## **MAKE YOUR OWN SNOWFLAKES**



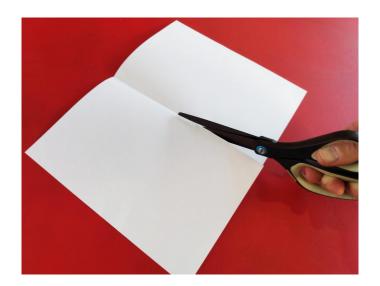
For this activity you'll need:

- White printer paper
- Liquid glue
- Scissors
- Stapler

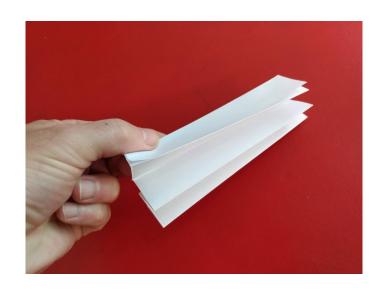
Instructions begin on the next page (adult supervision is suggested).

## **Instructions:**

1. Start by folding a sheet of white printer paper in half. Reopen it and then cut along the fold line to create two smaller sheets (you can make a snowflake from each sheet).



2. Using the first sheet, fold the paper's short end back and forth like an accordian, and as if you were going to make a paper fan. Each fold should be about an inch wide. If needed, you can cut off any extra paper once you've finished the last fold.



3. Now fold the fan-like sheet in half. Press down on the center crease to make it strong. Take the stapler and staple across the center fold to hold the folded sheet together.



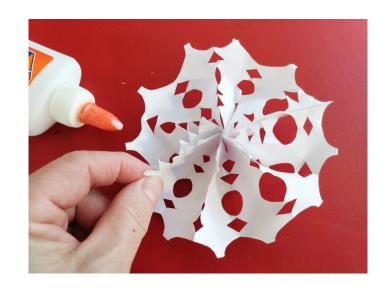
4. Next, take the scissors and slowly cut out shapes to form a design along one full edge of the stapled sheet. Be creative AND careful! Make semi-circles, triangles, any shape that you'd like. Then take the scissors and do the same to the other side. Try to copy the exact same pattern you used on the first side.



5. Take the liquid glue and place a few drops along the edge of half of the folded sheet, from the center stapler to end. Close the folded sheet and hold it tightly until the glue dries.



6. Once the glue has dried, carefully open your fan-folded sheet, opening it into a circle. The two ends should meet; dab some glue on the edge of this end and hold the ends together until they dry. Once dry, you can gently firm up the folds to make the snowflake more circular. You now have a snowflake!! Make a second snowflake with the second sheet of paper, and enjoy!!





Make as many snowflakes as you like! You can tie string on the ends and hang them in a window, on the tree, or from the ceiling. Happy Holidays!!