DIWALI PAPER LANTERN

DIY Paper Lantern

Step-by-Step Instructions

©hinduparentsnetwork

Materials Needed:

1 sheet of colored paper (A4 size)

Scissors

Glue stick or tape

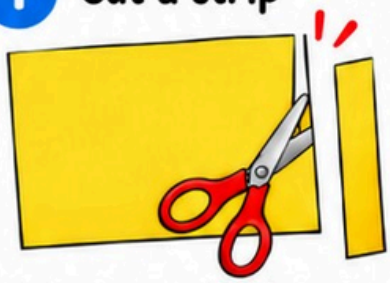
Pencil

Ruler

Extra paper strip (for handle)

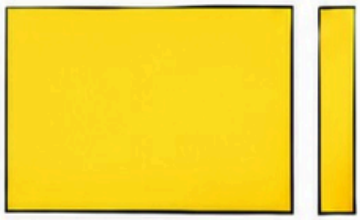
Stickers, markers or glitter (for decoration)

1 Cut a strip



Cut a narrow strip from one long side of the paper (for the handle).

2 Set aside the strip



Keep the large piece for the lantern and set the strip aside for later.

3 Fold in half

Fold the large piece of paper in half (lengthwise).

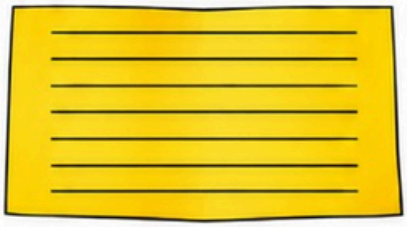
4 Draw guide lines

Use a pencil to draw evenly spaced straight lines from the folded edge, stopping before the opposite edge.

5 Cut the slits

Cut along the lines from the folded edge, stopping before the opposite edge.

6 Open the paper



Open the paper to see the slits.

7 Roll and glue

Roll the paper into a cylinder and glue or tape the short edges together.

8 Add the handle

Attach the strip to the top as a handle (glue or tape).

9 Decorate your lantern

Decorate with stickers, markers or glitter!

Paper Diya

Materials:

- 2 paper strips (3 x 29 cm)
- red paper
- yellow paper
- glue
- scissors
- pencil

1

Cut 2 paper strips, each 3 x 29 cm.

2

Glue the ends together to make an L shape.

3

Fold one strip over the other.

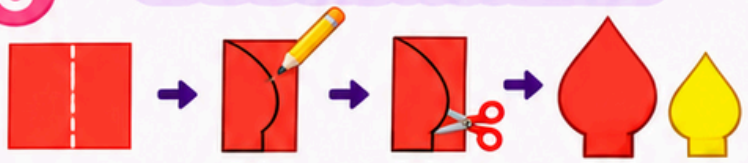
4

Keep folding back and forth to make a stack.

5

Apply glue inside the last fold, as shown. Press and hold to close the stack.

6 Make the flame shapes (2 sizes).



- Fold the square in half.
- Draw a half flame with a tab along the folded edge (to make it symmetric).
- Cut the half drawn flame.
- Open to get 2 full flames (red – bigger, yellow – smaller) with a tab.

Note: Repeat the same steps with yellow paper to make a smaller flame.

7

Glue both flames together (red on the back, yellow on the front).

Fold the tab backwards.

8

Glue the folded tab to the top. Your paper diya is ready!

©hinduparentsnetwork