

# Paper Lanterns

## *Materials:*

- 1 sheet Construction paper
- Scissors
- Tape
- Black marker or crayon
- Ruler

## *How to Make It:*

Lay the construction paper on the table in landscape format [that means the longest side closest to you].

Measure about 1-inch from the side with your ruler, and cut off this strip. Set aside. This strip will be your handle.

Take the sheet and fold it in half length-wise, then draw a light pencil line about 1" in from the open side.

With your scissors, cut strips that start at the folded edge and end at the lightly drawn line.

Now open the sheet of paper with the longest side closest to you, and draw a face or decoration with marker or crayon.

Roll up the paper in a tube, with the face on the outside.

Tape top and bottom ends with tape. Stand the lantern up and tape the handle in place.

Gently push down from the top to make the strips pop out. Use your fingers to squeeze the crease a bit. This will help your lantern keep its shape.

