

Paper Snowflake Decorations



You will need:

- 6 pieces of paper, each the same size
- Scissors
- Stapler
- Sticky tape
- (Optional) Double-sided sticky tape
- String



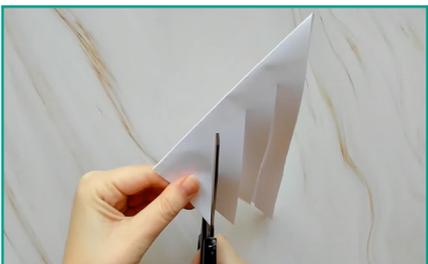
1) First, take a corner of your paper and fold it at 45 degrees until it reaches the opposite edge of the paper.



2) Cut away the excess rectangle to the side of the triangle you just folded. You should be left with just the folded triangle. You will not need the rectangular piece of paper.

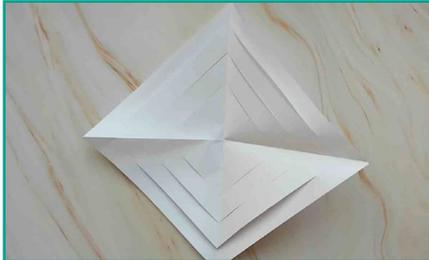


3) Find the longest side of your triangle. Bring the two corners that touch this longest side together. Fold to create a smaller right-angled triangle.

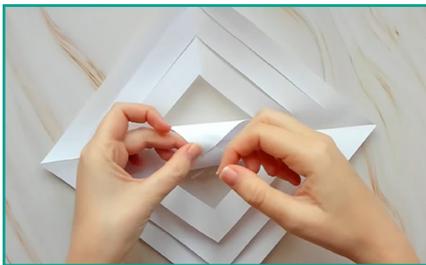


4) Hold your triangle so the edge which is two layers of folded paper faces you. Now use your scissors to cut three lines. The lines should be parallel to the longest side of the triangle. The lines should go from the folded edge and stop just before the opposite edge.

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5) Open up your paper square, it should look like this.



6) Take the centre cuts and bring the two points together in a loop. Secure with a small piece of tape.



7) Turn your paper square over.



8) Now take the next two cut strips and bring the corners together, but this time in the opposite direction. Secure with a small piece of tape.



9) Continue in this pattern. Move gradually out from the centre of the square, bringing the corner of the cut strips together at a point before securing with tape. Remember to flip the paper every time you move to the next strips of paper.

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10) When you have secured the four loops, you can then start on your next piece of paper.



11) You will need at least six of these paper structures to create a paper snowflake.



12) Gather all of your paper twirl structures. Hold them with pinched fingers by the point at the end.



13) Secure the pinched points with a staple. Ask an adult if you are unsure of this. Make sure your fingers are not near the stapler when in use.



14) Finally, use your stapler or double-sided sticky tape to attach all of the paper twirls together. Hold one of the outer strips from adjacent twirls together before attaching with tape or staples. This will help your snowflake keep an open structure.

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15) Add string to one of the points of your snowflake and choose where you would like to present it. These snowflakes look especially lovely in windows.

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