HOW TO MAKE A LANTERN

All of these lanterns can be made from household recyclable items.

Lantern 1

Download the printable template for the lantern. Cut around the template and follow the lines on where to fold the paper/card to make your lantern (if you want a bigger lantern, you can enlarge the template) join the pieces together. Cut out the centre windows in a shape of your choice. Put tissue paper or coloured cellophane over the windows to let the light out. Use string or ribbon as a handle. You will need an LED tea light or string lights to put inside!

Lantern 2

Using a soft drinks bottle or milk carton cut the bottom off the bottle/carton horizontally. Use tissue paper or coloured cellophane on the inside of the bottle or paint the outside of the bottle in bright colours. Form a cross with some electrical or masking tape and stick the LED tea light to the tape, place the bottle over the top securing it to the bottle with the tape. Tie some ribbon/string around the bottle top and put the lid back on.

Lantern 3

Using a juice carton wash it out and let it dry. On one side of the carton, make a door (cut out only three sides). Cut out shapes of your choice on the other three sides. Using coloured cellophane or tissue paper over the openings to make windows. Decorate the outside of the carton with paint. Glue on a handle or cut some holes into the carton and feed through some ribbon/string. Using the door you can place in the LED tea light or string lights inside.

DO NOT USE CANDLES OR TEA LIGHTS WITH A NAKED FLAME!





LANTERN TEMPLATE





