

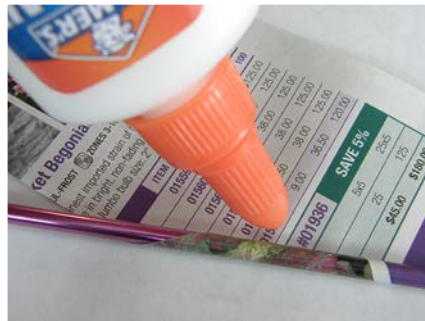
1. Cut strips of paper (e.g., 2½" wide from magazines, newspapers or wrapping paper).



2. Make paper tubes by rolling paper strips on knitting needles (e.g., 14" size 6 or 4mm) or thin dowels. Start rolling the paper with a sharper angle (~30°) pointing toward the short side of the paper strip as shown.



3. Anchor start of the rolling with a small dab of white glue.



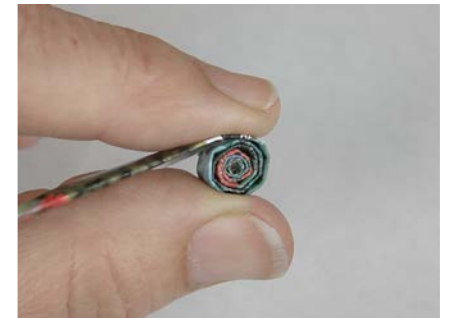
4. Glue the end of the paper tube with a bit of white glue.



5. Flatten the paper tubes.



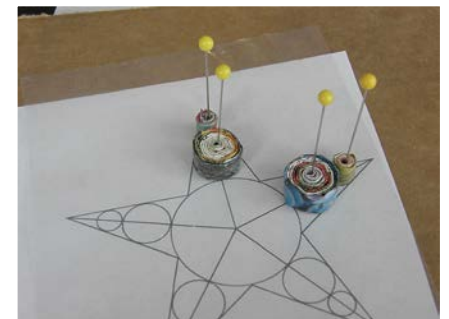
6. Use the flattened paper tubes as is or roll into discs of desired size.



6. Additional paper tubes can be attached by sliding one tube's end over another. Use a dab of white glue to hold tube ends together.



7. Assemble the pieces of your ornament over plastic to keep the glue off your pattern. Quilters pins pushed into corrugated cardboard can help to hold your pieces in place.



8. Use small dots of white glue to tack the pieces together.



9. Once all the pieces are tacked together, paint over the whole piece with white glue. Once dried, paint the other side as well. This should strongly bond all the pieces together. NOTE: Modge Podge, Tacky Glue and acrylic medium/gel will also work.



10. Varnish your piece (e.g., water-based polyurethane or acrylic varnish)



11. Finish your piece with ribbon or cord.



There are many other things that can be done with these paper tubes. Use your imagination and have fun!! Here are some images from a Google search.

