

Paper Lanterns

Make a paper lantern... You could make this in Christmas colors or use oriental papers to decorate for an international party for kids.

Instructions:

1. Fold the paper in half, on the solid line.
2. Cut along the dotted lines.
3. Put glue on one short side, then roll the paper to make a “tube like shape” to connect the two short sides together. Hold until the firmly attached (stapling in faster!).
4. Make a loop shape with the handle and glue it to the top of the lantern.
5. Shape the lantern by putting it up on its base . Press it down a bit until it has more of a curve. Lighter weight papers will curve more easily.

Note: To make different looking lanterns, try to cut paper slits that are closer together than the patterns given.

These lanterns are for decorative purpose only. (If you choose to sit them on a table instead of hanging them, you could put battery operated tea light candles inside so they will give a glowing effect.) Remember, paper is flammable, so real candles are NOT recommended.





