

ROCK SPRINGS SUMMER LIBRARY PROGRAM

make a twirligig

You'll need:

- Colorful paper
- Wooden Skewer
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Ruler + pencil (optional)
- Hot glue OR tape



1. Cut 8 strips of paper, about 1/2 inch wide and 11 inches long. Use whatever mix of colors you'd like. You can use a ruler to draw straight lines or cut the strips freehand.
2. Cut 4 circles, about 1.5 inches in diameter.
3. Coat one of the circles with glue. Arrange the paper strips evenly around the circle. Keep adding glue as they overlap around the circle. Cover the top with another circle to secure them.
4. Bring the other ends of the paper strips up and glue them to another circle. Cover the strips again with the last circle.
5. Now you're going to put the wooden skewer through the center of both circles of paper. I started the hole with a pin, then pushed the pointy end of the skewer up through the center of the paper spinner.
6. Above the top circle, put a dot of hot glue on the skewer to keep the twirligig from moving / coming off the skewer (You can also use tape wrapped around the skewer). Do the same right under the top circle, so that the top circle doesn't spin.
7. The bottom hole might need to be stretched out a little bit. Just move the skewer around in the hole to make it a little wider. This will help it to spin freely.
8. Now you can play with your Twirligig spinner toy! Just roll the stick between both hands and watch it twirl!



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