

Lights Garland



Light up the dark winter nights!

Use this clever reimagining of the classic paper chain to decorate your home for the holidays.

Supplies:

- Ten (10) strips of multi-colored construction paper, one and a half inches wide by twelve inches long (1.5"x12")
- Five (5) strips of gray/black construction paper, one and a half inches wide by twelve inches long (1.5"x12")
- Length of twine approximately four feet (4') long
- Scissors
- Hole punch
- Tape



Instructions:

1. Cut a strip of gray/black construction paper in half, leaving you with two (2) strips that are one and a half inches wide by six inches long (1.5"x6") as in **Fig. 1**. Set one (1) half aside for later.
2. Fold the gray/black strip in half three (3) times. You will be left with eight (8) folds as in **Fig. 2**.
3. Using the folds from the previous step as you guide, crease the strip so each fold bends in the same direction (**Fig. 3**). The paper will naturally bend into a loop.
4. Close the loop by touching the two (2) ends together (**Fig. 4**). Overlap by one (1) rectangle and secure with tape (**Fig. 5**).
5. Punch two (2) holes in opposite sides of the loop as in **Fig. 6**. Set aside.
6. Fold one (1) colored strip in half (**Fig. 7**).
7. Punch a hole through both ends, as in **Fig. 8**.
8. Pinch the ends with your fingers, so the fold is facing down (**Fig. 9**). Push the fold against a flat surface until your pinched fingers also touch the surface (**Fig. 10**). Crease either side at the natural fold (**Fig. 11**). Your result should approximate a tear drop as in **Fig. 12**.
9. Top the colored strip with the gray/black loop so the punched holes line up (**Fig. 13**).



10. Thread the twine through all four (4) punched holes as in **Fig. 14**.

11. Repeat steps one through ten (1-10) until you have ten (10) lightbulbs on your garland.

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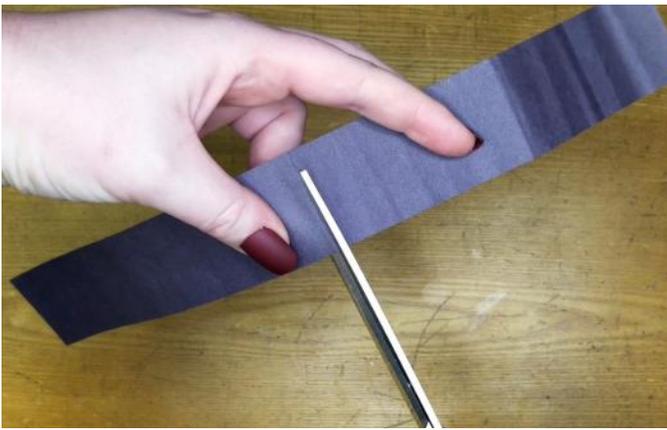


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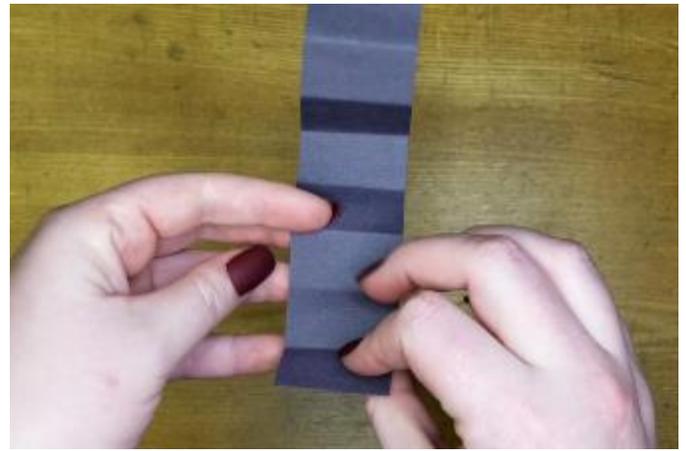


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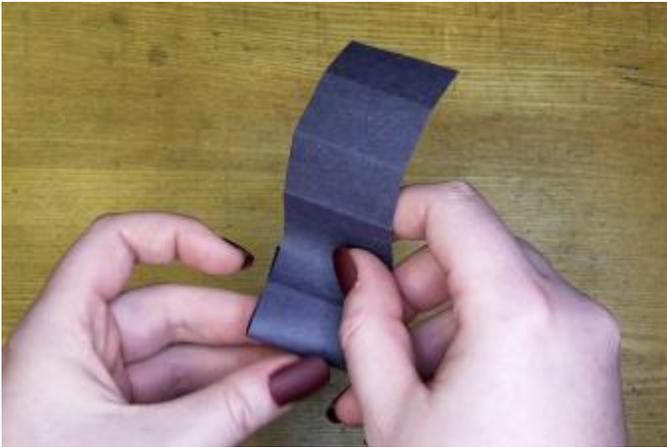


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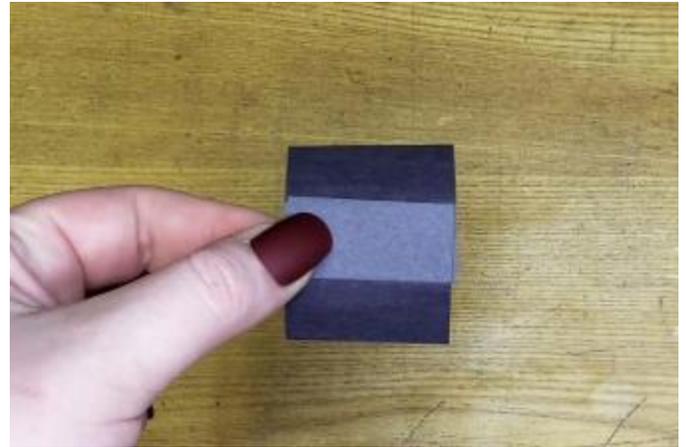


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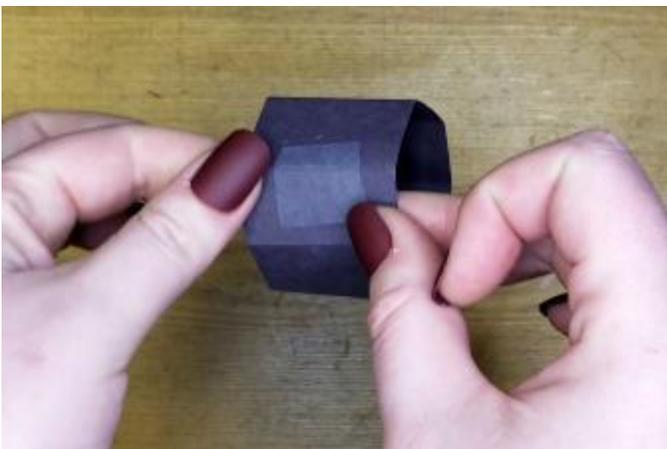


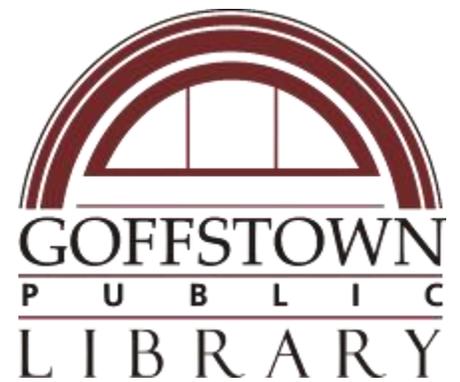
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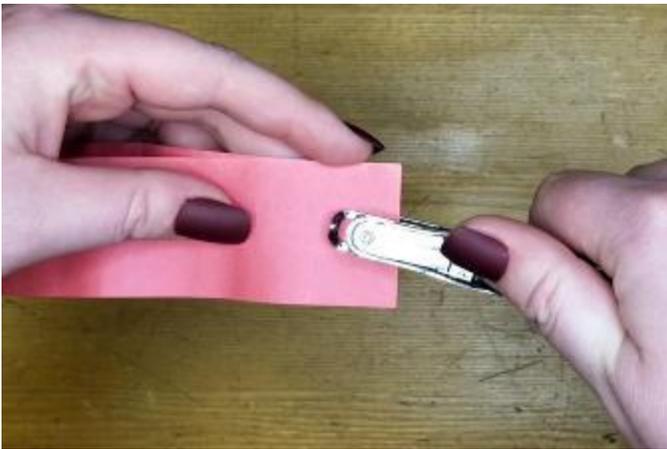


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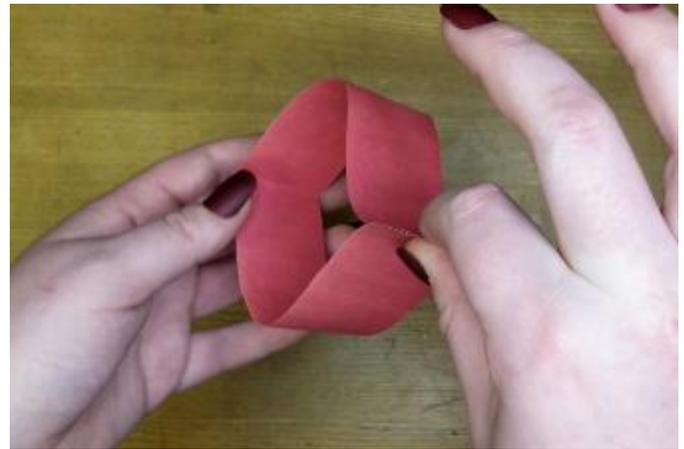


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Figure 12



Figure 13



Figure 14

