

# Chinese Lantern Craft

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# Chinese Lantern Instructions

Print the lantern template on colored paper. You may want to print on either red or gold paper, since red and gold are good luck colors according to the Chinese!

Fold paper in half along the dotted line.

Then cut along the solid lines, starting from the edge you have folded. Be sure to stop at the end of each solid line so you do not cut all the way to the edge of the paper.

Unfold your paper. Now curl it into a tall, narrow tube. The top and bottom of your tube should be created from the short sides of your paper.

Use tape or glue at both ends to hold the tube together.

Punch two holes - opposite from each other - at one end of your tube.

Insert a string through both holes. Then tie a knot in the string to create a loop for hanging your lantern. Alternately, use a pipe cleaner by inserting about 1/4 inch (about 1/2 cm) of both ends into each hole. Fold the pipe cleaner upwards to hold it in place.

If desired, suspend a little light source from the string inside your lantern to make it glow.

See my [Chinese Lantern](#) post at [Gift of Curiosity](#) for additional instructions and photos.

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