

Great Pumpkin Addition Mat

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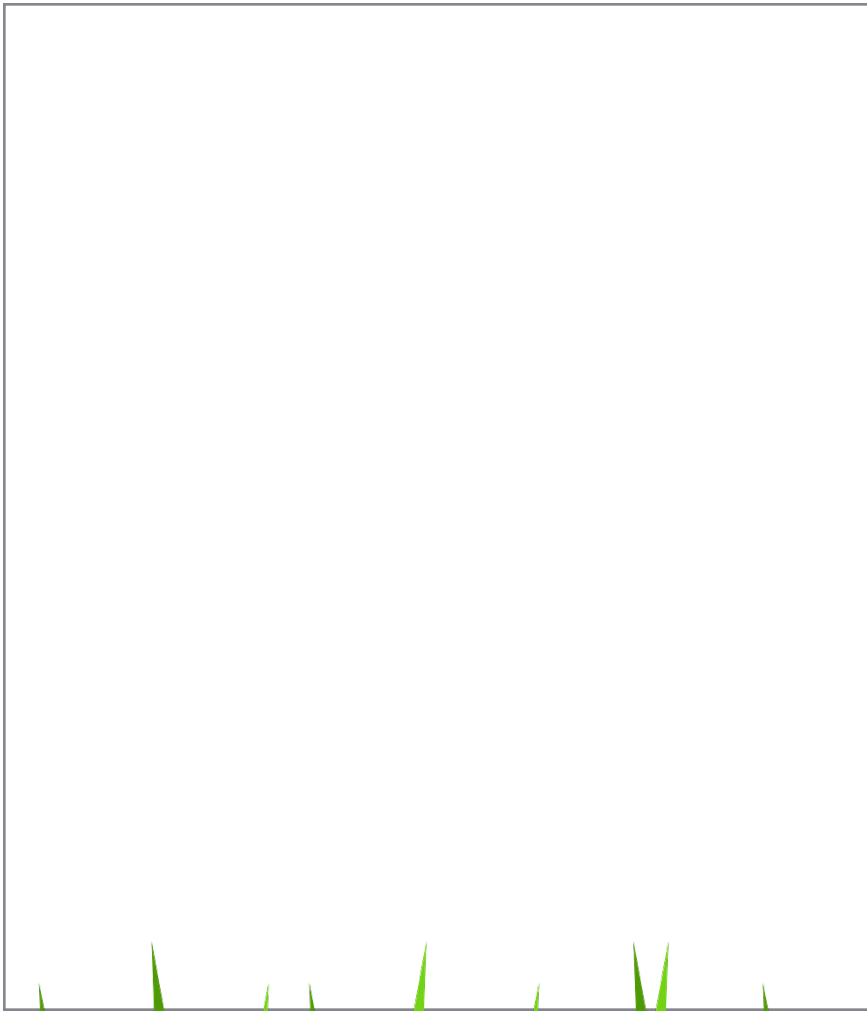
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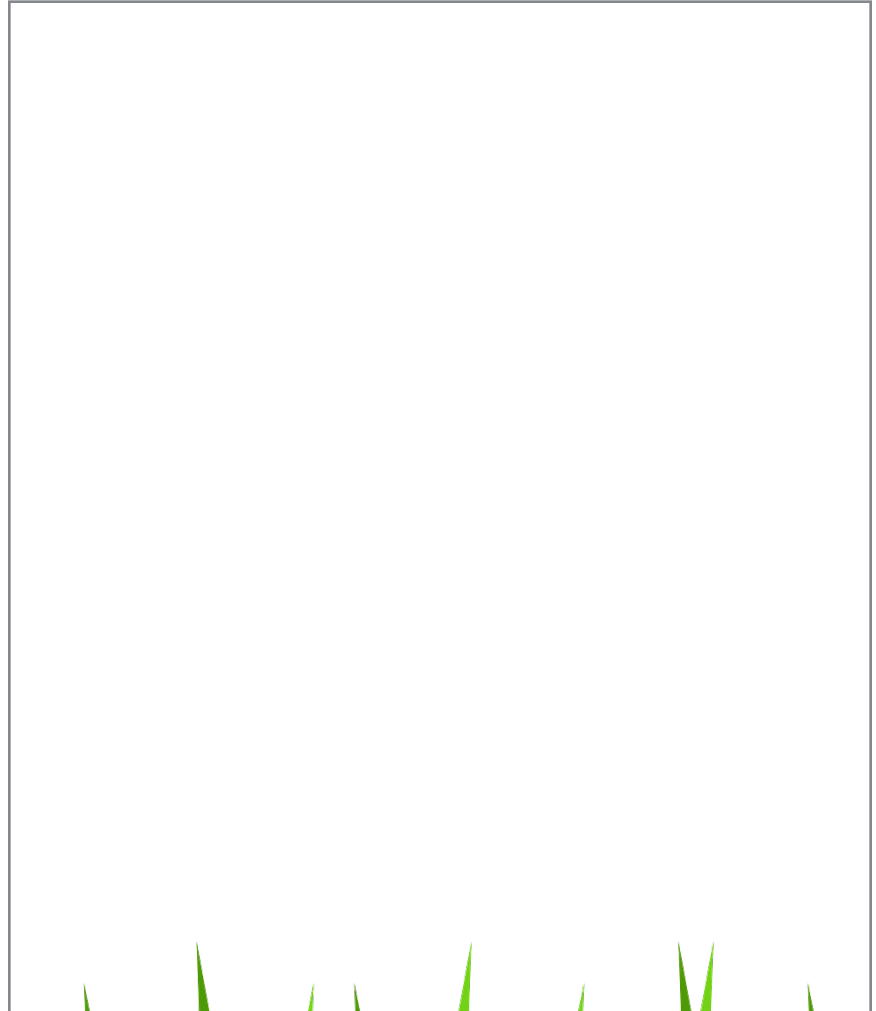
Instructions for using the pumpkin addition mats:

- Print out the following addition mat pages, pumpkin and number cards and laminate (if desired)
- Cut out the pumpkin and number cards for your child
- Sit down with your child and place between 0 and 13 pumpkins (for children just beginning to learn addition you can choose between 0 and 6 pumpkins) in the first square and tell your child "We see this many pumpkins in the pumpkin patch. Go ahead and count how many there are."
- After your child counts the pumpkins, have them find and place the corresponding number card on the first square to help them remember how many pumpkins they counted.
- Next, place between 0 and 13 pumpkins (again, for children just beginning to learn addition you can choose between 0 and 6 pumpkins) in the second square and tell your child, "We see more pumpkins in the pumpkin patch. Count how many more pumpkins we see."
- After your child counts the pumpkins in the second box, have them find and place the corresponding number card on the second square to help them remember how many pumpkins they counted.
- Next, tell your child, "Now we need to find out how many pumpkins are in the pumpkin patch all together." Prompt them to tell you the number of pumpkins from the first box, PLUS, have them tell you the number of pumpkins from the second box, EQUALS. "Now we need to count how many pumpkins there are all together."
- You can then have your child count the total number of pumpkins in one of two ways: 1) Keep the pumpkins in the two boxes and have your child count them all to find the answer. 2) Move all the pumpkins together into the large box and have them count the total number of pumpkins.
- Either way, once they have found the total number of pumpkins they can identify the correct number card and place it in the large box.
- Have your child say the final equation out loud. For example, "Two PLUS three EQUALS five."
- Continue to repeat this process with various equations. You can keep your child interested by taking turns and having **them** teach **you**. Have them place the pumpkins in the boxes and ask you to count the pumpkins and say the equation out loud.

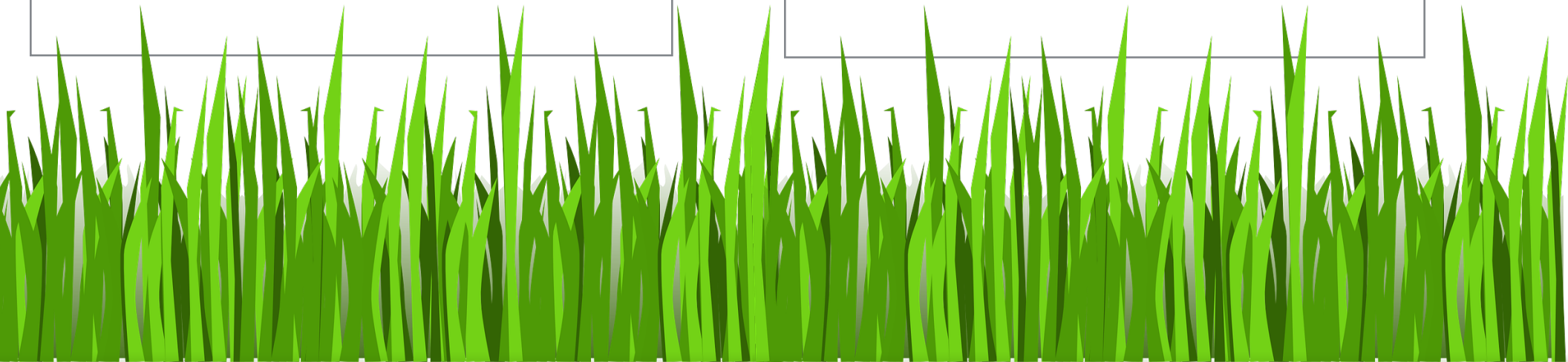
When working with very young children or those who have no interest in sitting for very long, keep your sessions short, fun and maybe even a little bit silly! Enjoy this precious time with your child!

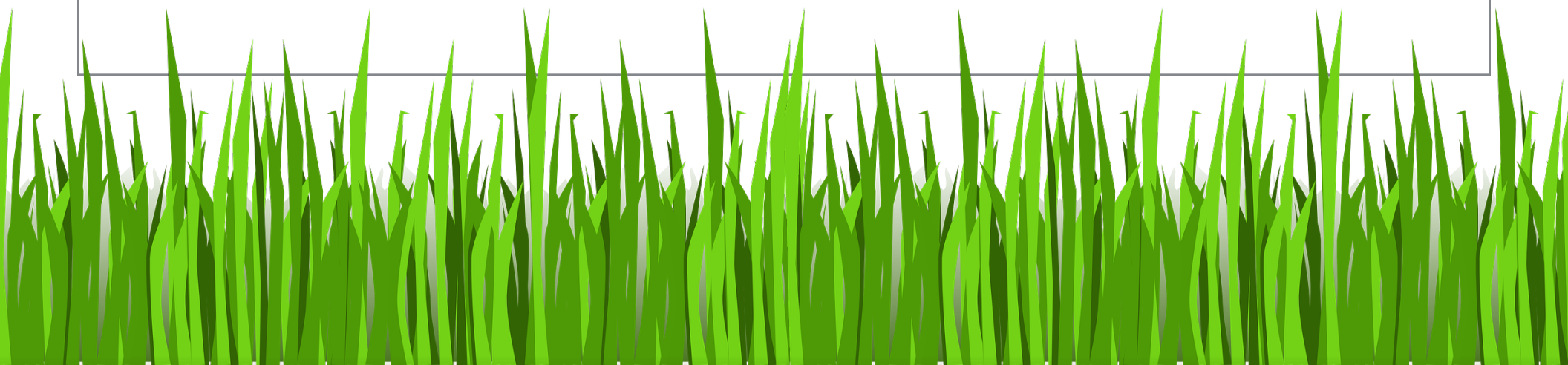
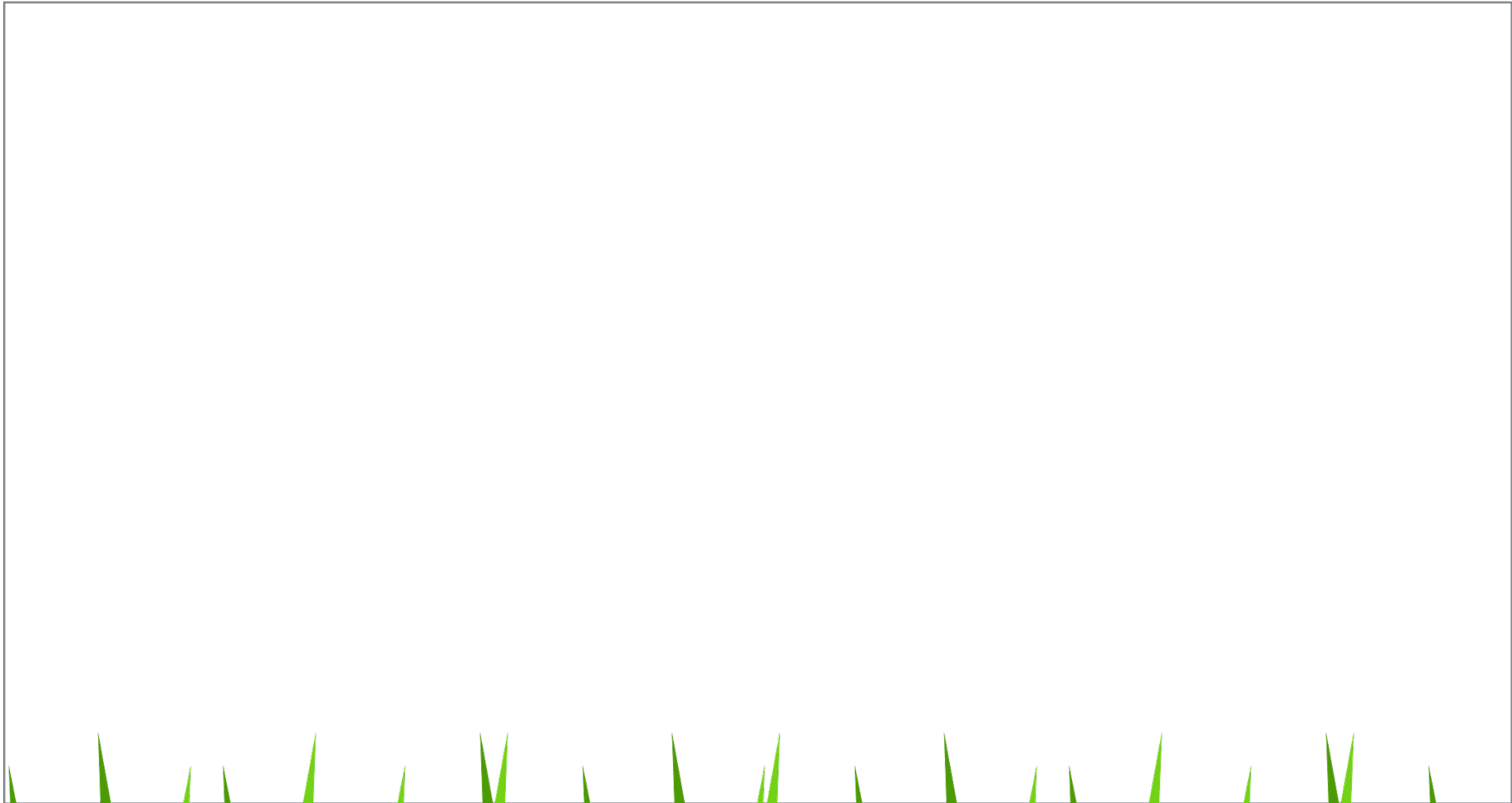


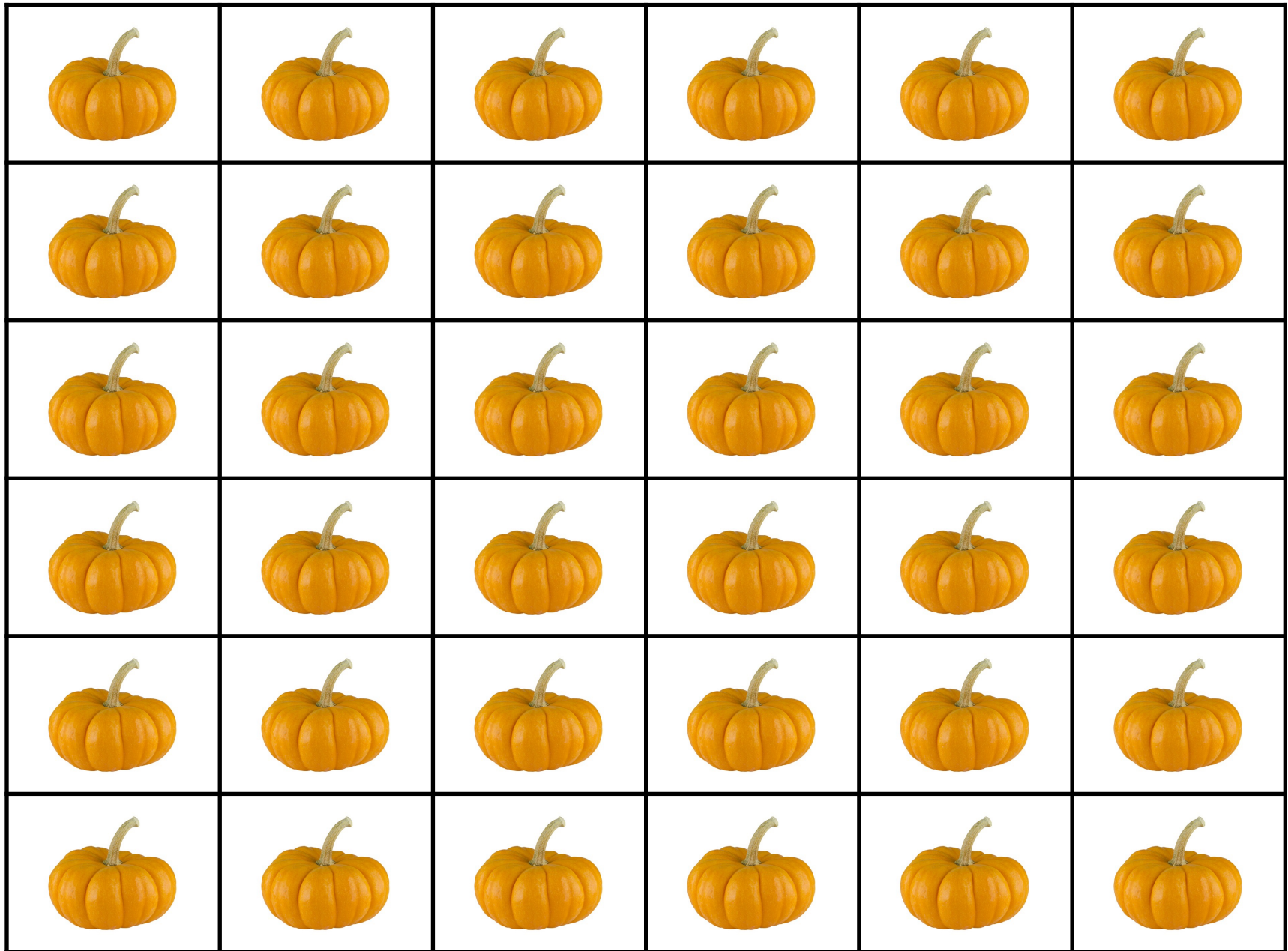
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