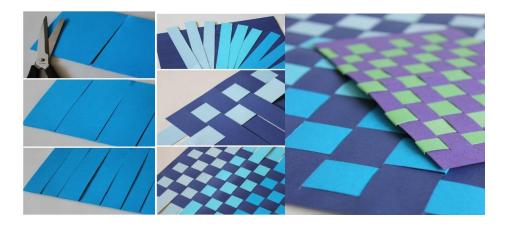


Paper Weaving Project

A fun, easy art activity and great fine motor skills activity. The results of are beautiful and lots of fun can be had trying to come up with new weaving patterns to create new and interesting designs.



SUPPLIES:

- 2 pieces of paper (or more) in contrasting colors—you do not have to have construction paper, you can use different types of scrap paper. Or use plain paper and color designs on them.
- A pair of scissors
- Adhesive tape

PAPER WEAVING INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Take your first piece of paper and fold it in half. Cut the folder paper in half but don't cut all the way through. Leave the last inch or so uncut.
- 2. Next, cut the two halves in half again so you now have four equal cut sections.
- 3. Cut the sections in half again, so now there are eight equal sections.
- 4. Unfold the first piece of paper and you now have a page that has evenly spaced slots for weaving.
- 5. Take a second piece of paper and cut it in the same way as the first, but this time cut it all the way through so that you are left with eight strips of paper.
- 6. Weave the strips of paper through the slots in the first piece of paper. To achieve checkerboard formation, start by weaving the first strip of paper under then over the slots. For the next strip of paper, alternate the pattern. Start the second strip by weaving under then over.
- 7. When you have finished weaving, fold the ends of the strips to the back and tape them down with adhesive tape.

*Visit <u>https://kidsactivitiesblog.com/47194/paper-weaving-craft-for-kids</u> for full tutorial, additional pictures.

Hang your paper weaving masterpiece up for display, use it to cover a recycled jar and create a pencil holder, or turn it into a pretty card. **Keep going:** Get creative and try weaving projects with shapes—hearts, animals, flowers, etc. Use cardboard and paper or fabric strips...so many ways to be creative!

