



Saturday 26th November 2022



make your own
One Small Candle Lantern

Hello and thank you for your interest in **Illuminate**

Illuminate has become an annual event in Gainsborough, initially commemorating the town's connections to the Pilgrims who sailed on the *Mayflower* to America in 1620.

Each year, we have lit up the streets and our homes with large and small lanterns, made by local schools and residents inspired by a Pilgrim who wrote: *'As one small candle may light a thousand, so the light here kindled hath shone unto many'*.

The event continues to be inspired by local heritage, and this year's theme is '**West Lindsey Voices**', reflecting on the district's past, present and future.

West Lindsey District Council invites you to **make your own lantern** using recycled and craft materials based on ideas in this toolkit.

Join us with your lantern for a **guided walk** along Gainsborough's Riverside at 5.30pm on Saturday 26th November from Riverside Walk near the Trent Bridge to Gainsborough Old Hall, where a projected film will be playing (repeated between 6-8.30pm) adjacent to a spectacular fire garden near All Saints' Parish Church. Free LED lights will be available on the night.





Inside this toolkit, you will find lots of ideas for creating different types of lanterns.



Have fun, take care and be creative as you like!

This toolkit includes contributions from Pilgrim Roots partners:



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Instructions

You will need:

- A clean glass or clear plastic jar
- Scissors
- Glue (gluestick or PVA craft glue)
- Small battery operated tealight candle or fairy lights

Optional extras (for more decorating ideas) : coloured tissue paper/cellophane sweet wrappers/greaseproof or tracing paper/permanent marker pens

To make your lantern:

1. Cut out the main part of the black silhouette printed on this sheet by following the top edge of the design along the waves, town and Mayflower.
2. There are also smaller shapes such as stars and birds which can be cut out and added individually.
3. Wrap the cut out design around your jar and trim off any overlap at the ends so that it fits.
4. Glue it in place.
5. Decorate any blank areas of your jar with the extra cut out shapes or make your own.
6. Pop in your light and watch your scene light up!

Optional extra decorating:

1. Before you put the silhouette design onto the jar you could glue coloured tissue paper or greaseproof paper over the jar to create a decorative background. PVA glue works best for this.
2. You could use scraps of paper and marker pens to create other decorative details on the jar.



Create your own design with a black marker pen on translucent paper such as tracing or baking paper



Cut out individual shapes for extra decoration

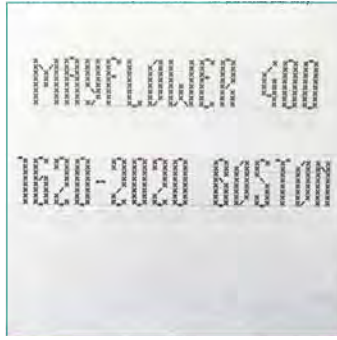
Why not try scraps of coloured paper or tissue to create other decorative details?



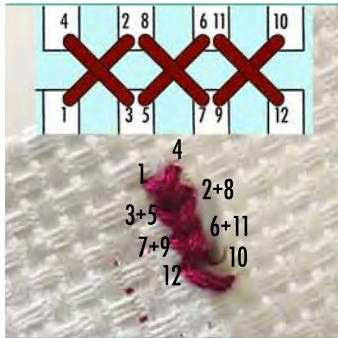
Cross Stitch Lantern



Use a plastic bottle to get the right size container for the lantern.



Use the website cross stitch word generator on the notepad below to create the cross stitch pattern for your design.



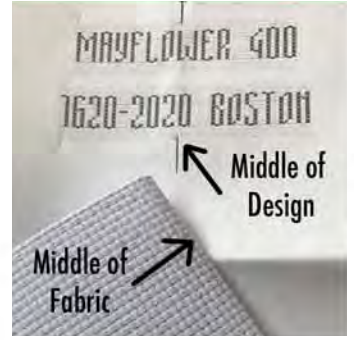
Stitch the cross stitch following the numbers above. Notice 3+5, 2+8, 7+9 and 6+11 all go through the same hole.



Follow the chart so that each cross on the chart goes over the part of the fabric shown above, where the vertical and horizontal lines cross.



Measure and cut out the aida to fit around the container, with an overlap of 1 cm.



Fold the aida in half to find the middle of the fabric. Then mark on the pattern, the middle of the design. Start stitching the middle of the design on the middle of the fabric.



Stick the fabric around the container and overlap the ends and stick down.



Line up the edges so the fabric is level with the top of the container.



Attach the ribbon with fabric glue around the bottom and top.



Fold the ribbon over at the top and glue to the inside of the container. Hold in place until stuck into place.



Place a battery powered tealight into the lantern.

What You Will Need To Make The Cross Stitch Lantern

To design and print your words go to
https://stitchpoint.com/eng/tool/alph/chart_alphabet_oxford.php#

Aida 18 count fabric
 Embroidery Threads
 Embroidery Needle
 Ribbon
 Glass Jar or Plastic Bottle
 Fabric Glue
 Scissors



Flower Lantern

Pressing Flowers



Iron Method

Take the petals from the flower. Put the petals between two sheets of greaseproof paper.



Press the top of the greaseproof paper on a low to medium heat for 30 seconds. Check the petals, to see if dry, if not keep repeating the pressing until the petals are dry.



You are aiming for petals that are completely dry. Some flowers turn brown when dried, avoid these ones. You may need a bit of trial and error to work out the best petals to use.



Book Method

Place the petals inside the coffee filter, then a sheet of paper either side. Then place in a heavy book and leave for 3-4 weeks.



Microwave Method

Place the petals between two sheets of kitchen towel on the plate of the microwave.



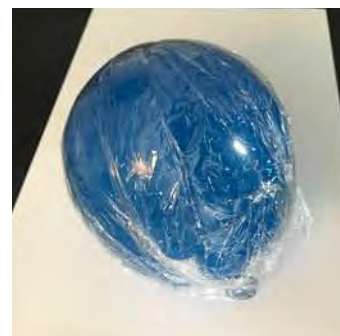
Place a plate on top, and turn the microwave on a low heat for 30 seconds to a minute. Check on the petals and repeat until dry. Beware the plate can get hot.

Making the Lantern



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Mix 3/4 of PVA glue with 1/4 of water in an old pot or jar.



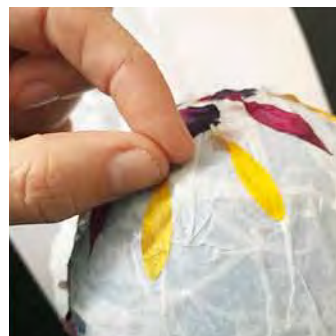
Blow up your balloon to the size you want your lantern to be. Cover the balloon with cling film. Stand the tied end in a jar to make it easier to work on.



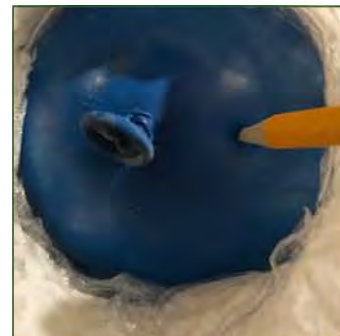
Rip your tissue paper into small pieces. Place on the balloon and then paint the mixed glue over the top. This method helps when using the white tissue paper as it is less likely to rip.



Cover the balloon in three layers of tissue, leaving a gap around the tied end about 10cm circle (see final photo)



Whilst the glue is still wet place the petals into patterns around the balloon. If the petals aren't sticking well use a bit more glue. Cover in 2 more layers of tissue paper. Leave to dry overnight.



This is how the tied end should look, the gap will be the top where the tealight goes in. Use a sharp pencil to pop the balloon and remove the cling film.

What you will need to make a Flower Lantern...

- Wet Strength Tissue Paper (doesn't rip when wet) or white tissue paper (can rip easily)
- PVA Glue
- Balloon
- Cling Film
- Flowers
- Paintbrush
- Old pot or jar
- Sharp pencil
- Battery tealight
- Microwave, iron or heavy book
- Greaseproof paper, kitchen towel or coffee filter



Metal Foil Lantern



Making the Tools

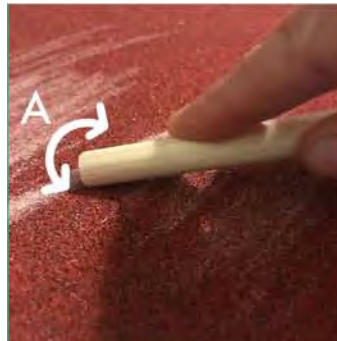


Making Tools

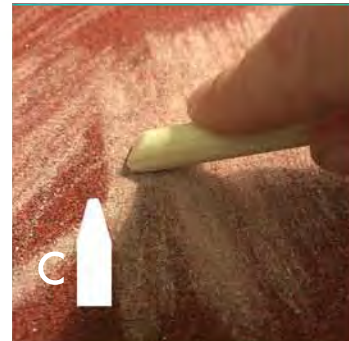
You will need various sizes of dowling to make Pointed, Screwdriver and Round Tools.



Use the 5mm dowelling, cut to the length of a pencil and sharpen in a pencil sharpener.

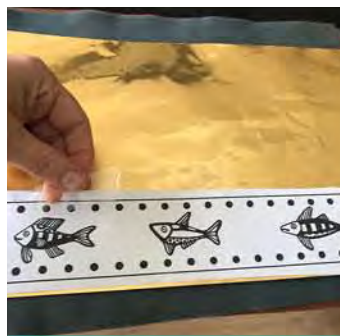


To make the round tool, rotate the 7-8mm dowling sideways, to shape as in A. Then rotate backwards and forwards to round the end.

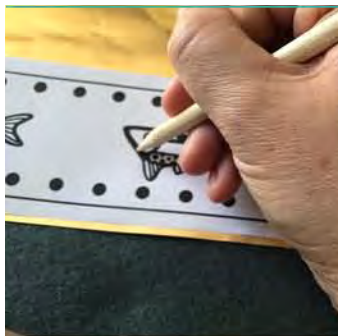


To make the screwdriver tool sand the end at a 45 degrees angle on each side, so the end looks like C.

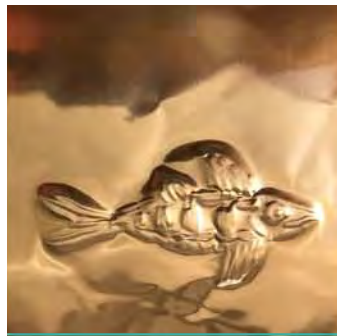
Making the Lantern



Measure the height and round your jar. Draw out on paper and draw in your design. Stick to the foil with tape.



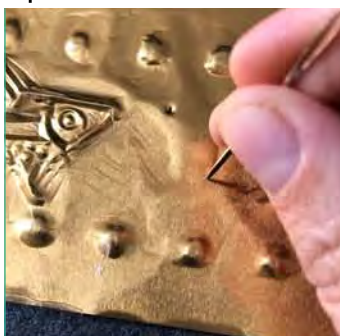
Place the foil on top of a soft surface such as felt. Use the pointed and round tools to press the design into the foil.



The design doesn't look very defined or clear. The next step will solve this.



Turn over the foil and place on a hard surface or card. Use the screwdriver and pointed tool to press into the edges of the design.



This makes the design more clear. Place back onto the felt and press a needle or pin into the foil to make holes for the light to shine through.



Cut out your design with some scissors.



Use appropriate glue to stick the foil to the jar and leave to dry.



Put in your battery tealight.



What You Need To Make The Lantern

A4 sheet of Aluminium Craft Foil

5mm dowelling

7-8mm dowelling

Sandpaper

Felt

Board or hard surface

Glue

Glass jar

Pin or needle

Pencil Sharpener

Scissors



Tin Can Lantern



What you will need:

- A large Nail
- A Hammer
- A towel to lean on
- A Marker pen
- Water
- A freezer
- An empty tin can (such as a baked bean tin)
- Some wire to make a handle (optional)
- A tealight / candle or battery operated versions



1. Use the marker to draw your image or pattern onto the side of the can
 2. Fill your tin can with water and stand it upright in the freezer until the water is frozen solid
- The frozen water will stop the can from buckling as you hammer the nail into it to create your pattern later



3. Fold your towel up and place it onto a sturdy table or work surface and place your can on top of it on its side
4. Use the towel to help steady the tin can as you place the nail on a point on your marker pen line
5. Carefully use the hammer to gently tap the end of the nail to make a hole in the can



6. Continue to make holes following the lines you have drawn. Space your holes apart by the width of the nail
7. Create two holes opposite each other at the top edge of your can, these can be used later to hang a handle on



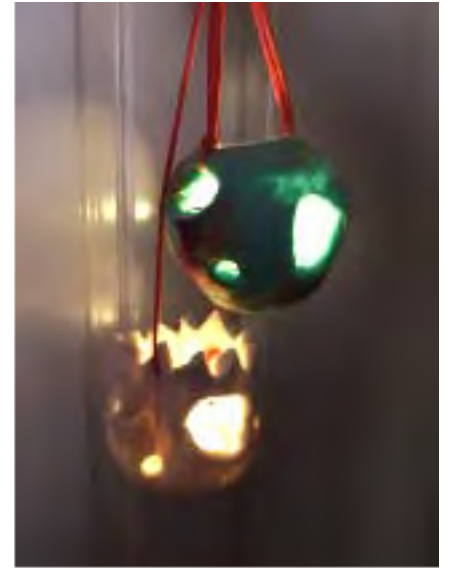
8. Once you have followed all of your lines use the towel to scrub the marker pen off of the outside of the can
9. If your can is still frozen, place it into some warm water to thaw it out and remove the rest of the ice
10. Place a candle or battery operated tealight (if you used ribbon) in your lantern and enjoy the images you created

Wool Felt Lantern

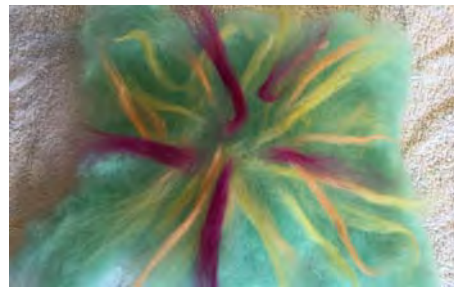


What you will need:

- 50g felting wool in one colour
- Small amount of other colours for decoration
- A bowl of warm water
- Soap or washing up liquid
- A balloon
- A towel
- Bubble wrap
- Scissors
- A battery operated tealight



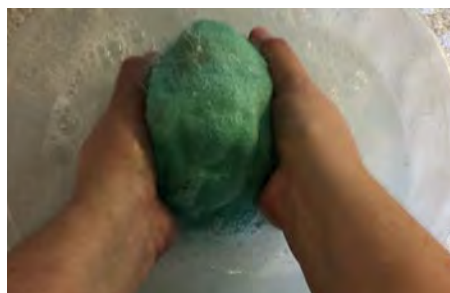
1. Take half of your wool and pull small even tufts and lay them down evenly on the table to create a rectangle about the size of an A4 piece of paper. If your wool already came as a sheet, separate it into two rectangles
2. Use the other colours of wool to lay small pieces in a pattern on top of the base colour



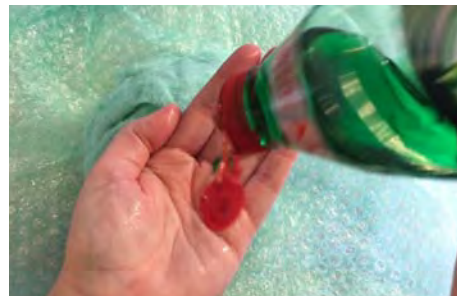
3. Blow up your balloon to the size of a large orange and wrap it in the wool sheet
4. Lay out another rectangle of wool and use this to wrap a second layer around the balloon



5. Fill your bowl half full with water and add a drop of washing up liquid
6. Take your wool-wrapped balloon in both hands and put it into the water



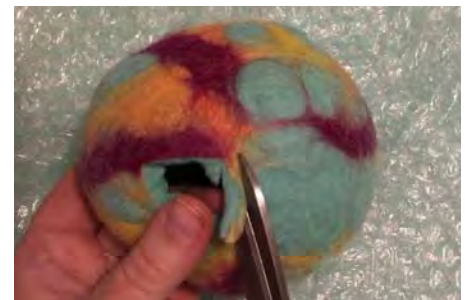
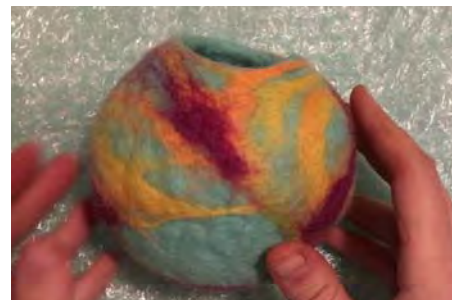
7. Soak up as much water as possible whilst holding the wool securely on the balloon
8. Place your bubble wrap sheet on top of your towel (bubbly side up - this helps to massage the felt)
9. Gently take the woolly balloon out of the water, make sure the wool hasn't clumped or thinned in any areas



10. Wrap it up inside of the bubble wrap and begin to gently roll it around on the towel
11. After a few minutes of rolling, unwrap the bubblewrap and check that the wool is in place and not lumpy
12. Test that the wool is felting together by pinching it and pulling gently. If the wool feels like it is starting to knit together, continue to roll it on top of the bubble wrap and add some soap to your hands to help



13. If it is still very soft and the fibres are loose, wrap it back in the bubble wrap and roll on the towel for a few minutes before testing again
14. Keep rolling until the wool tightens around the balloon and the surface is smooth
15. Once the wool is smooth and tightly fitted around the balloon, use the scissors the cut a hole in the top



16. Find the balloon in the hole and use the scissors to carefully puncture the balloon before removing it completely
17. Widen the hole if you need to and turn the felt side out so that the coloured wool is now in the outside
18. Wash the soap out of the wool by running it under a warm tap and squeezing out the soapy water



19. Once washed, use the scissors to cut holes in the sides of your wool felt lantern to let light through
20. You can add a handle by making 2 holes in the top of the lantern and tying ribbon or string through them
21. Use a battery powered tea light to light up your lantern

Woven Bottle Lantern



What you will need:

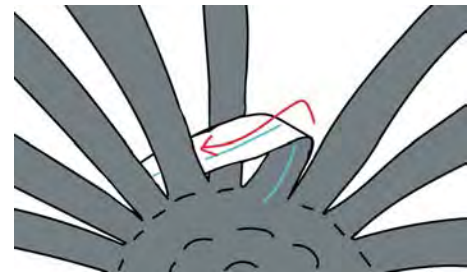
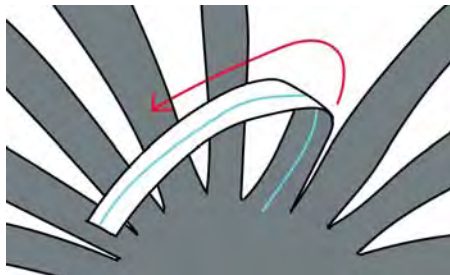
- A clean empty plastic bottle
- Marker pen
- Ruler or tape measure
- Scissors
- Ribbon or thread for handle (optional)
- A battery operated tealight or small candle



1. To cut the top from the bottle: Use the top rib in the bottle as a guide and squash the bottle at this point
2. Use the scissors to cut along the line where you have squashed the bottle and then trim around the top edge



3. Use the marker with the ruler or tape measure to measure 1 cm marks around the bottle along the bottom rib
4. Use the ruler to mark a spot at the top edge of the bottle that matches the spots around the bottom rib
5. Once you have all your spots marked along the top edge matching the spots marked on the bottom rib, cut straight lines from the top edge down to the spots on the bottom rib
6. You will now have many long strips of plastic. Fold these back so the bottle looks like a sunburst or flower
7. To begin weaving: take one strip and fold it inwards at an angle as in the photo
8. Take the strip and pass it over the strip next to it and then under the following strip. The strip you are working on should now be sticking out of the bottom
9. Take 2nd strip (the one you just passed the 1st strip over the top of) and repeat steps 7-9 until the last strip



10. When you reach the final strip take the end and pass it through the 1st strip through where the first strip folds



11. Neaten up your lantern by pinching all folds and snipping off the ends of the strips to remove the pen marks
12. Add an optional handle by making two holes under the weave and tying some ribbon
13. Add your battery powered tea light and admire your handy work!

Recycled Lantern (#PollutionFreeOcean)

for all ages to help recycle plastic and waste polluting our seas

You will need:

- * Glass jar or bottom of plastic bottle
- * Battery operated tealight
- * Plastic and unrecyclable materials such as bags, packaging and wrappers
- * Scissors
- * Optional extras such as ring pulls, spare buttons and ribbons destined for landfill

How to.....



Cut your chosen plastic bags or unrecyclable packaging into thinner strips (2cm to 5cm wide), keeping them as long as you can (keep bottom seams intact)



Start to tie your pieces together carefully so as not to rip them - you can alternate colour and clear if you want variety as you wrap the jar!



Thread ring pulls on as you go if you're using them for decoration



Start wrapping the jar by knotting the plastic strip onto itself after a full circle around the bottom



As you wrap the jar, twist your strand to keep it compact, and add more as needed



Push down to keep tight. Knot strand onto itself to finish



If using buttons to decorate, thread them onto spare ribbon and knot. Tuck one piece of the ribbon under the plastic and knot ends together



When you're finished, add your battery operated tealight - ENJOY!



Make a Jam Jar

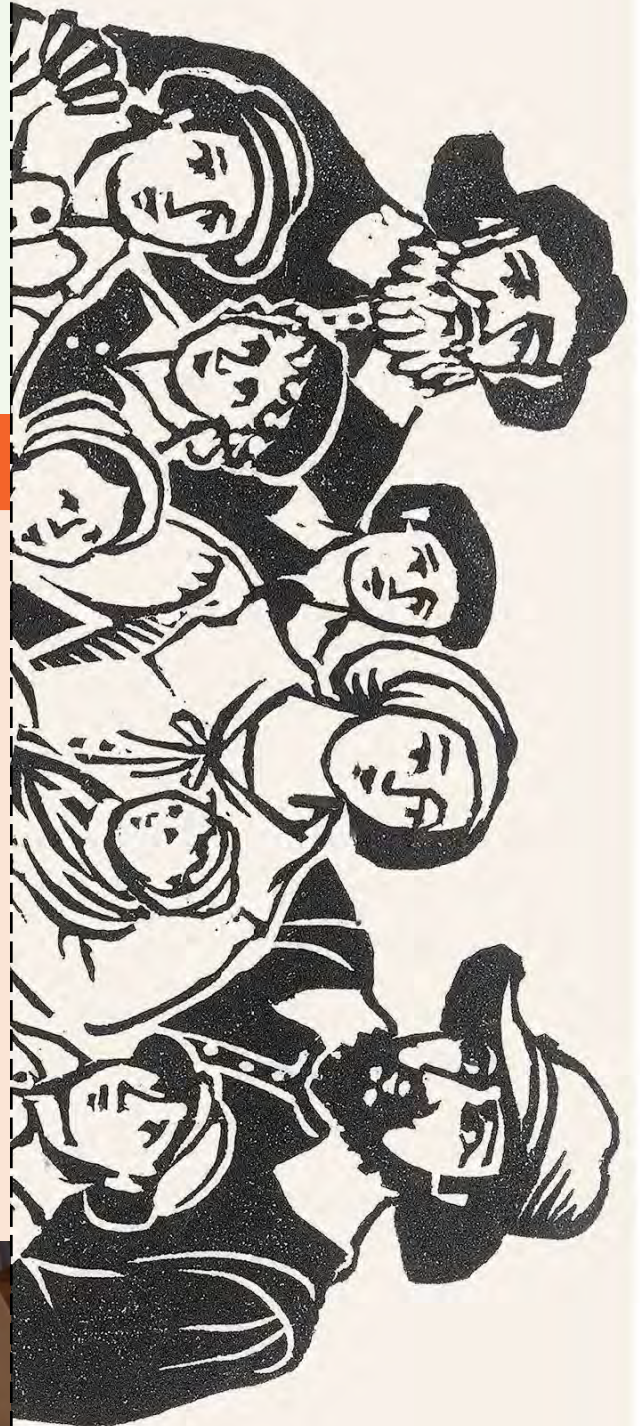
WOODCUT *LANTERN*

You will need...

- To print out this page
- Scissors
- A clean, empty jam jar
- Marker pens, glitter-glue, or other things to decorate the outside of your jar
- An LED candle (LEDs available on the night)

Instructions:

1. Carefully cut the woodcut picture away from the text.
2. Curl the picture around your fingers and pop it into the jar.
3. Colour in the jam jar, or make patterns with glitter glue! *You could make your lantern look like a big stained glass window!*
4. Let the ink or glue dry, then turn on your LED candle and put it in the jar.
5. Bring your lanterns to Illuminate on 26th November!



Make a milk bottle

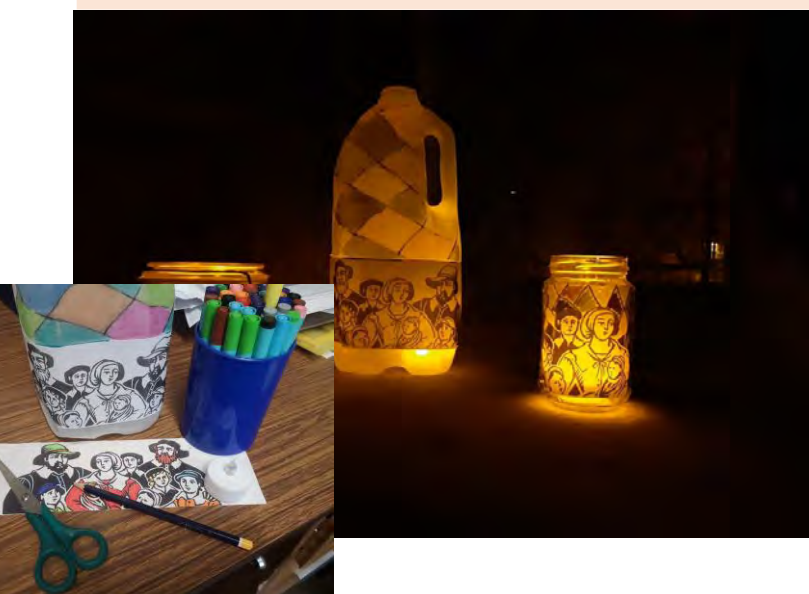
WOODCUT *LANTERN*

You will need...

- To print out this page
- Scissors
- A clean, empty milk bottle
- Glue
- Pens, paint, or whatever you like to decorate!
- A string of fairy lights

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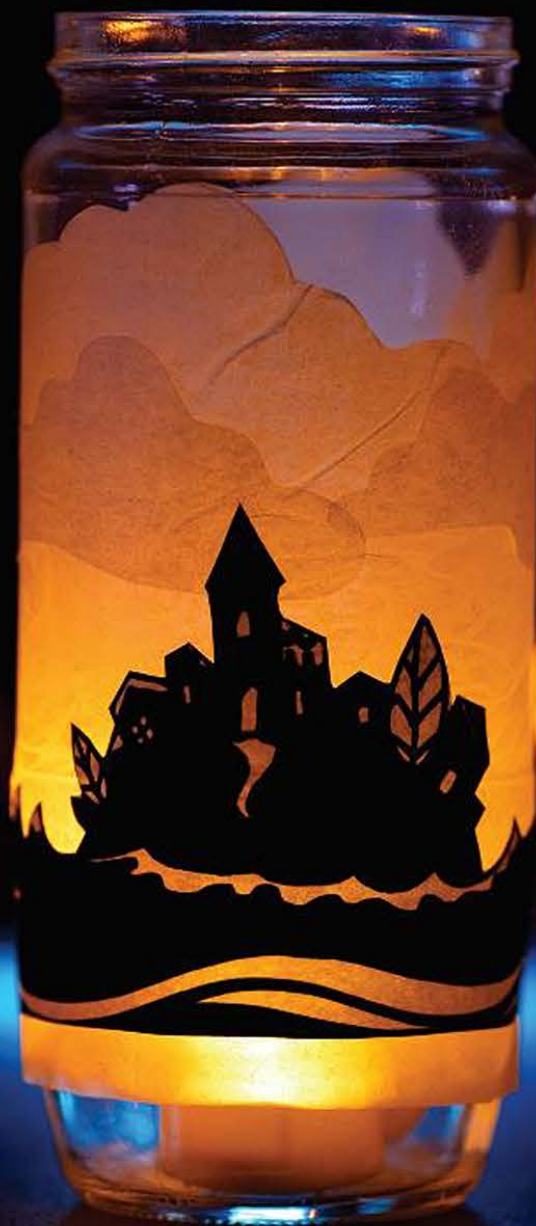
1. Carefully cut the picture away from the text.
2. Glue the picture to the outside of the milk bottle
3. Colour in the picture or make patterns around it! *You could make your lantern look like a big stained glass window!*
4. Let the ink or paint dry, then turn on your fairy lights and drop them into the milk bottle.
5. Bring your lantern to Illuminate on the 26th November!



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