

“KANGA CLOTH” PRINT— A CRAFT FROM EAST AFRICA

Materials: large paper
 small scrap paper
 gecko and leaf rubber stamps
 various stamp pads

Kangas (“kong-uhz”) are large pieces of fabric used by women in Africa for many purposes. A Kanga can be used as a cover-up, a bag, or even a baby carrier. East African Kanga cloth is often decorated with animals and repetitive designs. Some designs are linear and others are circular.

Decorate your own “Kanga cloth” with lizards to remind you of the determined gecko in the story!

1. Choose a piece of paper.
2. For a mottled background, crumple a piece of scrap paper and use it to stamp all over your “Kanga.”
3. Carefully ink a stamp and use it to stamp a border around your paper.
4. Stamp a design in the center of your paper.