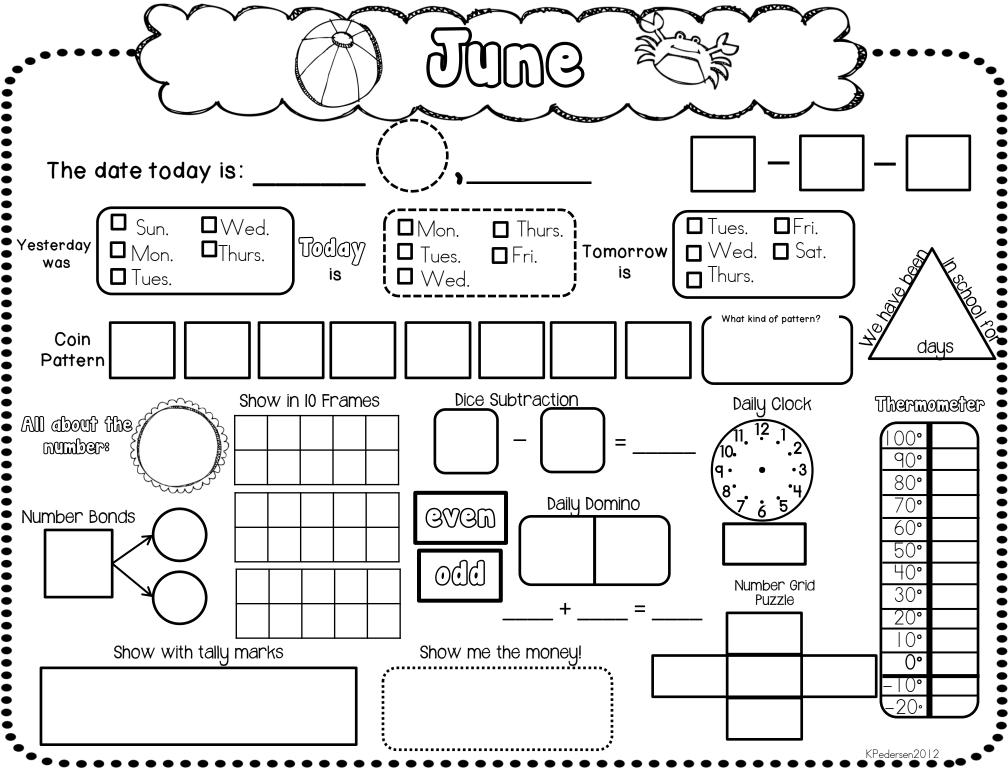
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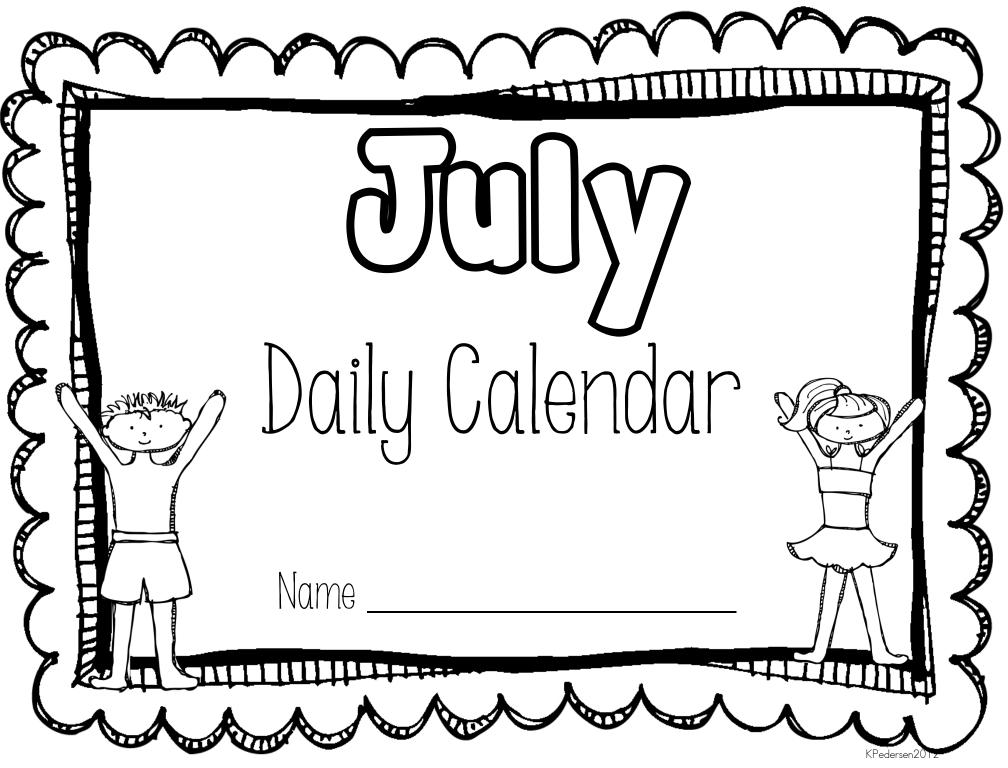


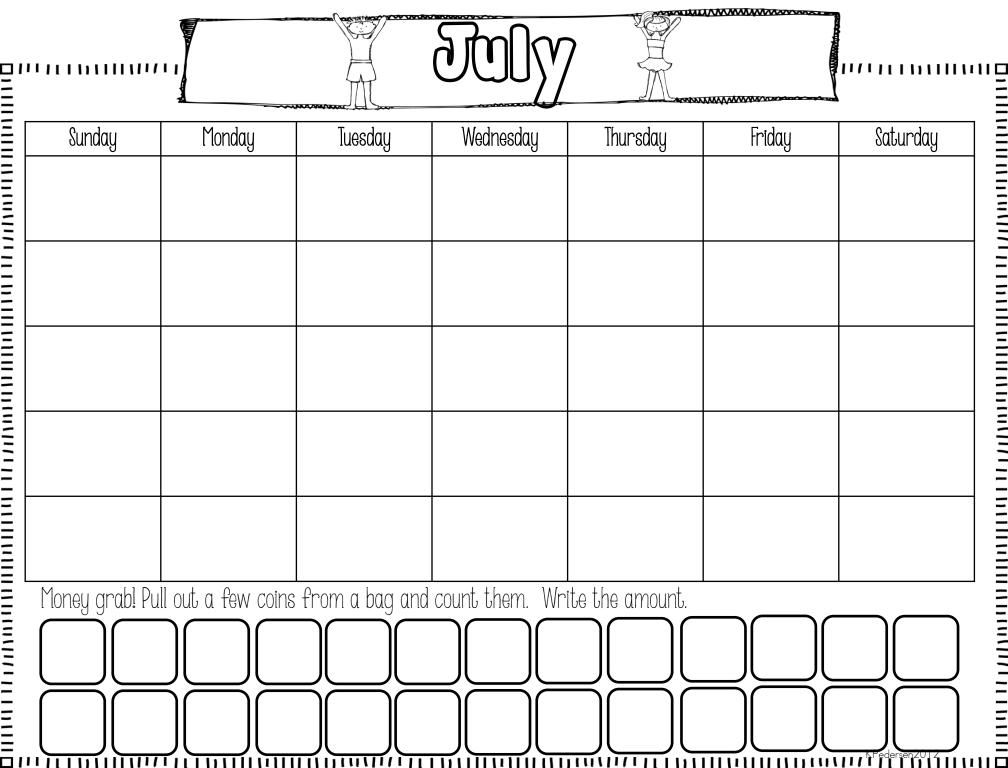




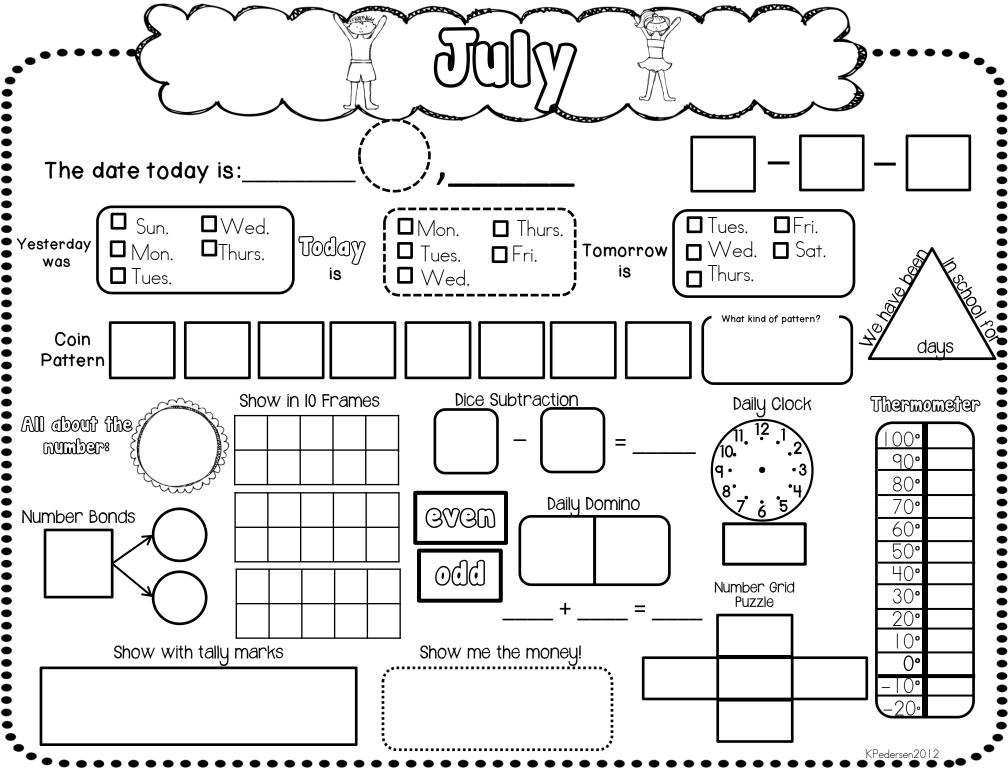








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