

Miniature Christmas Crackers

Materials

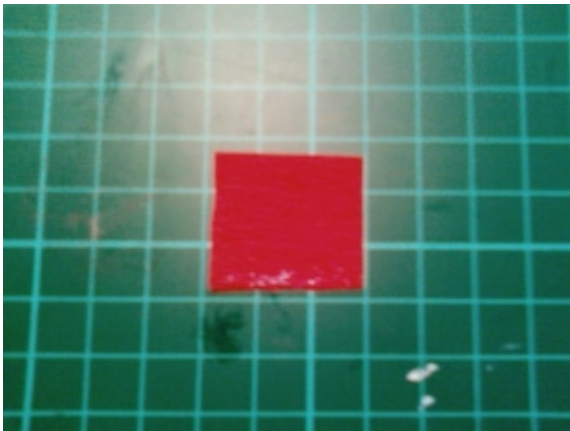
Crepe paper in Christmas colours (e.g. red, blue, green, gold, silver)
Drinking straws (the bendy kind)
Silicone glue
Sewing thread to match the colour of the crepe paper
Ruler
Tweezers
Scissors
Tiny Christmas embellishments
Very thin ribbon or gold and silver paper.

Instructions

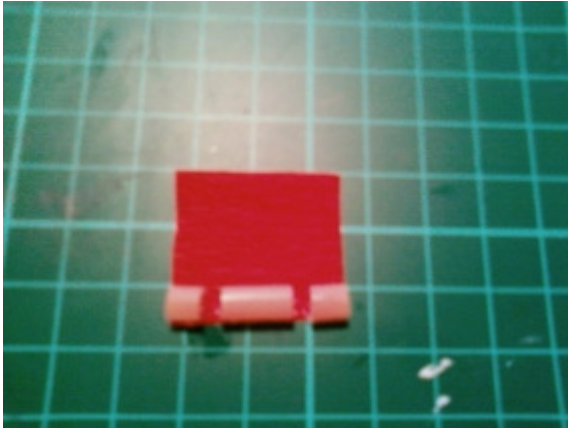
Cut your pieces of crepe paper to approx 25mm square. Cut one piece of drinking straw to 10mm in length and 2 pieces to 5mm in length per cracker.



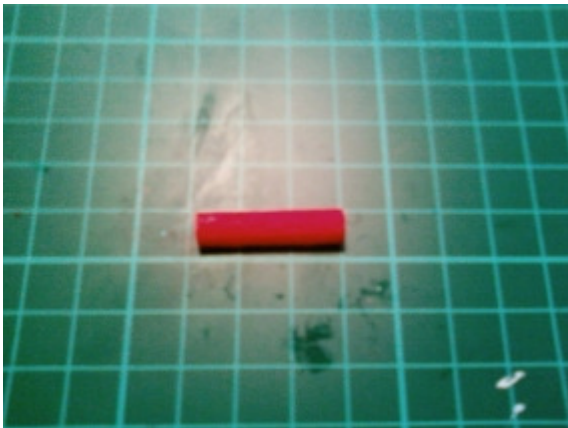
Put a thin line of silicone glue along the bottom edge of the crepe paper.



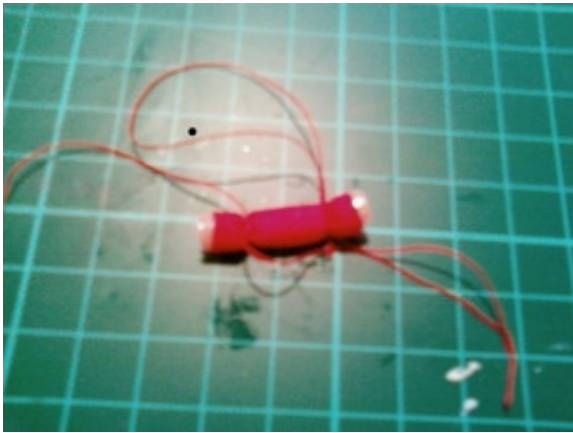
Place the smaller pieces of drinking straw at both ends of the glued edge and the larger piece in the centre of the glued edge.



Roll up the crepe paper and put a thin line of glue on the other edge.



Take lengths of your matching thread and tie a knot between the smaller pieces of drinking straw. The smaller pieces of drinking straw will poke out of the ends. You need this to happen for easy removal and the reason why I use silicone glues is that it doesn't dry too quick.



Cut the lengths of thread as close to the knot as you can and using tweezers remove the two smaller pieces of drinking straw.



Now decorate with tiny embellishments. If you wish you can put thin ribbon around the edge of the short ends of the crackers, or pieces of gold or silver paper.

