

Take & Make Paper Umbrellas!

Materials Provided:

- 1 Circle Template
- 14 Raindrop Templates
- White Construction Paper
- Light Blue Construction Paper
- Illusion Cord
- Pipe Cleaner
- Toothpick
- Clothespin

Additional Materials Needed:

- Pencil
- Scissors
- Glue
- Markers/Crayons/Paint



Directions:

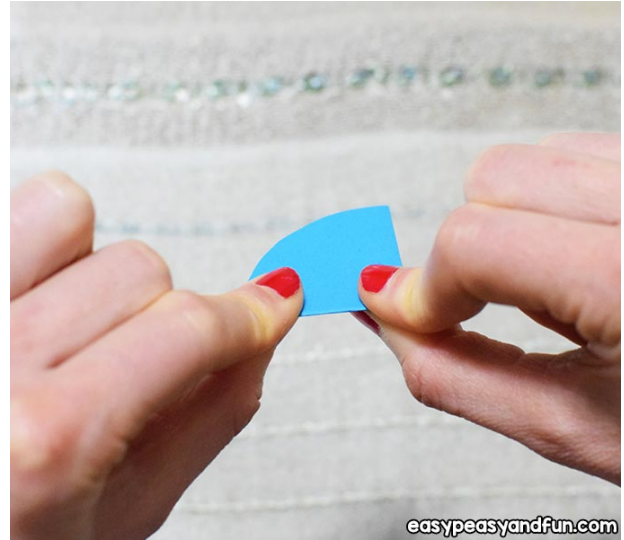
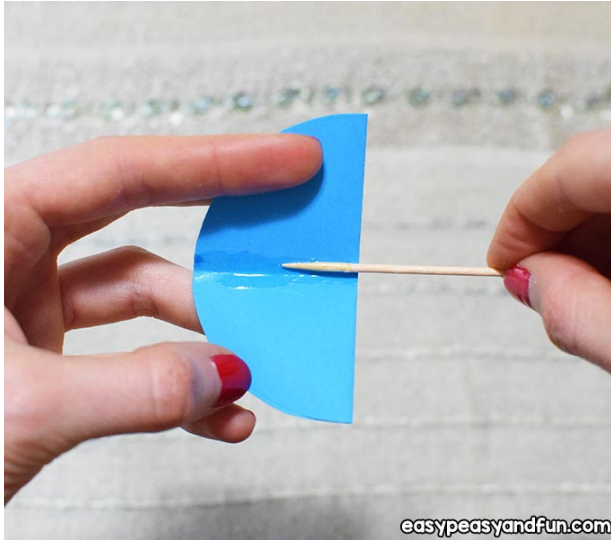
- Cut out your circle template and trace onto the white construction paper. You will need 9 or 10 circles per umbrella. You should have enough white construction paper to make enough circles for 2 umbrellas.
 - If you have colored construction paper at home that you would rather use for the umbrella that's fine too!
- Cut out the circles you just traced and decorate! If you're using the white construction paper we provided, be sure to color both sides of the paper!
- Fold each circle in half.
- Then fold each circle in half again. When done, the circle will look like a pizza slice!



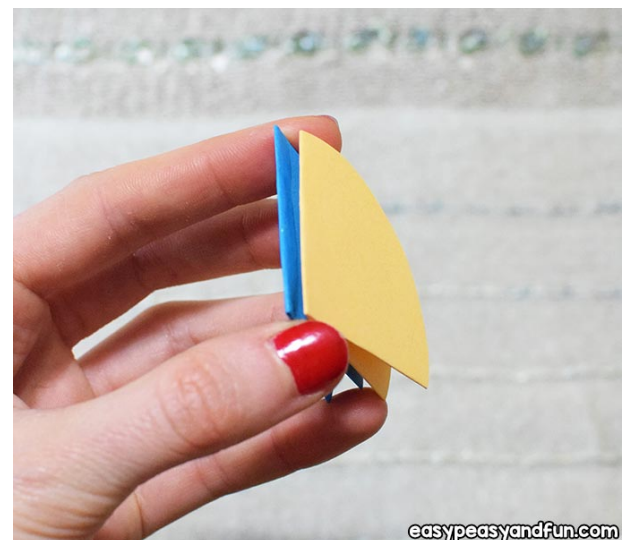
Thank you to the Easy Peasy and Fun blog for the idea!
<https://www.easypeasyandfun.com/how-to-make-paper-umbrellas/>
The blog features a video of how to make these umbrellas! Scan the QR Code to be brought directly to their site!



- Once all your circles are folded, open up that second fold and apply glue along the crease. The toothpick we provided will help with this!
- Fold the piece back down and press tightly until the glue dries or use the clothespin to hold it together while the glue dries.
- Repeat this step with all of your circles!

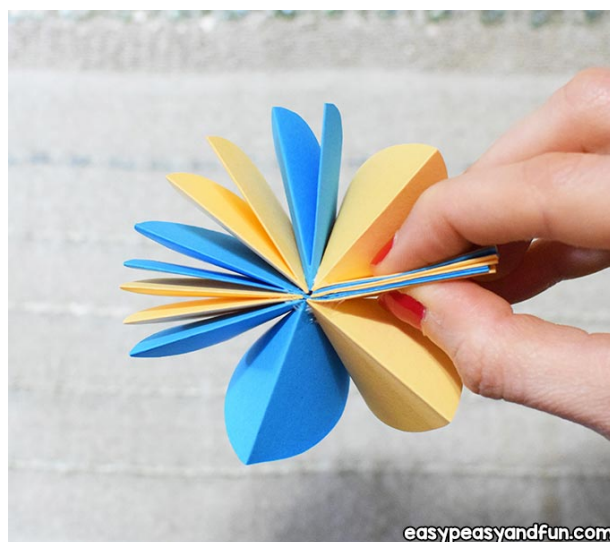


- Next apply glue to the outer edge of that folded crease and begin layering your folded circles.
 - Make sure that you are applying the glue to the correct folded crease so that you'll be able to open the umbrella in later steps!
- Continue gluing and stacking until you have 9-10 circles. Then press tightly with your fingers or the clothespin until the glue dries.





- Once your stack is completely dry, apply glue to the inner crease of the top circle and connect the ends.
- Again, hold tightly until the glue dries.



- Once dry, use your fingers to carefully widen each circle.



- Take the pipe cleaner and carefully put it through the hole in the center of the umbrella.
 - If you want to add a dab of glue to the end of the pipe cleaner before putting it through the hole you may.
- Shape it into a hook and cut.



- For the raindrops you can either use the provided ones as is (coloring them in blue) or as templates to trace onto the blue construction paper.
 - You can make as few or as many raindrops as you want. Your umbrella doesn't need any raindrops either if you prefer!
- Cut the illusion cord into smaller pieces - approximately 2-inches each. You'll need 1 piece for each raindrop.
- Cut out your raindrops from the construction paper, add a little glue to the tips and attach the cord.
- Finally glue the other end of the cord around the umbrella and allow to dry!



