

Handmade Gifts

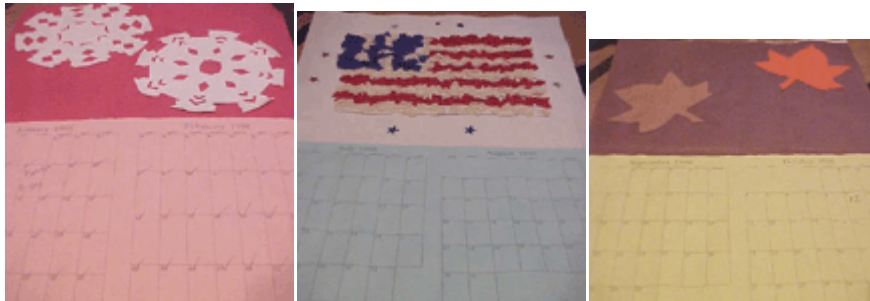
Hanging Calendar

Supplies: Multicolored construction paper(12 sheets); markers or crayons; printed calendars for upcoming year.



Note: This is an easy gift for a young child to make and it doesn't need to be made in one sitting. Have them work on one drawing at a time and then put together when complete.

Print upcoming year calendars (2 months to a page). If you can do them on colored sheets of paper, you may want to do them as follows: Jan/Feb - pink; Mar/Apr - lavender; May/June-peach; July/Aug-blue; Sept/Oct-Oct; Nov/Dec-white. Of course, you don't really need that many colors but having a few different colors that correspond with the "time of year" will make the calendar look nicer.



Jan/February - Red Construction paper with snowflakes made from cutting white paper in a design or Valentines...

March/April - Light blue paper - Draw something Springy... Like kites; trees, flowers, St. Patrick's Day..

May/June - A springy red or green; Draw a butterfly, bird, school kids getting out! Use glitter pens!!

July/August - White paper; This can be different and fun. Make a flag out of torn red, white & blue crepe paper glued to the shape of the flag. Add stars and voila! Instant art.

September/October - Brown paper or Orange paper... Cut leaves out and glue them down... Nice to have a yellow calendar on this page.

November/December - Red, green or white... You can either decorate for Thanksgiving or for Christmas or BOTH! If for Thanksgiving - draw your hand(their hand) on the page and color it to look like a turkey. For Christmas the possibilities are endless... A tree with presents under it, your house at Christmas, waiting for Santa Claus...

Finally, when the artwork is completed, the adult needs to rubber cement all pages together. At the same place on every page, a hole needs to be made by a hole puncher for hanging.