

You will need:

LANTERN:

Specialist Paper (Provided)

Lights (Provided)

Wire (Provided)

Template (Download)

Glue Gun (Optional)

Clear Tape (Not provided)

FOR DECORATION:

Felt Tips/ Markers - Bingo dabbers work well (Not provided/optional)

Glitter/Sequins/Tissue Paper (Not provided/optional)

INSTRUCTIONS:

Download the template from the PAF website

Cut out the template

The template should fit nicely on to the paper provided

Take the template and draw around as neat as possible

Don't forget the V at the top, this is where you will cut to insert the lights

Once you have cut out the shape, place the template for the lantern underneath the paper, as the paper is transparent, the dashes on the template advise where to fold

Lightly trace the fold lines with a pencil, this will show you where to fold the paper on your lantern,

Fold along all the lines, ensure both the main structure lines and the tabs lines are folded

Before you stick your lantern together, you need to decorate the inside of the lantern – this will protect your designs from the elements if you were to display your lantern outside

You may want to add some glitter and sequins to the outside of your lantern, streamers trailing from the bottom also work well

Once you have decorated your lantern, bring all the sides together and simply secure with clear tape, your lantern should be a polygon. You can stick several polygons together to make a larger, more intricate lantern

Next you will want to secure your lights to the wire. A glue gun works well, tape also works well if you don't have a glue gun to hand

Insert the lights and the wire into the V and secure with tape, you will want to try and centre the lights, there should be enough wire at the top to create a hook

If you wish to parade your lantern, the wire will also fit nicely into or alongside Doweling rod, again you will want to secure with tape

If you're displaying in your window, you may wish to use string across your window and thread the lantern on to the string

I hope you enjoyed making your lantern, we can't wait to see the streets of Prestwich illuminated