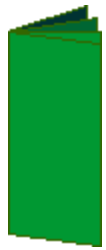


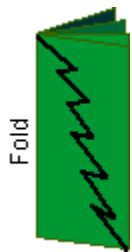
# Make a Paper Christmas Tree



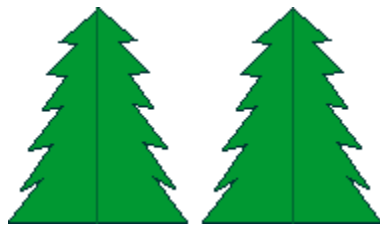
Fold a piece of green construction paper in half, then cut it in half.



Put the two pieces together, and fold them in half again.

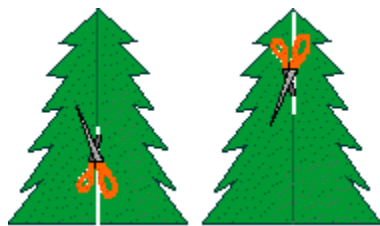


Draw half a Christmas tree opposite the fold.



Cut along the line - you should get two identical trees.

Fold the trees in half, just barely creasing the center line (this is to mark the center of the tree).



Cut a slit along the bottom half of the center of one tree and along the top half of the center of the other tree.

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Slip the two trees together along the slits.

Using clear tape, tape the bottoms and tops together (pieces of tape on the bottom and at the top make the tree stand up well and stop the slit ends from flopping over).

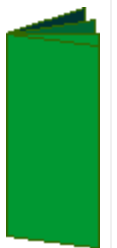


Decorate your tree with crayons, markers, glitter glue, or tempera paint. Or you can glue on tiny construction paper decorations or use star stickers. You can cut out tiny paper balls using a hole punch.

Now you have a really nice 3-dimensional Christmas decoration.



Optional: cut out a small construction paper star and cut a tiny slit in it. Put the star on the top of the tree (and secure it with some tape).



**For a bigger tree:** Start with two pieces of green construction paper, and fold them so they make a long, thin rectangle. Draw a tree opposite the fold. The rest of the instructions are the same.