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How to make a lantern for Loy Krathong Annual Festival of Light in Thailand



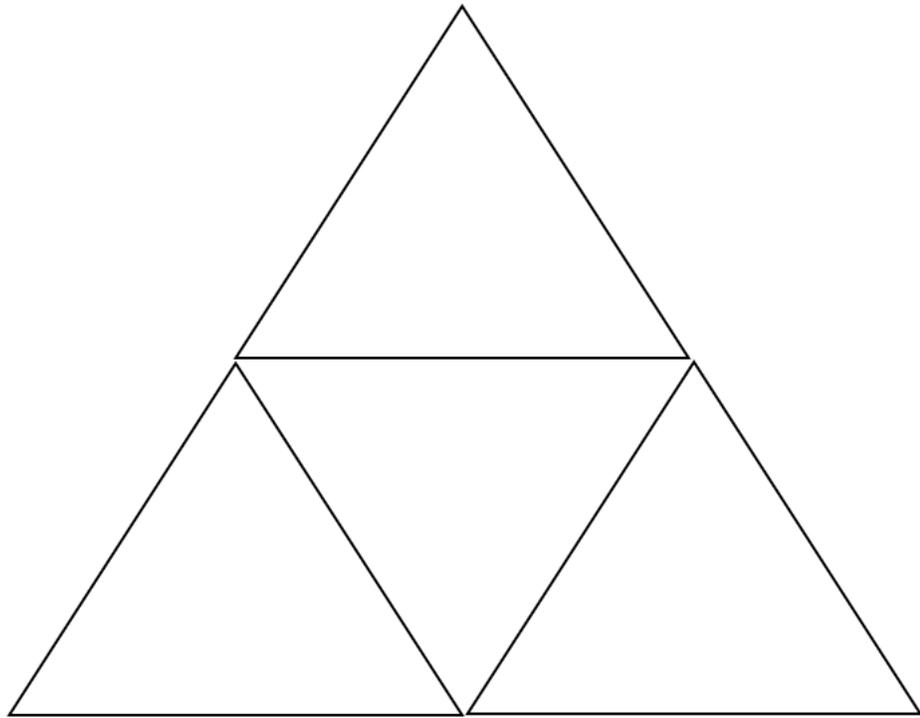
Materials

- Paper or thin card
- Template for lantern
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Sellotape
- Coloured Pens/pencils
- Stickers
- Craft punches
- String or cord
- Battery tea light
- Laminator (Optional)

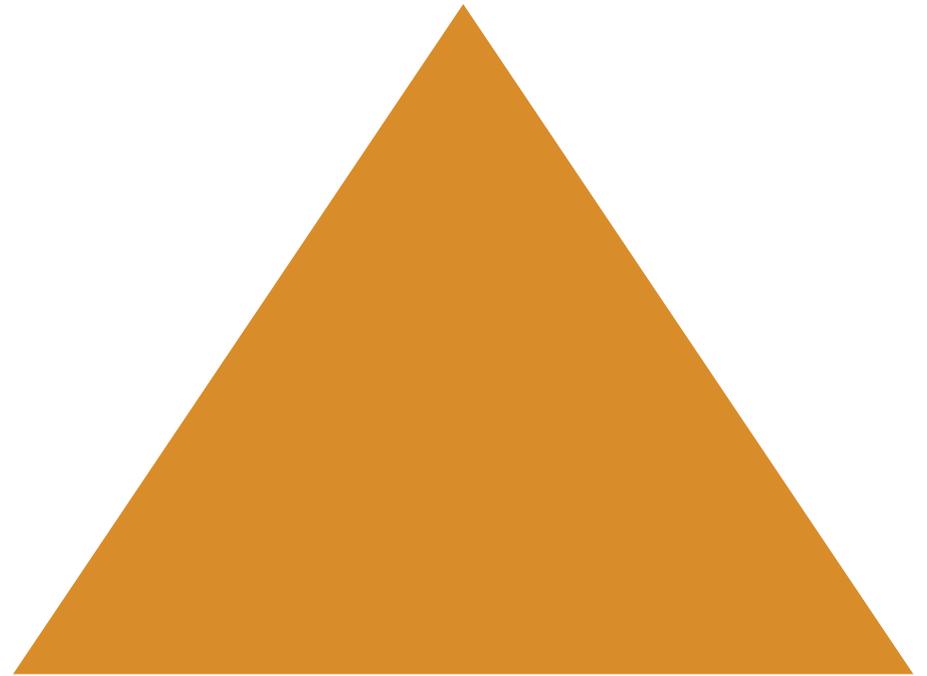


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Use either paper or thin card

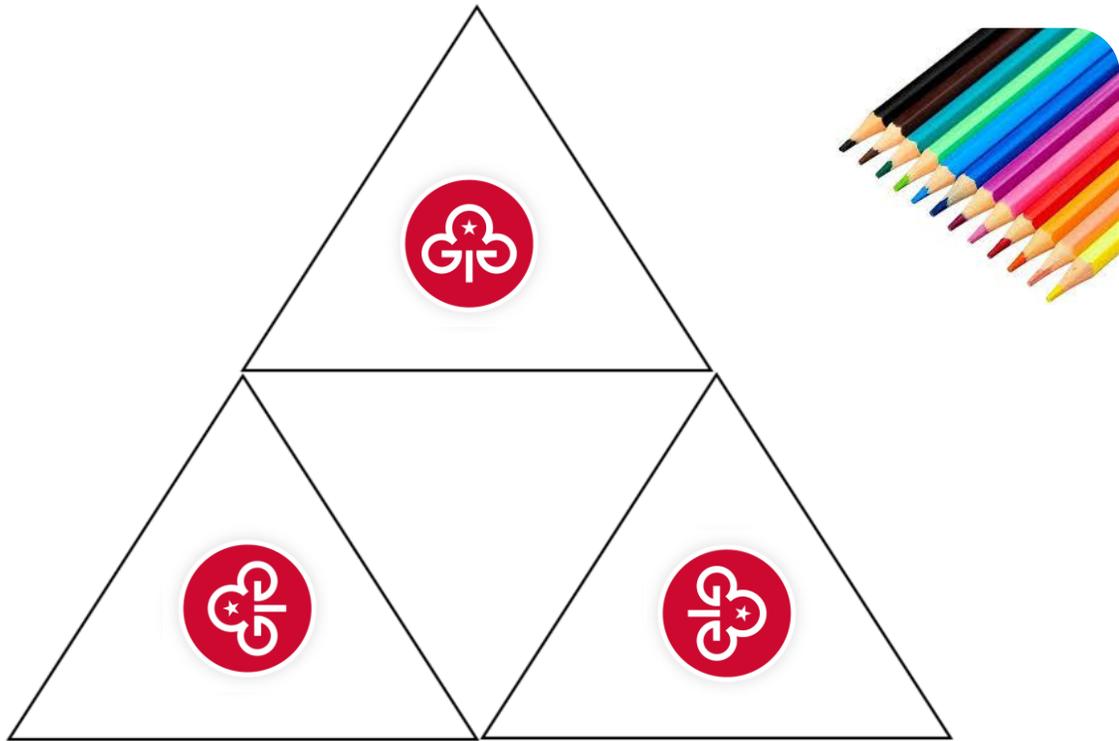


OR - You could make a bigger lantern by using 4 separate large triangles – they must all be the same size



Decorate your shape

You can use stickers, coloured pens, craft punches etc.



Add a decoration to each triangle or draw the logos in the attachment, or you can cut out decorative shapes using a craft knife or craft punches.

Place your shapes and logos carefully to make sure they face the right way up when the lantern is folded.

You could laminate your shape after you have completed your decoration to make it stronger if you wish. (optional step)



Fold your shape into a pyramid to make the lantern

Fold along each of the lines and until you get three points meeting at the top in a pyramid shape.

If you have used large triangles, lay them together to match the template then carefully add tape along the edges to join the sides together.

Make a small hole at the top of each triangle and thread some string through to hold all the points together.

Before tying the string place a battery tea light in the centre, tie off the string.



The Girlguides of Thailand showing off their lanterns for Loy Krathong



Experiment with different patterns and colours to decorate your lantern

