

Homemade Paper Garlands

Have fun drawing your favourite Christmas characters and turning them in to garlands to hang around your home!

You will need: 1 sheet of A4 paper, Scissors, Coloured Pencils or Pens

Method

1) Fold an A4 sheet in half lengthways, then cut down the middle so you are left with 2 long thin strips.

Fold one paper strip in half horizontally, then fold in half again.

3) Unfold your paper strip and bend the far right square back on itself to create a zig zag fold of paper.

4) Fold each crease back so you are left with a small 'book' shape, and lay the paper down so that the closed creased edges are on the right hand side, with the open edges on the left.

5) This is where it gets creative! Draw your characters on the paper, filling most of the space, making sure to leave a "join" on the right hand side of the paper. This is the connecting part of your garland.
(See diagram opposite)

6) Cut out your designs, making sure not to cut through the "joining" gap on the right hand side. Once you have cut out your shape, unfold to reveal your very own hanging garland!

7) Now see what other characters you can create with the second paper strip! Once finished, colour in your designs before they are displayed!

