

# Lantern making guide

Show you care for the Earth by creating your own special lantern to light your way this Earth Hour!

## What you will need

- Heavy paper or card (white or coloured)
- Printed template
- Child safe scissors
- Markers, coloured pencils, crayons and/or glitter pens
- Glue or sticky tape

## Instructions

### Step 1.

Print the template and cut the strip labelled 'cut 1' off along the lines and set it aside to be the lantern handle.

### Step 2.

Write your written pledge for the Earth longwise on the blank side of the paper. For example:

- I pledge to use less single-use plastic.
- I pledge to turn off appliances I am not using.
- I pledge to share my knowledge about climate change with others.

This will be the outside of your lantern. You can decorate the lantern with fun drawings, colours or pictures!

### Step 3.

Fold the piece of paper along the dotted lines in half lengthwise, along the line labelled 'fold'. Make sure you line up the edges. Your decorations should be folded on the inside now.

### Step 4.

Take the scissors and starting at the folded edge, cut through both layers of paper up the dotted line labelled 'cut 2'. You should stop cutting where the line stops and you reach the dotted line.

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## Step 5.

Carefully continue cutting all the other lines labelled 'cut 2' until you have cut all the lines.

## Step 6.

Once all strips are cut, gently unfold the piece of paper and refold it with the other direction lengthwise, so the lines from the printed paper will be hidden on the inside and your pledge will be on the outside. Make sure to press the crease of the fold flat again along all the strips.

## Step 7.

Now you are ready to put your lantern together!

## Assembling your lantern

### Step 1.

Simply roll the paper into a tube shape and tape the top edges together. On the printed paper, match side A to side B and tape.


### Step 2.

Make the handle. The strip you cut off in the beginning with the words 'make your own Earth Hour lantern' is the strip you should use for the handle. Using the handle strip, tape the handles to the inside of the lantern to form an arch over the top.

### Step 3.

Hang your lantern up so everyone can see your pledge to our environment and spread awareness for Earth Hour!

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 **CUT 1**

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FOLD LINE

Ⓐ TAPE A TO B

 **CUT 2**

 **CUT 2**

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 **CUT 2**

 **CUT 2**

 **CUT 2**

STOP CUTTING AT THIS LINE

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.ORG**