

Spring Bouquet



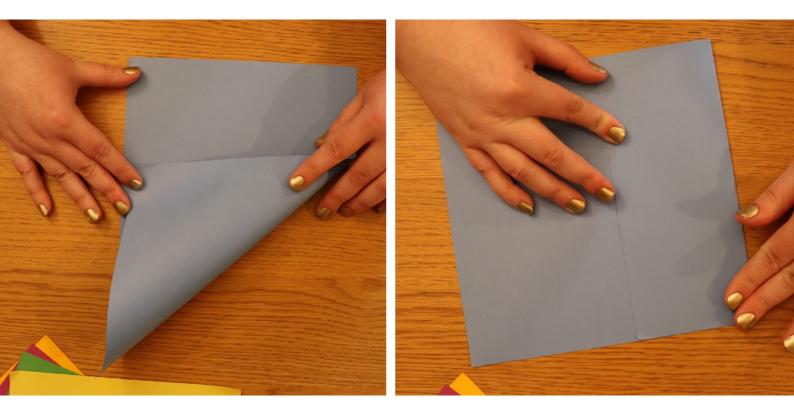
Whatever the weather why not create these beautiful paper flowers to spread some cheer, great for Mother's Day, Birthdays or just because!

Tools and Materials:

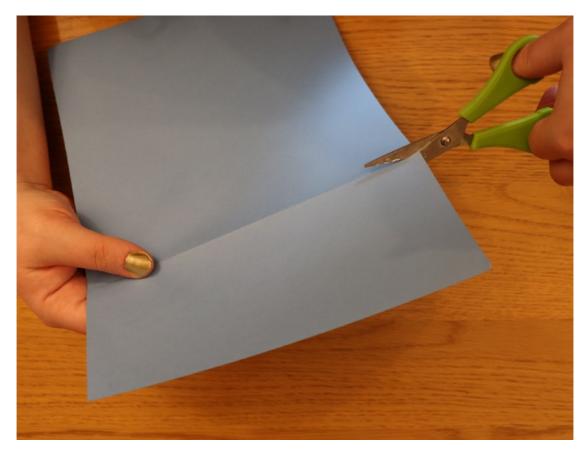
- Coloured Paper
- Pencil
- Gluestick
- Scissors
- Sellotape



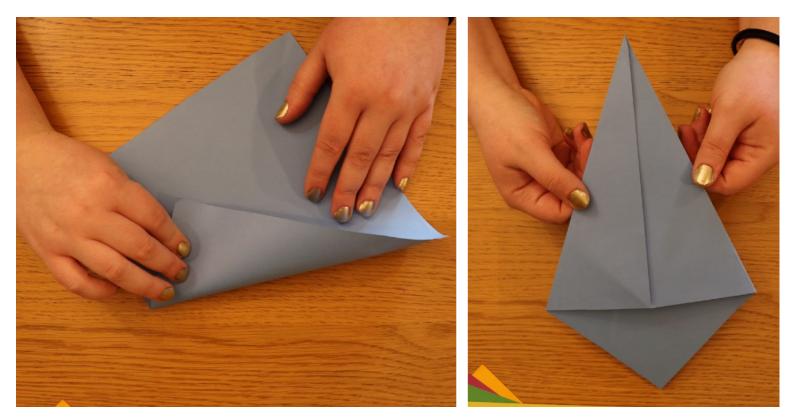
First of all choose the colour you want the vase/bouquet wrapping to be and we need to square it off. To make rectangular paper square take one corner and fold it in like a triangle. Where the triangle ends fold the rectangle in



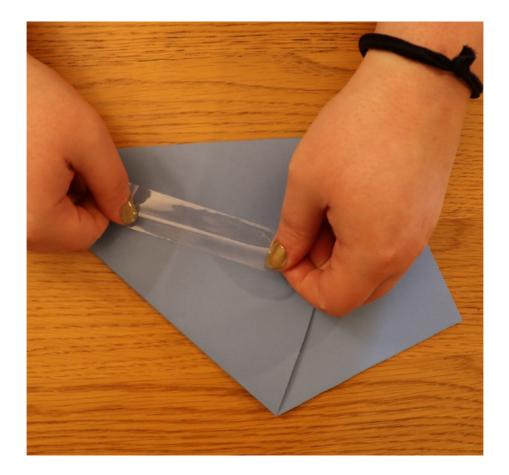
Then trim it off and you will have a square bit of paper, keep it to make flowers from, or another art project!



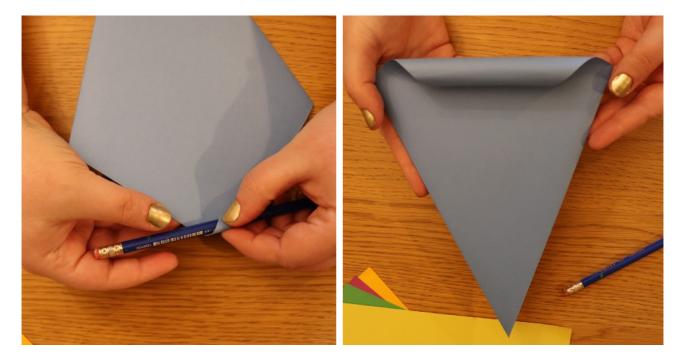
Once you have your square you want to fold in 2 opposite corners to create the vase/bouquet shape, it should initially look a bit like a kite



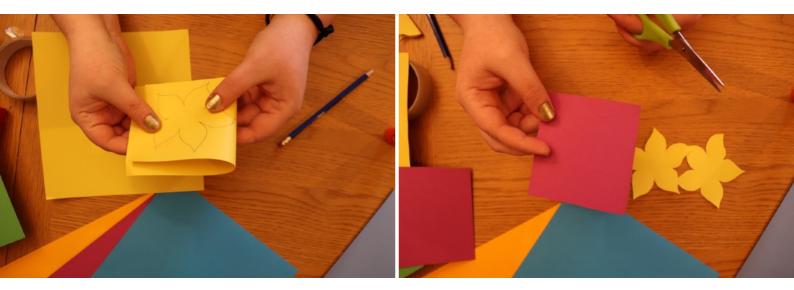
Once you are happy with it tape it in place along the join



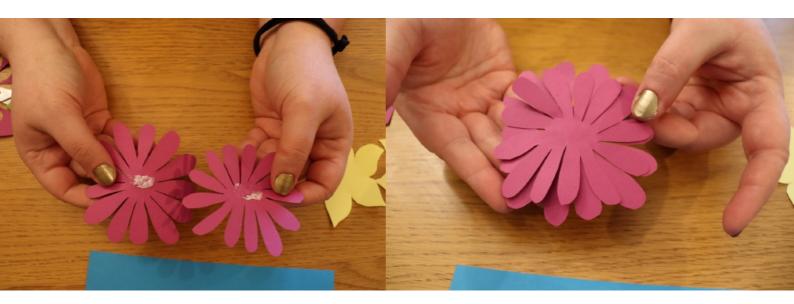
Now flip it over so the join is at the back; using a pencil you can curl the top point of the kite down like so



Now to create your flowers - what kind of flowers can you think of? Because we want to make them a bit 3D you can play around with layering, curling and adding other bits to them like so - folding your paper means you get 2 flowers at the same time with half the effort!



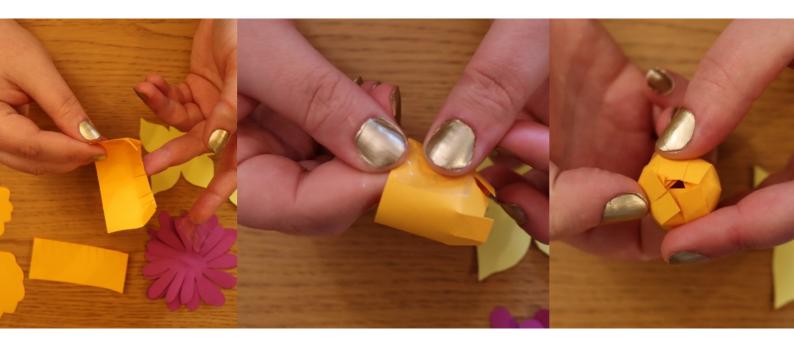
The pink one we based on gerberas, gluing the 2 flowers together at an angle and curling the edges of petals with scissors to give some depth



Here are all the different shapes we cut out - what do you think they might turn in to?



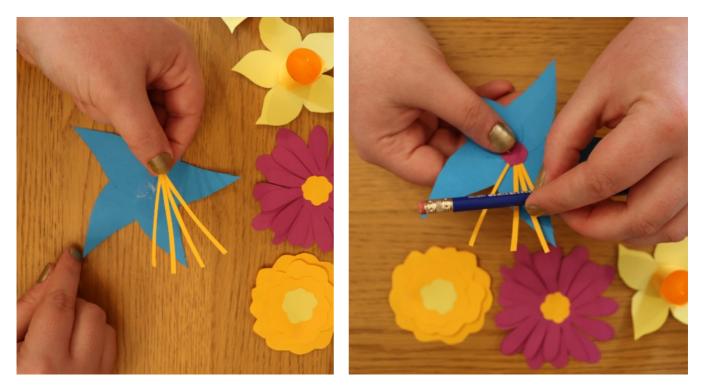
The rectangles with little cuts all along one side can form a trumpet like middle for a daffodil like so, you might prefer to tape it to make it stronger on the side - glue won't always hold it together



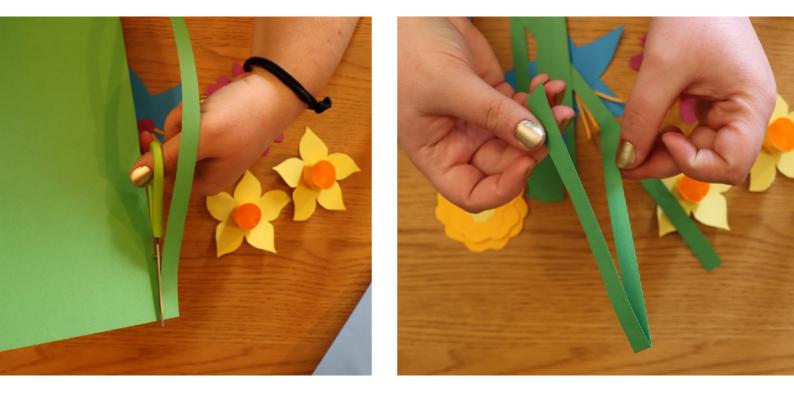
Once you are happy with it you can attach it to the base of the flower, either with a lot glue or a ring of sellotape folded around on itself



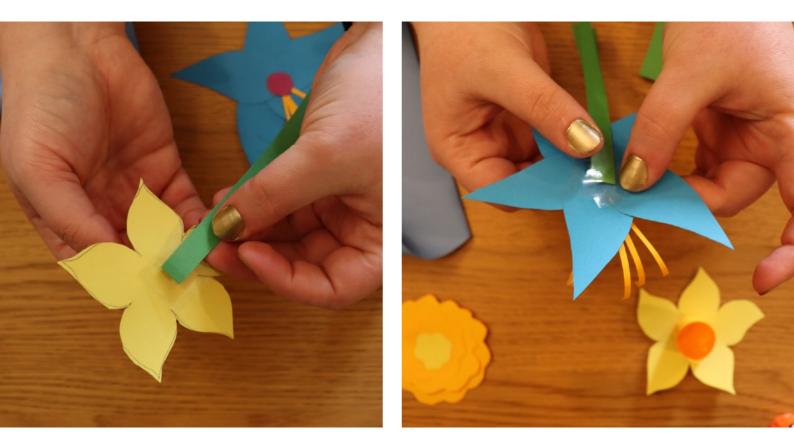
The blue flower we layered the petals around and added a curly stamen (the bits that can stick out of flowers and have pollen on the end)



Now to create the stems - take your green paper and cut strips that can be folded in half for a bit more strength



Attach the stems to the backs of the flowers - we used glue and sellotape to reenforce them so they don't fall apart





Once your flowers are finished then arrange them in your vase/bouquet and when you are happy with their position then sellotape the back to keep them in place!





There you have it your very own "Spring Bouquet"!





Here is another we made to inspire you!