



# POTTED CACTI

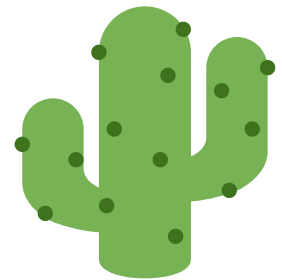
## Lesson of the Day:

Just because someone is prickly on the outside doesn't mean they're a bad person. Sometimes they're just protecting a soft core. In the desert, often there isn't water for miles. But if you cut open a cactus, even a super prickly one, you can find water inside. Often people who are a little tough or mean at first are just trying to protect themselves. So be kind!

## Materials:

- Pink and green paper
- Scissors
- Green markers

- Glue/glue stick
- Small stick
- Clay
- Small pot



## Instructions:

1. Discuss the lesson of the day with your students. Talk about what it means to them.
2. Fill the pot to the top with the clay. Give each student six circles of green paper in their choice of color. Have them fold each in half.
3. Have them glue the circles together to make a big fan of circles into the cactus body shape.
4. Have them draw cactus lines with a darker green marker than the paper.
5. Have students cut tiny spikes from the other green paper and glue them to the cactus edges with glue stick.
6. Place the small stick in the clay standing up. Slide the cactus on top.
7. Make the flower out of two colorful paper stars overlapping. Place a small ball of yellow clay in the center. Glue it to the top.