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Make A Winter Solstice Sun Wreath

Use recycled wrapping paper to make a simple wreath.

Materials

- Used wrapping paper
- Ribbon scraps
- A wire coat hanger
- Scissors

Adult help may be needed on steps with ❖.

1. Bend your hanger into a circle with the hook at the top.

2. Collect a pile of used wrapping or tissue paper and ribbons of different colors. To celebrate the winter solstice, chose warm sunny colors like red, yellow, and orange.

❖ 3. Cut your paper into strips, each about one inch wide and nine inches long. This does not need to be exact. Your ribbons can be any length.

4. Fold your first strip of paper in half, pretty side out (if there is one), and slip it onto the wire circle, ends facing away from the center.

5. Gently twist the strip of paper around the wire, as if it were a long twisty tie.

6. Fold and twist your second strip of paper in the same way. Push it close to the first strip.

7. Continue to fold, twist, and push together strips of paper until you have filled up your whole wire circle. You may need to cut more strips.

8. Now tie bits of ribbon between the paper strips.

9. When your wreath is full, hang it up for all to see, or give it as a gift!