Christmas Lantern

Scene Template
Battery-powered Candle or Tealights
Black A4 Card
Coloured Tissue Paper
Glue
Sticky Tape
Craft Knife or Scissors
Metal Ruler
White Chalk
Paper Fasteners
Hole Punch

To Make The Christmas Lantern

- Step 1: Print off the Scene Template onto white A4 paper.
- Step 2: Cut out the moon, the stars, the windows and doors in the houses (you may need an adult to help you with this). Make small holes all over the trees (you can use a hole punch if you have one, or a thick needle).
- Step 3: Place the cut-out paper over an A4 piece of black card and mark out the cut-outs with white chalk.
- Step 4: Cut out the areas marked on the black card (again, you may need an adult to help you with this).
- Step 5: Place the white paper over the black card again to check that the cut-outs match up, then glue the white paper onto the black card. Then attach different coloured pieces of tissue paper at the back of the black card, using either glue or sticky tape. You can either use an A4 piece of one colour of tissue paper to cover the whole card (which would show the cut out areas in all the same colour), or cut out smaller pieces of different coloured tissue papers to cover different parts of the scene e.g. yellow over the back of the moon and stars, orange over the doors and windows, blue over one tree, etc. Your colour design is entirely up to you.
- Step 6: Once you are happy with the placement of the coloured tissue paper, make small holes with your hole punch or scissors in the top right and left of the card, and the bottom right and left of the card, and left of the card, all exactly opposite each other, so there are 3 vertical holes at each end of the card.
- Step 7: Curve the black card round to make a tube with the white paper on the outside and the coloured tissue paper on the inside so that the holes match up then insert a paper fastener into each pair of holes at the top, bottom and centre to fasten the two sides of the card together. You should now have a complete tube with your design showing on the outside.
- Step 8: Place a battery-operated candle or battery-operated tealights inside the tube and watch the colours in your scene glow!

REMEMBER - ONLY USE BATTERY-POWERED TEALIGHTS OR CANDLES TO LIGHT YOUR SCENE!! NEVER USE REAL TEALIGHTS OR CANDLES!

<u>Suggestion</u>: You could design your own scene at Step 1. Simply draw it out on the white paper and cut out whichever parts you want the light to shine through.

