

## How to Make Festive Paper Flowers

Making paper flowers was a popular hobby in the Victorian times. They were often very detailed to make them look like the real thing. The flowers could then be used to decorate homes at Christmas time and alongside real plants like holly and ivy.

### You will need:

Ruler

Scissors

Pencil

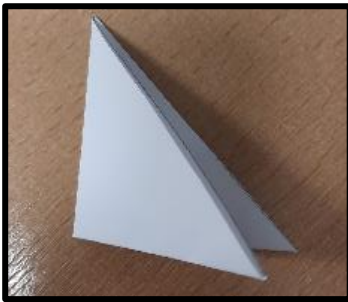
A4 paper (any colour) cut into 8 7cm x 7cm squares

Glue stick or PVA glue



### Method

1. Take one 7cm x 7cm square of paper and fold it in half diagonally to make a triangle.



2. Fold it in half again to make a smaller triangle.

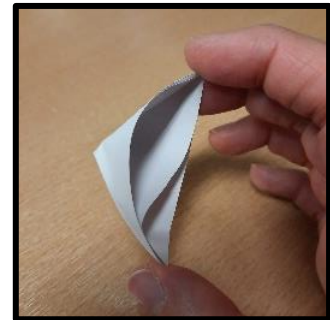
3. Open the small triangle back up and put a thin line of glue along the longest side. Then fold it back in half to stick together.

4. Repeat steps 1 to 3 with the other 7 squares of paper.

5. Gently push the corners on the open edge of the triangle together, this will open it up slightly.

6. Repeat with the other 7 triangles, these will form the petals of the flower.

7. Then starting with one of the petals, put glue along the edge that you stuck together in step 3.



8. Stick it to another one of the folded petals, make sure you stick it to the edge that you glued in step 3.

9. Repeat until you have stuck 7 triangular petals together.

10. Stick glue on both sides of the eighth triangle to join all petals in a circle to finish the flower.

