## Milton Hershey Quilt Activity

**Grade levels**: K-3

Standards: Pennsylvania Academic Standards For Reading, Writing, Speaking, and Listening

1.5.3 B, 1.6.3 E

Pennsylvania Academic Standards For History: 8.2.3.A

Common Core: W.1.2, W.3.8

**Materials:** Milton Hershey Quilt Template copied on tagboard – 1 per student

Crayons Glue Scissors

#### **Teacher Background:**

This lesson was designed to create a display for which students can share the knowledge they learned about Milton Hershey while visiting The Hershey Story. Students will be using facts they learned about Milton Hershey to create a quilt square. Teachers can use the facts provided in the lesson or have students generate their own based on their experiences. Teachers can then put all the squares together to create a Milton Hershey quilt display.

### **Lesson Plan**

**Essential Question**: What made Milton Hershey such an amazing individual?

#### **Activating Strategies:**

Step 1 – Review with students the experience they had while visiting The Hershey Story.

Step 2 – Read the essential question to the class and have students share their thoughts together as a class.

Step 3 – Review with students what a quilt is and tell them they will each be making their own Milton Hershey quilt square with facts they have learned about his life.

### **Teaching Strategies:**

Step 1 - Draw a quilt template on the board or butcher paper for students to see (see template in lesson plan to copy.)

Step 2 – Give directions to students on how to complete their square. Milton Hershey's name and picture should go in the center diamond. Students should then put an important fact about Milton Hershey's life in each of the four triangles in the four corners of the square.

Step 3 – Have students then color and decorate their square.

### **Summarizing Strategies:**

Have students share their squares and the facts they chose with the class. Teachers can then collect and use for a display.

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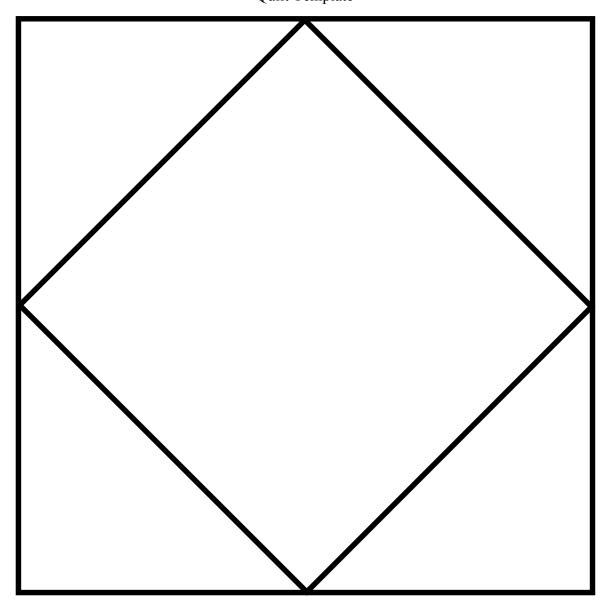
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# Milton Hershey Quilt Facts

| Milton Hershey was born on September 13, 1857.  | Milton Hershey married Catherine Sweeney in 1898.   |
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| Milton Hershey failed several times before he became a successful candy maker.                        | The Hershey Chocolate Company made a chocolate bar that was sent to soldiers during World War II.         |
| Milton Hershey and his wife never had children.   | The Hershey Chocolate Company made mint-flavored gum in 1915.   |
| Milton Hershey's first success was The Lancaster Caramel Company.                                     | Hershey Park opened on April 27, 1907.  |
| Milton Hershey created the town of Hershey so his employees would have a nice place to live and work. | Milton Hershey built his chocolate company in Hershey because there were a lot of dairy farms nearby.     |
| Milton Hershey opened a school for orphan boys in 1909.   | Hershey Kisses were first made in 1907.   |
| Hershey had a trolley system so Milton Hershey's employees could easily get to work.                  | Milton Hershey was born in a farmhouse a mile away from where he would later build his chocolate factory. |
| The Hershey Chocolate Company was formed in 1894 and the factory was completed in 1905.               | Milton Hershey attended school in a one-room schoolhouse.   |
| Milton Hershey died on October 13, 1945. He was 88 years old.   | Milton Hershey was the first to sell milk chocolate bars made with fresh milk.                            |
| The Milton Hershey Foundation funded the M.S. Hershey Medical Center in Hershey.                      | The Hershey Company sold soap made from cocoa butter from 1938-1970.                                      |

# Quilt Template



Milton Hershey

