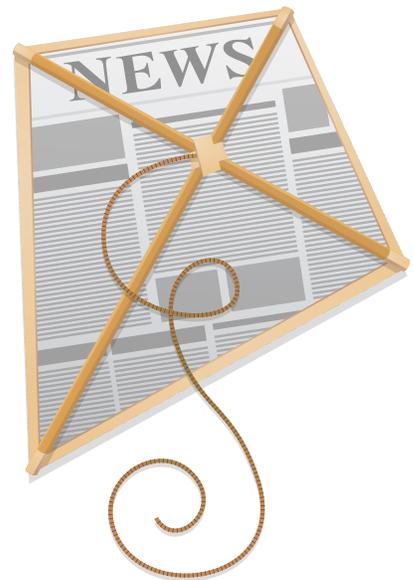




GO FLY A KITE!

Explore the skies by making your very own kite!



WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- Sheet of newspaper (you can also experiment with other types of paper!)
- 2 Wooden dowels, ¼" in diameter and at least 24" long
- Scissors
- String
- Pencil
- Masking tape
- Ruler
- Small handsaw
- Other decorative materials, like washi tape or ribbon

HOW TO DO IT:

1. You will need to cut your dowel rods. One needs to be 24" in length and the other 20". Do this carefully with scissors, or have an adult help you.
2. With an adult, cut a small notch in each end of the wooden dowel rods.
3. Now, make a T with the dowel rods. Take the 24" rod and lay it down vertically. Place the 20" rod across it to form a T, about 6 inches down from the top. Secure by wrapping where they cross with string, and then a layer of masking tape.
4. Take the string and wrap it around the outside of the dowel rods, making sure that the string rests in the notches. You can secure with additional tape.
5. Now that the frame of the kite is done, make the body of the kite! For the body, you can use newspaper, or any sturdy paper that is large enough to cover the frame. Place the frame on top of the paper and use it as a template to trace the body, adding an additional inch around the edges. Cut out with scissors.
6. Center the frame of the kite over the body you have just cut out. Fold the extra inch over the frame and tape down, securing the body to the frame.
7. Make a small hole in the top and bottom of the body of the kite. Take a piece of string or ribbon (at least 24" long) and tie one end in the top hole, and the other in the bottom. Secure with tape on the back and along the top and bottom points of the kite. The string or ribbon should lie flat against the body of the kite.
8. To fly, take a long piece of string and tie to the string or ribbon along the front of the kite. You can also make a tail for your kite with ribbon.
9. Have fun flying and experimenting! Try with different sizes of kites and different paper and see what happens!



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