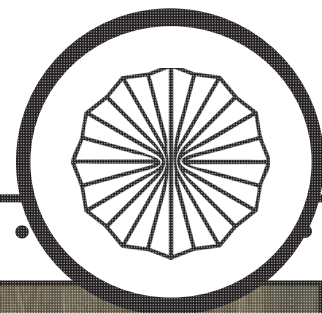
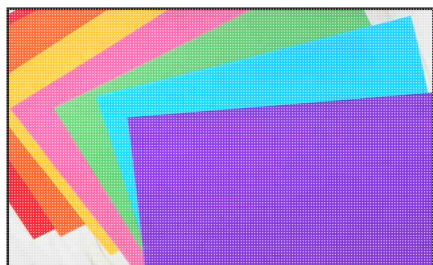


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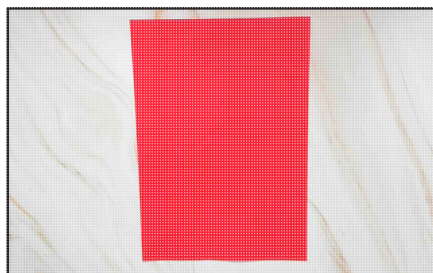


You will need:

- Colourful A4 paper
- Stapler
- Glue
- 2 x colourful card
- Print out of dragon head and tail (included at the end of this pack)



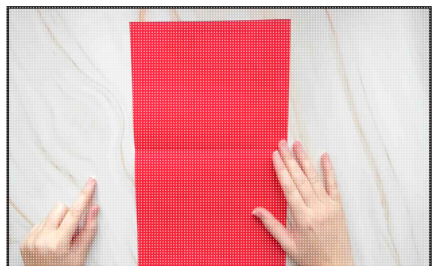
1) First, choose your paper colours. I am going to make a rainbow fan garland, but you can choose any colour scheme you like.



2) Take your first piece of paper and set it down in a portrait position.

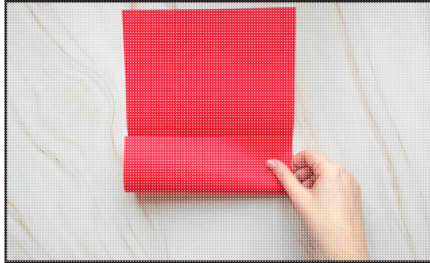
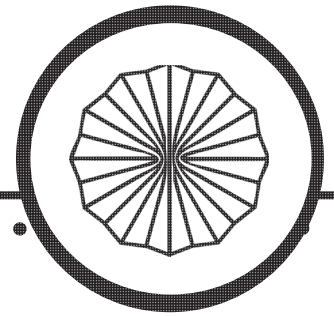


3) Now, bring the top and bottom edges together to fold the paper in half.



4) Next, open up the paper.

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5) Now, take the bottom edge of the paper and bring it to the centre line you just folded.



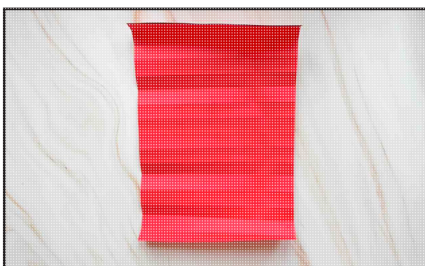
6) Then, bring the top edge of the paper to the centre line.



7) Now, repeat this action. Take the new top edge and bring it to the centre line. Then take the new bottom edge and bring it to the centre line.

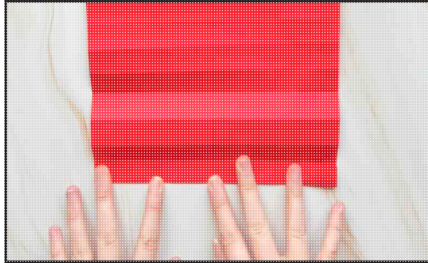
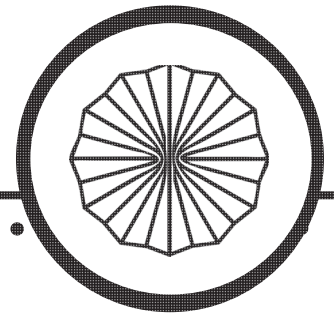


8) Repeat this folding action one final time.

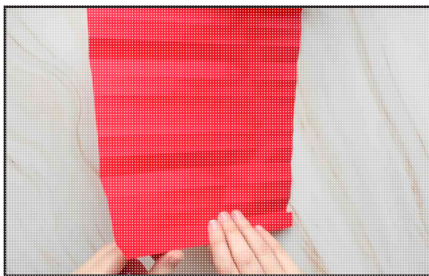


9) Next, unfold the paper to see the fold lines you created. These are our guiding fold lines. Each of these folds are equal in width. They will show us where to fold in the next step.

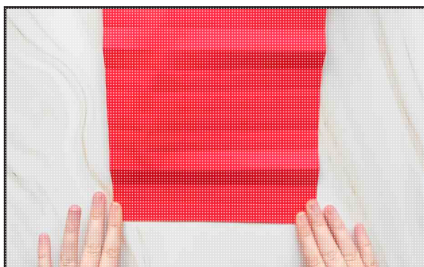
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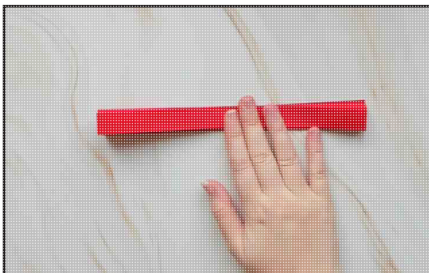
10) We are going to use a concertina fold up the whole length of the piece of paper. Start from the bottom. Fold the first strip away from you, using the guiding fold lines to get the correct width.



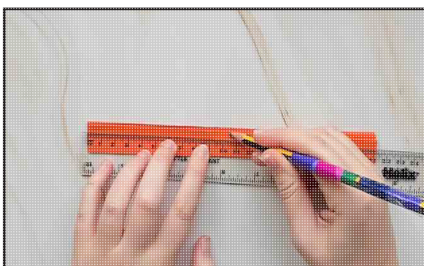
11) Now turn the whole sheet of paper over.



12) Fold the next strip from the bottom away from you as before. Because you have flipped the paper over, this strip will be folded in the opposite direction to the first.

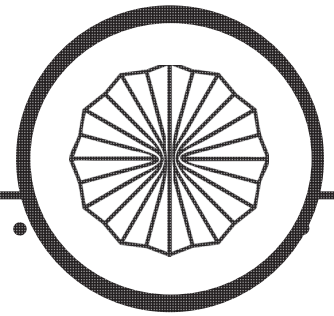


13) Repeat steps 10 - 12 until you have folded the entire sheet using a concertina fold.

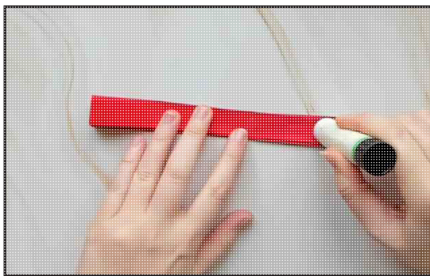


14) Next, get your ruler. Place it along the length of the top folded strip. Find the halfway point (for an A4 sheet this will be at 10.5cm) and mark it with a pencil.

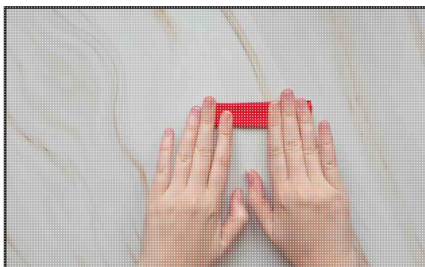
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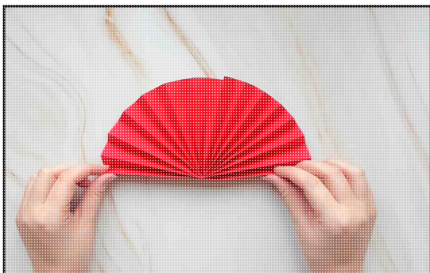
15) Ask an adult to secure this halfway point with a staple. Try to keep the staple perpendicular to the edge of the paper strips.



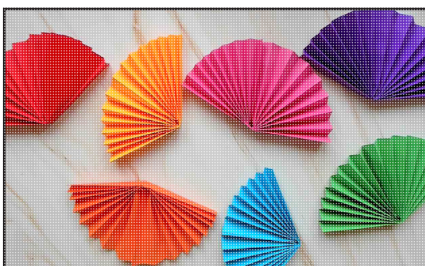
16) Next, apply glue to the top paper strip on one side of the staple.



17) Then fold the other half of the paper strips over and into the glue.

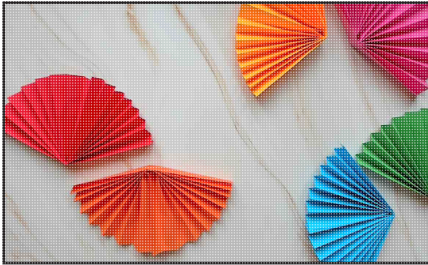
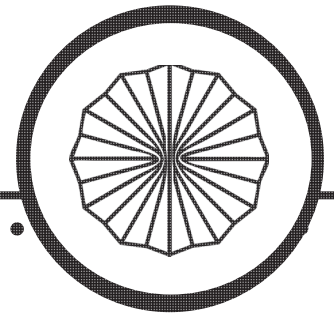


18) You can now open up your fan.

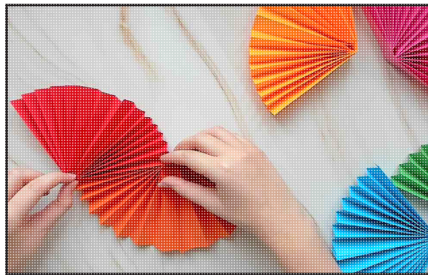


19) Repeat these steps for all of your pieces of colourful paper.

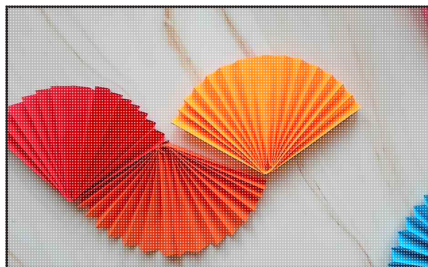
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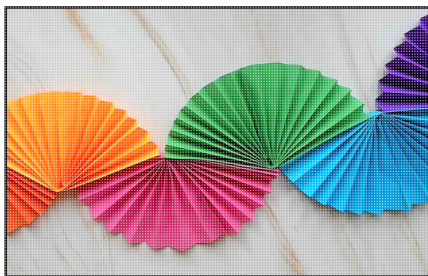
20) Now, get two fans you want to be next to each other in your garland. Position them so one has the curved fan facing upwards, and the other had the curved face facing downwards. You can now see the side where they need to be attached.



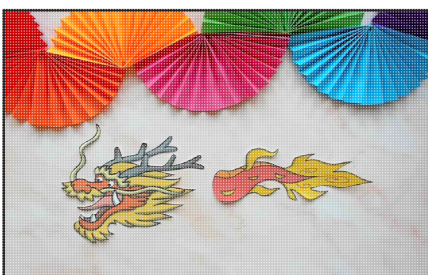
21) Use glue or double-sided sticky tape to attach the first two fans.



22) Then line up your next fan, with the curved fan facing upwards.

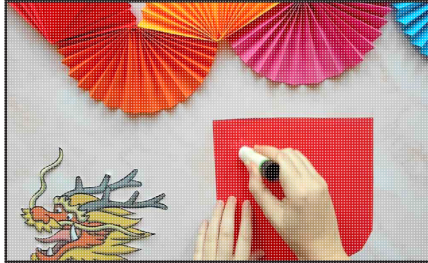
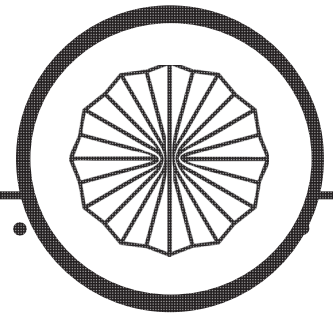


23) Repeat until you have a whole garland of colourful paper fans. Beautiful!

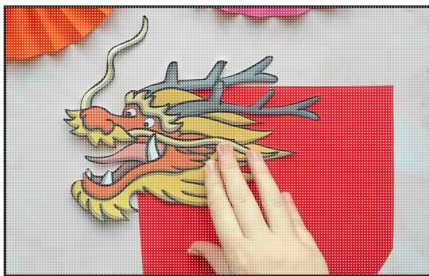


23) Now cut around your dragon head and tail. You can choose to draw and make these from paper if you wish.

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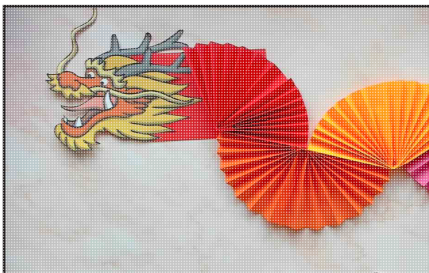
24) Now get a piece of card the same colour as the first fan in your garland. Add some glue on the left edge of the piece of card.



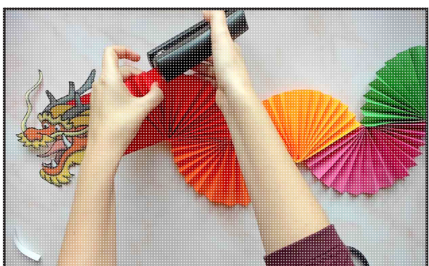
25) Glue the dragon's head to the edge of the card.



26) Now trim and cut the card so it is the same height as the dragon's head. Make sure to leave the strip of spare card to the right of the dragon's head.

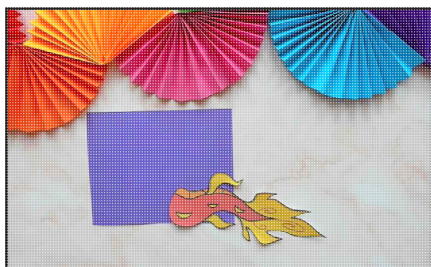
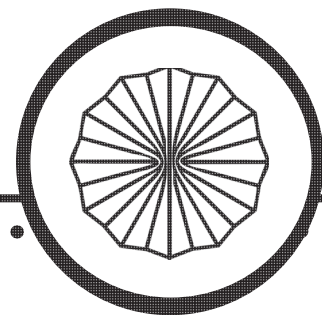


27) Place the dragon's head where you would like it to sit in the decoration. The extra card to the side of the dragon's head should slide under the concertina fan.

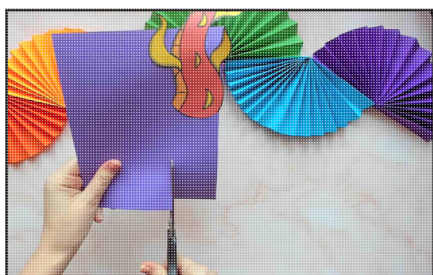


28) Ask an adult to use a stapler to attach the card to the concertina fan. Position the staples so they lie exactly on the fold lines of the concertina fan. This will help to hide them.

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29) Now repeat the process, this time on a piece of card which is the same colour as the last fan in the garland.



30) Make sure to leave excess card to the left side of the tail this time.



31) Ask an adult to staple the tail to the last fan in the garland. Again, try to keep the staples on top of fold lines so they are hidden in the concertina folds.



32) Last of all, you can choose to add some concertina legs to your dragon.

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