

Pre-Kindergarten Curriculum **Uzbekistan: Chekich Stamp**

Take a trip to Uzbekistan, and learn about the Uzbek Chekich Stamp!

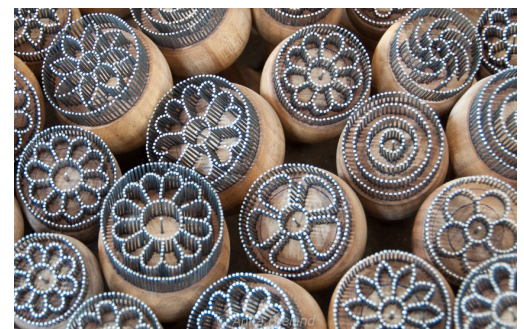
15 minutes prep, 30 minutes of class time

In this lesson, your class can be taught about Uzbekistan and its Stamping tradition. They will learn where Uzbekistan is, and will make an ornament **EITHER** using finger prints **OR** stamps

Required Materials:

1. Photos of Uzbekistan
2. Playdough or similar clay-like material
3. Paint for the stamps/fingers

Preparation: Section out small balls of playdough for each student. Put out paint for them to use when they stamp the playdough. If using stamps, place them next to the paint bowl.



Lesson Plan:

1. Begin by asking the children what country we live in and then help them locate that country on a map or globe. Then show them where Uzbekistan is on a map/globe. (5 mins)
2. Use the powerpoint or printed images to take the children on a tour of Uzbekistan, showing them examples of people there and the examples of the stamps used. (5 mins)
3. Using a playdough and either a stamp or your finger, demonstrate the task. Ball up the clay using your hands and flatten it once round. Then, using your thumb or a stamp, create a design. When using thumbs, we made hearts.
4. Let the children go to the craft area. Supervise the process crafting process. If need, help with the paint
5. Once the children are finished, punch a hole in the top of the ornament using a pen top or similar. Either let them dry on a heater or in a windowsill or cure as instructed on the clay package.

