

How to make... a stained glass dragonfly

Suitable for ages 3 - 5 with a little adult help or
6 - 11 working independently

You will need:

- Tissue paper in various colours
- PVA glue (white craft glue)
- Paintbrush
- Cling film
- Tape
- Lolly stick
- Felt tip pens
- Scissors
- Googly eyes (optional)
- Card or paper (optional)
- Access to a pinter (optional)



If you enjoyed Maia Kirkman-Richards' reading of *Pandora's Box*, why not recreate hope and set it free into the world with these lovely stained glass dragonflies.

Instructions

Step 1:

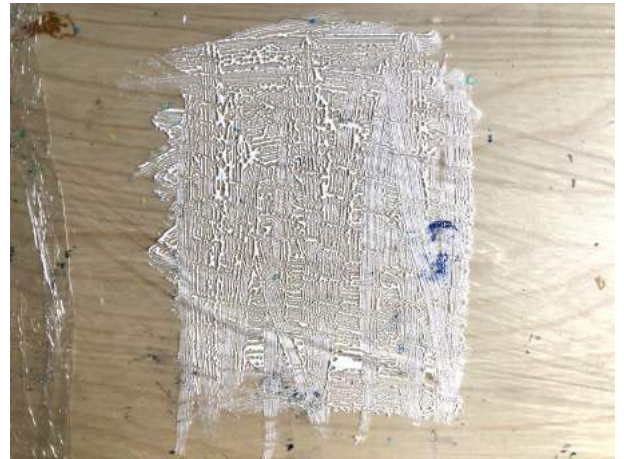
Tape some cling film to your desk or table.



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Step 2:

Paint some PVA glue on to the cling film.



Step 3:

Cut your tissue paper into small squares and start laying it onto the glue. Make sure the edges of the squares are overlapping each other so that there are no gaps in between.



Step 4:

Keep going until you have covered a section with tissue paper roughly 20cm by 20cm.



Step 5:

Paint PVA glue over the top of all the tissue paper and leave to dry. You could use a hairdryer to hurry this along if you are feeling impatient.



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Step 6:

While you are waiting for the tissue paper to dry, decorate your lolly stick with felt tip pens. Add googly eyes and glitter if you have them.



Step 7:

Once your tissue paper is all dry, carefully peel the tissue paper away from the cling film.

TIP: release all the edges first and then work gently towards the middle. If you don't feel confident doing this you can leave it on the cling film.



Step 8:

Draw out some wings onto your tissue paper and cut them out. You could always fold it in half before you cut them out to get a symmetrical set of wings.

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Step 9:

Glue the wings onto the back of the lolly stick.



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Extra step:

Step 1:

Fold a piece of paper in half and draw out one half of wings up against the fold. Cut them out through both layers of paper. When you open them up you will have a symmetrical set of wings. You will need two the same.

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Step 2:

Sandwich your tissue paper in between your two wing shapes.



Step 3:

Glue your wings to the back of your lolly stick.



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