



Project 1 - Tissue Paper Stencil

Materials

- Colored hard-boiled eggs (use any egg coloring kit)
- Multicolored 8 1/2" x 11" tissue paper sheets (available at craft stores)
- Non-toxic white glue
- Water
- Artist's brush—a watercolor brush works best
- Plain paper
- Tape
- Cardboard egg stand or wax paper

Instructions

1. Be sure to print the image page onto the tissue paper.
For this project, you will want to print page 2 of the PDF.
2. Tape the tissue paper onto the plain paper. Tape carefully around all four sides of the paper so that the tissue paper doesn't lift up during the printing process. Tape only around the edges of the paper so that the printer prints on the tissue, not on the tape.
3. Print with the tissue side facedown in your printer.
4. Carefully cut the tissue away from the plain paper, then cut out each individual design.
5. Make sure your eggs are completely dry before applying the stencil.
6. Prepare the glue mixture: 3 parts white glue to 1 part water. The mixture should be the consistency of syrup.
7. Begin applying the stencil:
 - Brush a thin coat of glue (about the size of the stencil) on the egg.
 - Place your design printed-side-down on the spot of glue, and brush a thin coat on top of the design. Be careful not to move the design after applying it to the egg.
 - Be creative! Try using several designs on one egg.
8. For drying purposes, place the finished egg in a cardboard stand (included in the egg coloring kit) or on wax paper. If using the stand, make sure the tissue does not touch the cardboard.

Idea: Try cutting your own shapes or designs from the tissue.



