

Learning FUN!

Activity

Spin some fun with a homemade pinwheel! A timeless toy and always popular with children, this craft is a lovely springtime activity and good practice in following directions.



Playful Pinwheel

You'll Need:

T-11421 Dancing Stars Terrific Papers™

Wooden dowel, and push pins or straight pins.

Directions:

Using two sheets of Terrific Papers™, measure and cut 2½" off of one edge of each sheet (Fig. 1). Lay each small strip on top of the larger square so the edge of the smaller piece is flush with the edge of the larger piece (Fig. 2). This will create two 8½" squares with patterned edges on all sides. Glue the 2½" pieces into place, then glue the two 8½" squares back-to-back with designs showing on both sides. Fold this square in half, diagonally, in both directions and crease to create cut lines (Fig. 3).

Cut along each diagonal line, toward the middle, but do not cut all the way into the center. With the square laying flat, loosely fold every-other corner piece to the center of the shape, careful not to create the loops. Push a pin through the center of the pinwheel and into a wooden dowel. If the pinwheel doesn't spin, loosen the pin or move it around to widen the hole in the paper.

Fig. 1

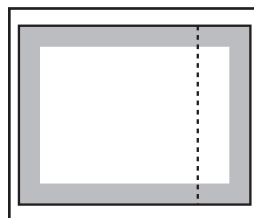


Fig. 2

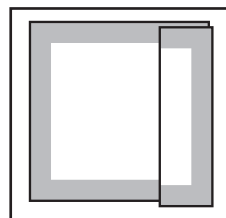


Fig. 3

