

Paper Forest

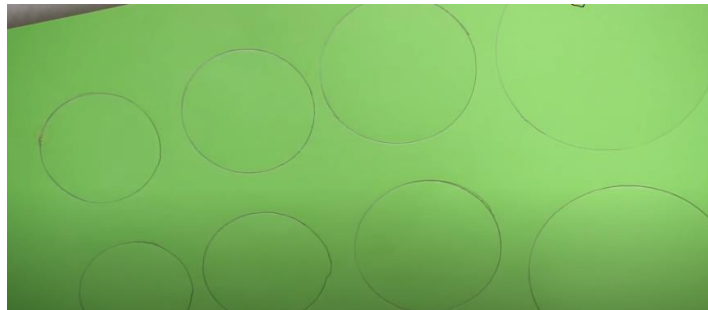


Materials Needed:

- ✓ Green paper (leaves)
- ✓ Brown paper (trunk)
- ✓ Colored paper of your choice (for the background. The example uses a light brown)
- ✓ Scissors
- ✓ Glue
- ✓ Pencil/ marker

Steps:

1. Draw eight circles on a sheet of green paper. For the best results, draw two circles for each size: large, medium, small, and smallest.



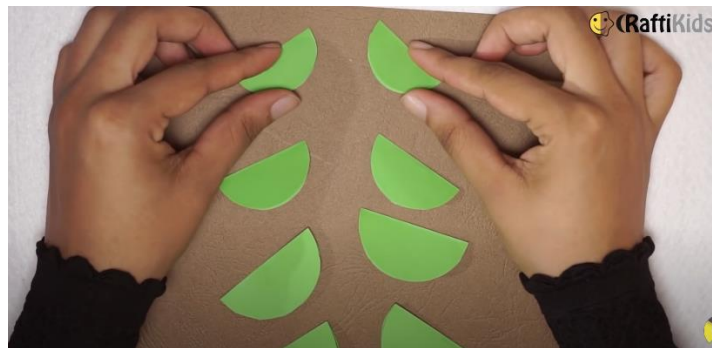
2. Cut out all eight circles.



3. Draw a large circle on a piece of brown paper and cut it out.



4. Fold all of the green circles in half.



5. Starting with the smallest circles: apply glue to one of the outside halves and place near the top of your background paper. The second circle should overlap the first circle and look like a triangle when you open the circles (see below for reference).



6. Repeat step #5 with the remaining sizes so that the smallest size is on top and each additional layer gets bigger.



7. Fold two opposite sides of the brown circle towards the middle.



8. Apply glue to the folded side and place slightly inside the bottom layer of the tree.



9. Repeat steps #1-8 as many times as you would like to create more trees for your forest! 😊

Additional Skill Practice:

Here are some additional skills you can work on with your kiddo related to this craft:

- 1:1 Counting – how many green circles do you have all together?
- Shape Identification – What shapes is your tree made of?
- Fine motor – draw animals, flowers, clouds, or any other details you want to your forest.
- Handwriting – label the parts of your tree. Try writing “leaves” and “trunk” near each corresponding shape.