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TREASURE BOX!

Today we're doing a super simple craft project. We're making a STEAM On! Treasure box to keep some of our wonderful creations in!



For this project you'll need:

- A shoe box, parcel box, or any other box you have spare
- Big paper for wrapping
- Coloured paper (or plain paper and colouring in things)
- Colouring in things
- Tape and/or glue stick

The first step is to wrap your box. Do this however you think best. This is how I am wrapping mine:



Cut a piece of paper big enough to wrap right around your box. Then use double sided tape or glue stick to make a few sticky lines on your box. This will help your paper wrap tidily.

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Wrap your paper right round your box. Stick it firmly at each of the places you have taped or glued.

You can also pinch or score along all the edges to make them extra sharp and tidy.

My box has a lid attached to it. So it's a bit tricky to wrap. I'm going to carefully cut my paper at each side of where my lid attaches. But I'm not going to cut my box at all.



Now I can fold all the remaining paper over at the ends of the box, just like wrapping up a present.

Tape the edges down inside the box to keep everything secure.



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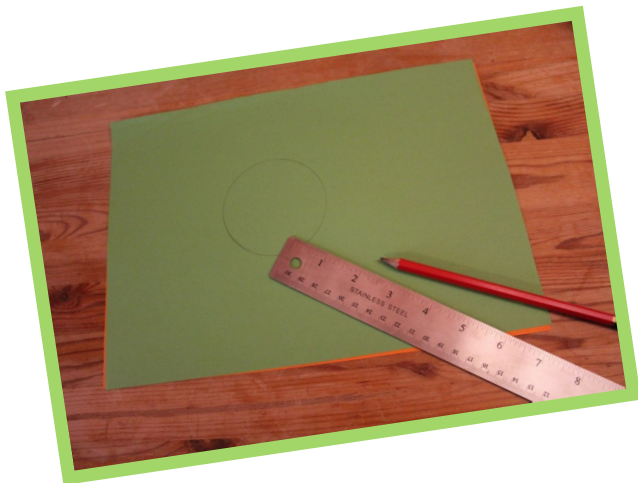
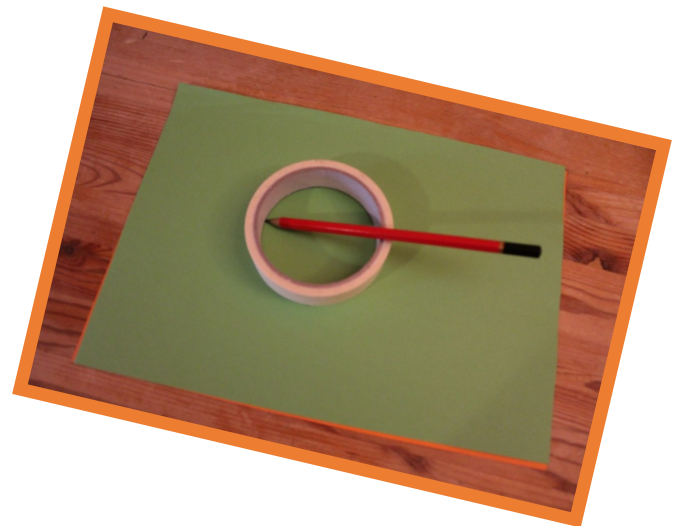
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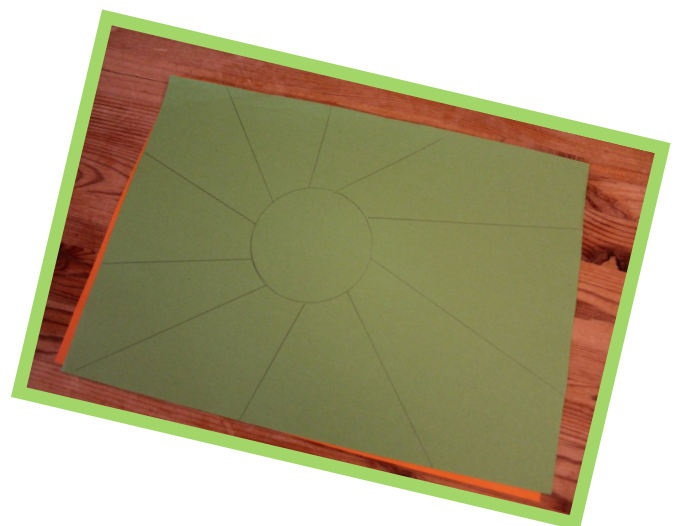
Do the same thing with the lid, tape all round the edges.

When your box is totally covered, it's time to decorate! You can use anything you like and decorate your box however you want to. This is how I'm doing mine:

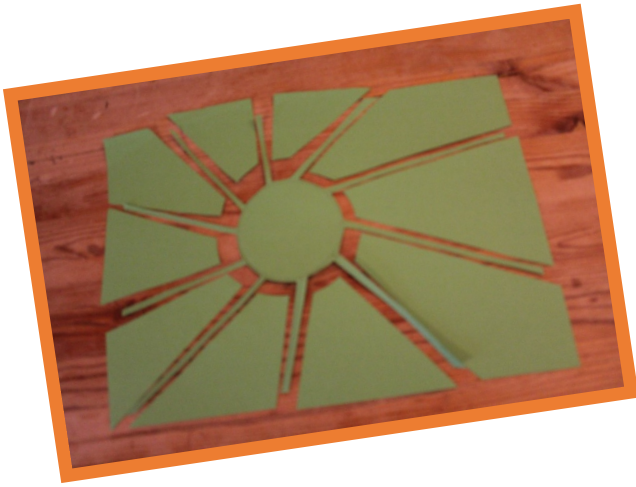
Place something round, like a roll of tape, just to one side of the centre on your coloured paper. Then draw round it.



Use a ruler or flat edge to draw lots of straight lines radiating out from your circle.



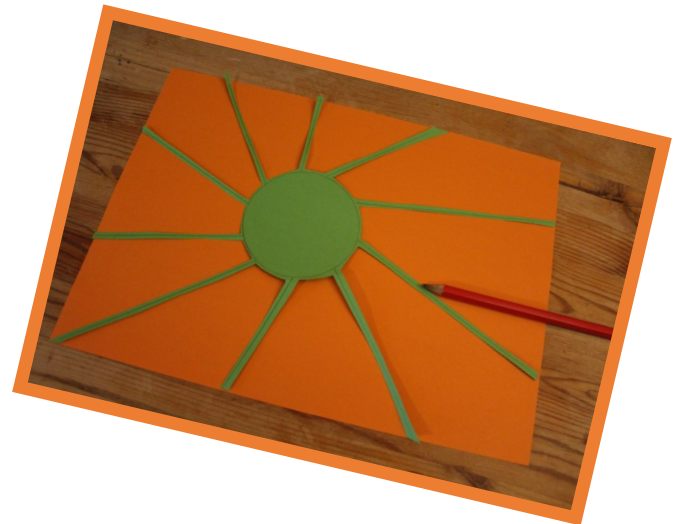
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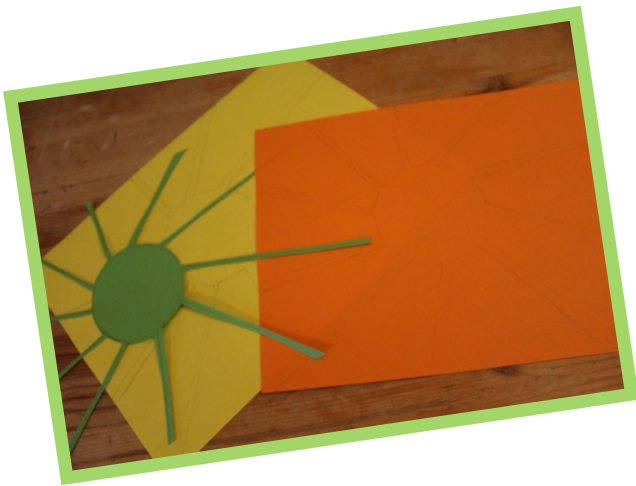
Draw around this frame on two more pieces of paper, each a different colour.

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Then, carefully cut out all the shapes you've drawn. Cut just inside the lines so you are left with a frame shaped like the sun.



Then you can cut them out in the same way.



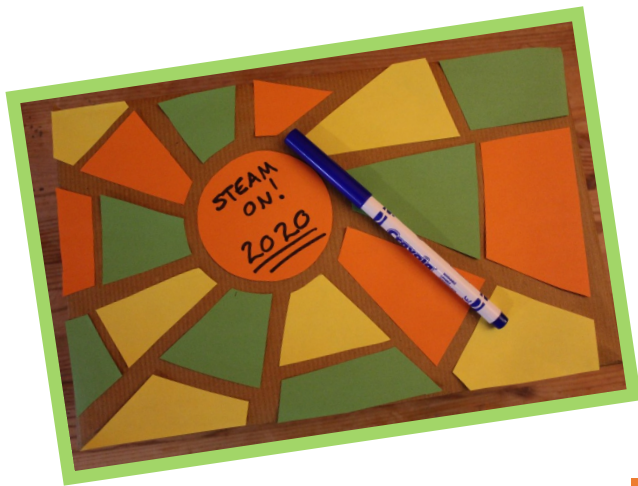
Line up your paper pieces on top of each other, then cut them roughly in half.



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When you're happy with your design, use double sided tape or a glue stick to stick everything down. Then trim any bits that stick over the edge.



When you've finished decorating your box and any glue has dried, you can fill it up with all the great stuff you've been making over the past five weeks!

Don't forget to share your treasure box and its contents on our gallery!

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Now you have loads of coloured pieces. You can make a mosaic pattern on top of your box.

I have cut out an orange circle for the centre too.



Then you could add extra detail with felt tips.

