

Daisy

Materials: Colored construction paper, scissors, ruler, pencil, glue stick, tape, eraser topper (optional)

Steps:

- 1) Choose a paper color for your daisy flower and cut a strip measuring about 11 x 2½ inches.
- 2) Using a ruler, draw a ½-inch wide border down the length of the paper. This ½-inch border is the “no cut zone.”
- 3) Working perpendicular to the border, make a series of thin, fringy, scissor cuts (approximately ¼-inch wide).
Tip: Fold the paper in half (short end to short end). Cutting doubles saves time (just add an extra cut at the center crease when you open the fold).
- 4) Use a ruler to mark the first couple of cuts as a size guide (smaller strips are preferable to larger ones). It’s ok if the strips are not exactly the same.
- 5) Cut fringe down the entire length of your paper (avoid the “no cut zone”).
- 6) Take your completed paper strip (fringe side up) and tape the “no cut zone” to the pencil (just beneath the eraser).
- 7) Roll the entire strip around the pencil (tightly), overlapping each layer evenly so that the fringe petals are the same height.
- 8) Tape or glue to secure the end. Let dry if glued.
- 9) Gently push the daisy petals down to create a fuller blossom. Add a colorful eraser topper if available.
- 10) Now you can decorate your stem (see Stem and Sepal).

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