Paper Sunflower Craft Instructions

You will need:

- · A sheet of yellow paper
- Scissors
- · Hot glue gun or other quick-drying glue
- Brown card or a brown button
- · Green pipecleaner
- Sticky tape
- Extra green card for leaves





1) First cut your yellow paper into strips along the length of the paper. We used 10cm strips for our larger sunflower and 8cm strips for the smaller sunflower. You will need two strips of equal width which are the length of an A4 sheet.



2) Take one of the strips. Bring the two shortest edges together to fold the paper in half lengthways.



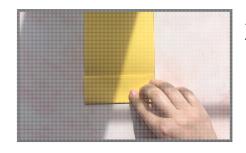
3) Release the fold.



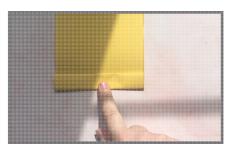
4) Now take one of the shortest edges of the paper and bring it to the centre fold line you just created. Fold in place.







5) Repeat this action, taking the same edge and folding it to the centre fold line.



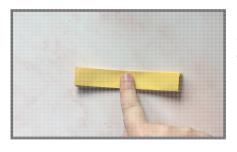
6) Repeat once more.



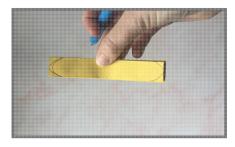
7) Then repeat these folds to the centre line with the other shortest edge of the paper.



8) Release all of the folds you have created so far. The fold lines you can see will be guides as you use a concertina fold up the whole length of the paper.



9) Starting at one of the shortest edges of the paper, fold the paper using a concertina fold. Fold the first strip over. Then turn the whole piece of paper over. Now fold the next strip in the opposite direction. Continue up the whole length of the paper.



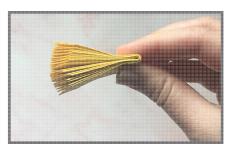
10) Now draw two curved edges like the tip of a petal at either end of the folded strips.







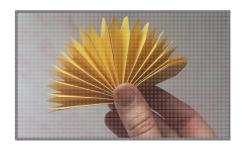
11) Carefully, cut around these curves through all of the layers of paper.



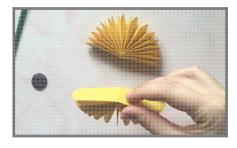
12) Next, bring the two curved edges together to fold the strips of paper in half lengthways.



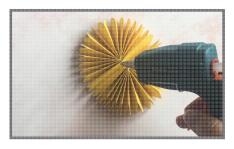
13) Open up the strips and ask an adult to apply hot glue or other quick-drying glue to one of the halves. Then fold the strips again so the opposite half sticks into the glue.



14) You have created one half of your sunflower. Repeat these steps with the other strip of yellow paper you cut earlier.



15) Once you have the two halves ready, add a strip of glue along the flat surface of one of the halves and match it up to the other half to create the full sunflower.



16) Next, add a dab of glue to the centre of the petals. Then place your brown button or brown circle of card into the glue to secure.





17) To attach your pipecleaner stem, turn the flower over. Then use glue to add a circle of card to the back of the sunflower. Once this is secure in place, you can tape the end of your pipecleaner to the back of this card circle.



18) To add a leaf to your sunflower, cut out a leaf shape with a long rectangular end.



19) Wrap the long rectangular end around the pipecleaner and use glue to attach the end of this strip to the back of the leaf.



20) You have created a beautiful DIY sunflower decoration using paper. Try out different sizes, colour and centres to find the perfect sunflower to bloom all year round.

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