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WINTER SOLSTICE LANTERN!

The winter solstice, December 21, is the shortest day of the year. It is when the sun sets the earliest and the dark of night is with us the longest. This little lantern decoration will help add some sparkle to the long winter night!



Supplies in kit

- prepared lantern template
- pre-cut gold strips for lantern collar
- 1 glitter pipe cleaner
- strips of sticky gems

What you'll need from home

- glue stick, liquid school glue, tape, or stapler
- hole punch
- battery-operated tea light

Directions

1. Fold the template in half with the cutting lines showing, and cut on the vertical lines only up to the horizontal line.







2. Unfold the template, and bring the two sides together, making sure that the side with no printing is on the outside. Attach the sides with tape, glue, or staples.





3. Stand the lantern upright, and give it a gentle squash to open the sides. Add the gold trim on the top and bottom.







4. Use a hole punch to make two holes, one on each side of the top of the lantern. Add the glitter pipe cleaner by threading each end through a hole and twisting to secure it.





5. Use the sparkle stickers to decorate your and add a tea light to make your lantern extra special!



BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

Candle-Light Stories by Veronica S. Hutchinson The Shortest Day by Susan Cooper My Light by Molly Bang Moon Pops by Hui-Na Paek



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