Sepals are modified leaves that develop at the top of the stem and protect the flower bud.

**Materials:**
Colored construction paper, ruler, glue stick, tape, scissors, sepal template (provided)

**Sepal Instructions:**

1. Choose a paper color for your flower sepal.
2. Cut out a sepal from the template provided. You can also make your own template or draw freehand. The sepal should be about 2 x 2½ inches.
3. Trace or draw the sepal shape on your piece of paper. Space them out for easy cutting. **Tip:** Fold your paper in half before tracing or drawing. Cutting doubles saves time!
4. Cut out sepal shapes.
5. Tape the sepal onto the pencil at the base of your flower (spiky side up). Tightly wrap the sepal around the pencil and tape or glue to secure the end.
6. Fold down spikes for a fuller sepal.

**Sepal Template:**

![Sepal Template Image]
**Stem**

Stems support the flower and transport nutrients and water.

**Materials:**
Colored construction paper, ruler, glue stick, tape, scissors

**Sepal Instructions:**
Remember, if you are using colorful pencils or markers, you can choose to skip this step.

1. Choose a paper color for your stem and cut a piece measuring about 1½ x 5 inches.
   **Tip:** If using wider or shorter markers as the stem, adjust the paper size to fit your needs.
2. Tape the long edge of the paper onto the pencil.
3. Wrap the paper tightly around the pencil.
4. Tape or glue to secure the closing edge
   **Tip:** If using a pencil, leave room near the point so you can sharpen it. Decorative or floral tape can also be used to wrap the pencil stem.

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Enjoy your completed bouquet!

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*Studies of Peonies, Martin Schongauer, about 1472–1473.*