



Make a Lantern!

Learn:

The Chinese Winter Festival takes place on the winter solstice--the day with the shortest amount of sunlight all year! Lanterns are a fun way to bring light and cheer to darker, chilly winter days.

Materials:

Printed copies of the lantern template	Scissors
Crayons, markers, or colored pencils	Tape or a stapler

Instructions:

- Print a lantern template. Chose either the dragon or the blank lantern.
- Decorate the paper with colors and patterns.
- Cut out the handle. (The strip of paper at the edge of the page).
- Fold the paper in half (hotdog style) along the solid line.
- Cut slits into the fold by cutting along the dotted lines.
- Do not cut the edges of the paper.
- Unfold the paper and tape the two shorter edges of the paper together.
- Tape or staple the handle inside the top of the lantern.

handle

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