EID
LANTERN MAKING

Eid is the festival at the end of Ramadan. Ramadan is the month of fasting when Muslims give up eating and drinking during the day. It is also a time when Muslims pray and think of those less fortunate than themselves.

You will need: A pencil, A4 sheet of paper. You can have more paper, make more lanterns and string all together. felt tip pens, crayons or paint, ruler, glue, scissors and string.

* Fold a sheet of paper in half along the length. Cut a strip about 2cm wide from the edge, this will be used later as your lantern handle.

* Now, using a ruler, draw guide lines for where you are going to cut your strips later. These should be about 2cm apart running downwards from the fold line. Turn over so pencil marks are on the inside.

* Unfold your paper as it is time to get creative. Design and colour in your lantern. You can see we have used a moon and star shape all over our lantern.

* Now re fold in half along the width. Cut snips from the fold to about 2cm from the paper edge—do not cut all the way to the bottom of the piece of paper. When you have snipped all the way along the paper edge, unfold the paper and bend it into a cylinder with your colourful artwork on the outside.

* Glue your cylinder lantern to secure. Also, glue on the handle from the strip of paper.

* If you want you can repeat with more sheets of paper until you have lots of lanterns! Thread some string through the handles and hang. You may want to add a small piece of cello tape to secure each lantern in place along the string.

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