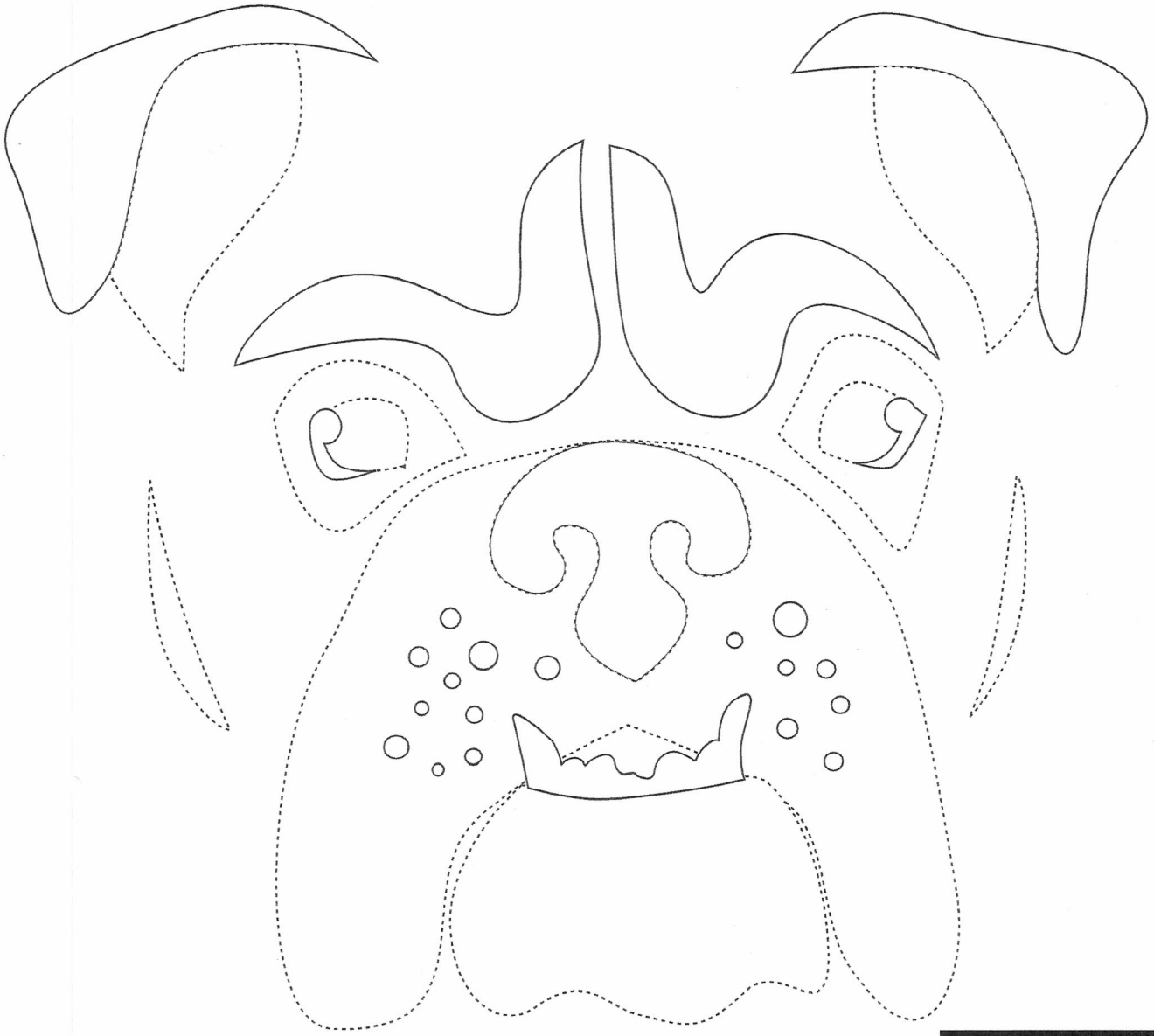
100 Days of Holidays

Bulldog Pumpkin Stencil

1. Clean out the pumpkin, scraping the flesh thinnest in the region in which you'll carve the design. Use a photocopier to enlarge or reduce the pattern to fit the pumpkin.
2. Attach the pattern to the pumpkin with tape.
3. Use a pin to make closely spaced pin pricks along the stencil lines, piercing the paper.
4. Use thin crafts, linoleum, or wood-cutting knives to carve the pattern. Cut completely through solid lines. Simply peel away skin within dotted lines (known as "etching") to enhance features. You may want to etch before you carve to avoid breakage.



cut completely through

scrape skin away

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