

Paper Flower Garden

Spring is in full bloom, and what better way to celebrate than with this quick and easy open ended spring flower craft. In addition to providing great fine motor practice, your children will get to express their creativity.

How to prepare paper for your flower garden craft

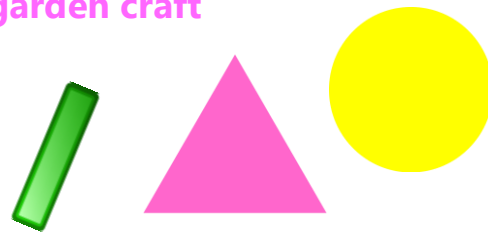
Cut these shapes from construction paper:

Long skinny rectangles (stems)

Triangles (petals or leaves)

Circles and ovals (petals)

Quarter sheets of construction paper



If your child is an older preschooler, they can help with the cutting. If younger they could tear the pieces into creative shapes.

Put the paper pieces on a tray with a glue stick. Invite the children to the table and let them make flowers. It's fun to see the different flowers that they make with such simple shapes.

When finished you will have a giant flower garden! One year in my kindergarten classroom we put the flower papers together to make a paper quilt. It made a spectacular spring decoration!

Ideas:

- ♥ Tape them to a window or wall
- ♥ Place several in a jar or vase.
- ♥ Does someone have a special day coming up? You could use the flowers to decorate a home-made card.



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