

Paper Fans

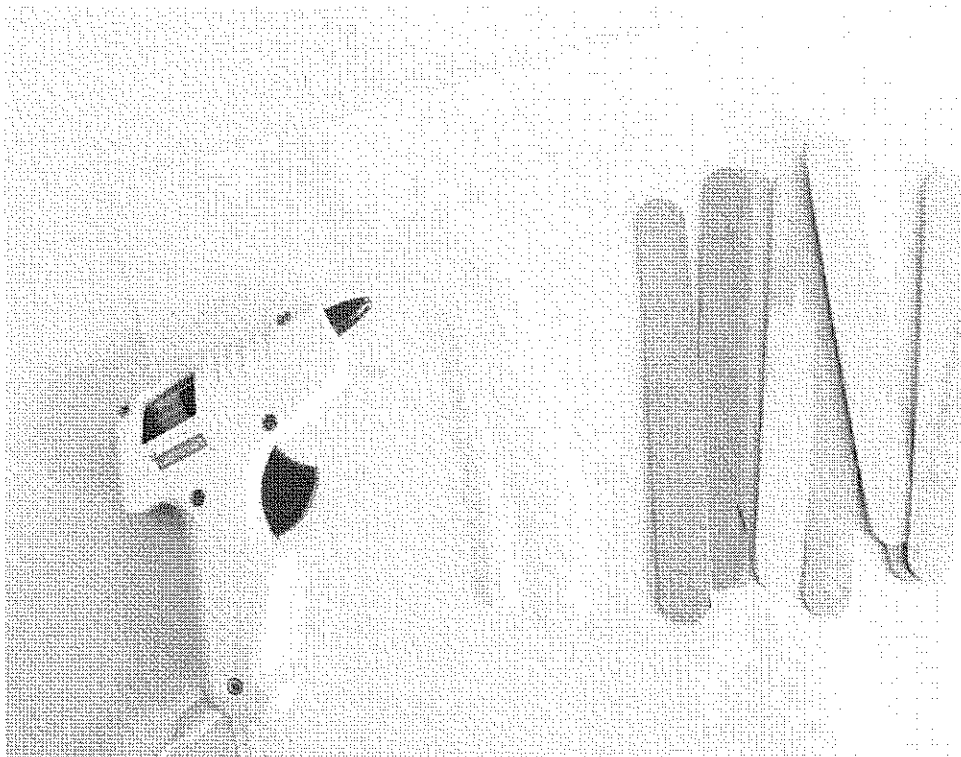
8 1/2 x 11 inch paper (printer paper or card stock both work well) You will need to pieces of paper per fan.

Elmer's Painters® Paint Markers

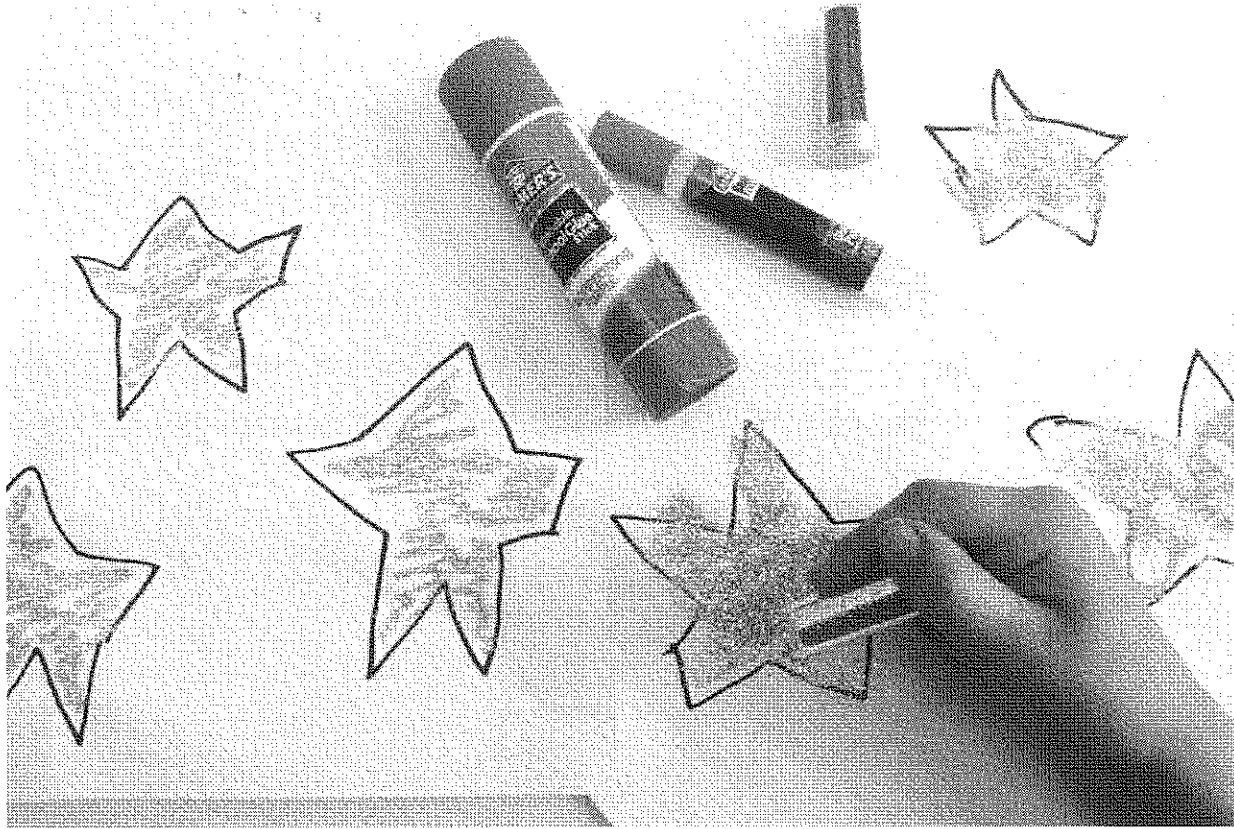
Elmer's Board Mate® Precision Glitter Set

Popsicle Sticks (two per fan)

Hot glue gun

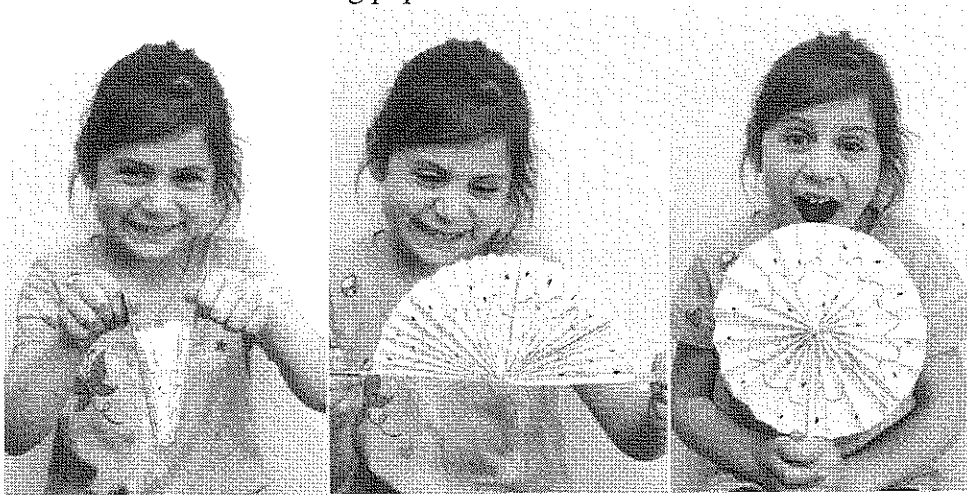


If you have basic printer paper at home you can use it to make these Paper Fans although the fanning strength will not be as strong as card stock.

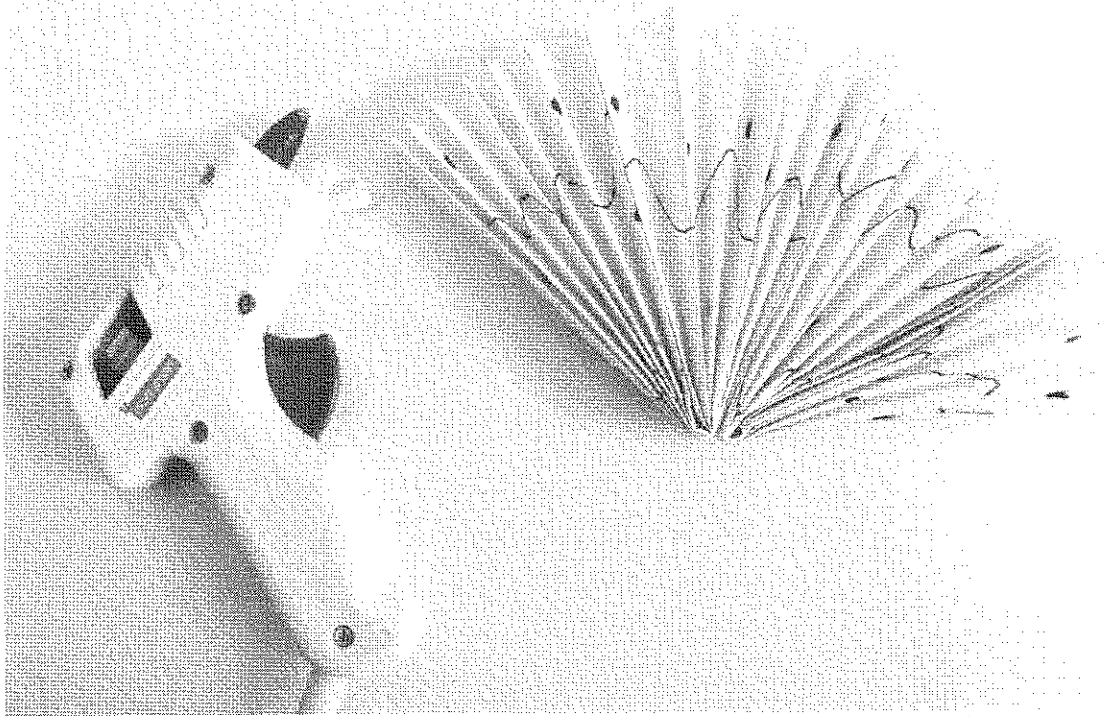


The first thing you need to do is decorate the paper for your fans...any designs your little artists desire! You will need two pieces of paper per fan. We loved using the Painters® Paint Markers to decorate. They are exactly what they say they are...paint in a pen format! They are really easy to use and give a nice bold color to your artwork. We also used an Elmer's Glitter Set which gave our fans a nice sparkle. If you decide to use glitter you will need to wait for the glue to dry before moving on to the folding step!

Then hot glue one side of the accordion to the popsicle stick making sure the “handle” of the fan will be toward the open end of the folded accordion. Do the same with the other side of the accordion and the remaining popsicle stick.



Once the hot glue is cool you can open up your fan like so...voila!



Once your pieces of paper are decorated you are going to fold each piece of paper “accordion-style” in about 1 inch increments (slightly less than the width of the popsicle sticks) starting from the top of the paper (shorter width of the paper on top) until the whole paper is folded. Then fold the accordion in half and hot glue it to the other folded accordion piece of paper. See picture above.

