

THE FAMILY SUNDAYS RUBIN AT HOME



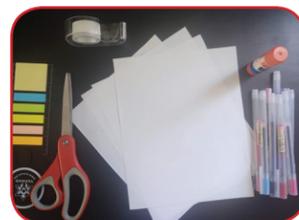
FLYING DIYAS

ABOUT

During Diwali, the Hindu festival of lights, families decorate their homes, streets, and temples with glimmering lamps called diyas. These diyas celebrate the spiritual victory of good over evil and bring light to the darkest nights of the year. Bring the brightness of diyas into your own home!

MATERIALS

1. Paper
2. Markers, colored pencils, or another material to draw with
3. String or paper
4. Glue or tape
5. Scissors



Vishnu
Nepal, 12th century

INSTRUCTIONS

- Step 1** Cut your paper into an approximately 2-inch wide strip.
- Step 2** Use markers to decorate the strip. Make it as colorful as you'd like!
- Step 3** Once you finish decorating the paper strip, begin folding it back and forth, like an accordion. Fold the entire strip until it's all crimped.
- Step 4** Take the two edges of your strip and fan them out into a U-shape so the two edges meet.
- Step 5** Use tape or glue to attach the two edges together. This will be your lamp.
- Step 6** Take another paper and cut it into a flame shape.
- Step 7** Color the flame-shaped paper like fire!
- Step 8** Take the flame and attach it to the flat top of the lamp with glue or tape.
- Step 9** Now take a string or a very thin strip of paper and thread it through the gap in your fanned-out lamp. Knot it together at the ends. If you're using paper, use glue or tape to attach the two ends.
- Step 10** Hang your paper diya in your window or anywhere in your home, and let it fly!

