

Pyramid ornament

Age:5-7 Group size: 4-8

Duration: 25 mins



Preparation time: 25 mins

Resources

- Triangle/pyramid template
- Sticky stars/pictures from old cards
- Used wrapping paper
- Coloured card
- Smaller triangle template
- Pencils
- Scissors
- Glue



Preparation

You need to draw an isosceles triangle

template as the basis for the pyramid. For younger children you may wish to turn the template into the net of the pyramid (see below). To draw an isosceles triangle you need to rule a baseline that is an even number of centimetres long. In the photographed example the base of the triangle is 8cms. The other 2 sides are 11cms long. Make a mark at each end of the baseline and in the middle (the 4cms mark). Rule a long straight line up from the middle mark. Take the ruler and place it at one edge of the baseline, slide the ruler so that it hits the vertical mid line



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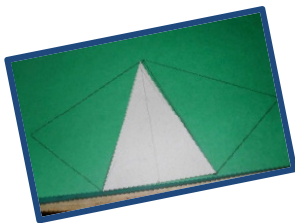


at 11cms then rule it off. Do the same on the other side. Make a smaller triangle with a 6cms baseline and 2 x9cms lines. Cut the wrapping paper into pieces to fit the smaller triangle and cut the card to fit the larger triangle plus 2 more attached to it.

Activity

Take a piece of card and put the large triangle template in the middle with the bottom line on the edge of the card.

Draw around it. Take the template and place the right hand edge so that it matches exactly with the left edge of the triangle you drew. Draw around it. Repeat with the right hand side of the first triangle.



Cut out the net of the pyramid. Choose 3 different types of wrapping paper. Draw around the smaller triangle template on each one and cut out. Stick the smaller triangles on each of the three large triangles. Make folds where the outer triangles join the middle one to make the pyramid.

Decorate with sticky stars, old Christmas card pictures. Stick a star on top. Write a greeting on the computer, print it out and stick it on one of the sides.

