

## Mother's Day Projects

All ages - adult supervision is suggested

All materials are included





## **What You Need to Make Felt Flowers:**

- Felt, cut into various sizes and shaped flowers and circles –use scissors and cut by hand!
- Buttons in assorted shapes and color
- Elmer's glue/ Low-Temperature Glue Gun
- Wooden skewers, painted green (green paper drinking straws or floral wire will also work!) (not included)
- Ribbon

## **How to Make Felt Flowers:**

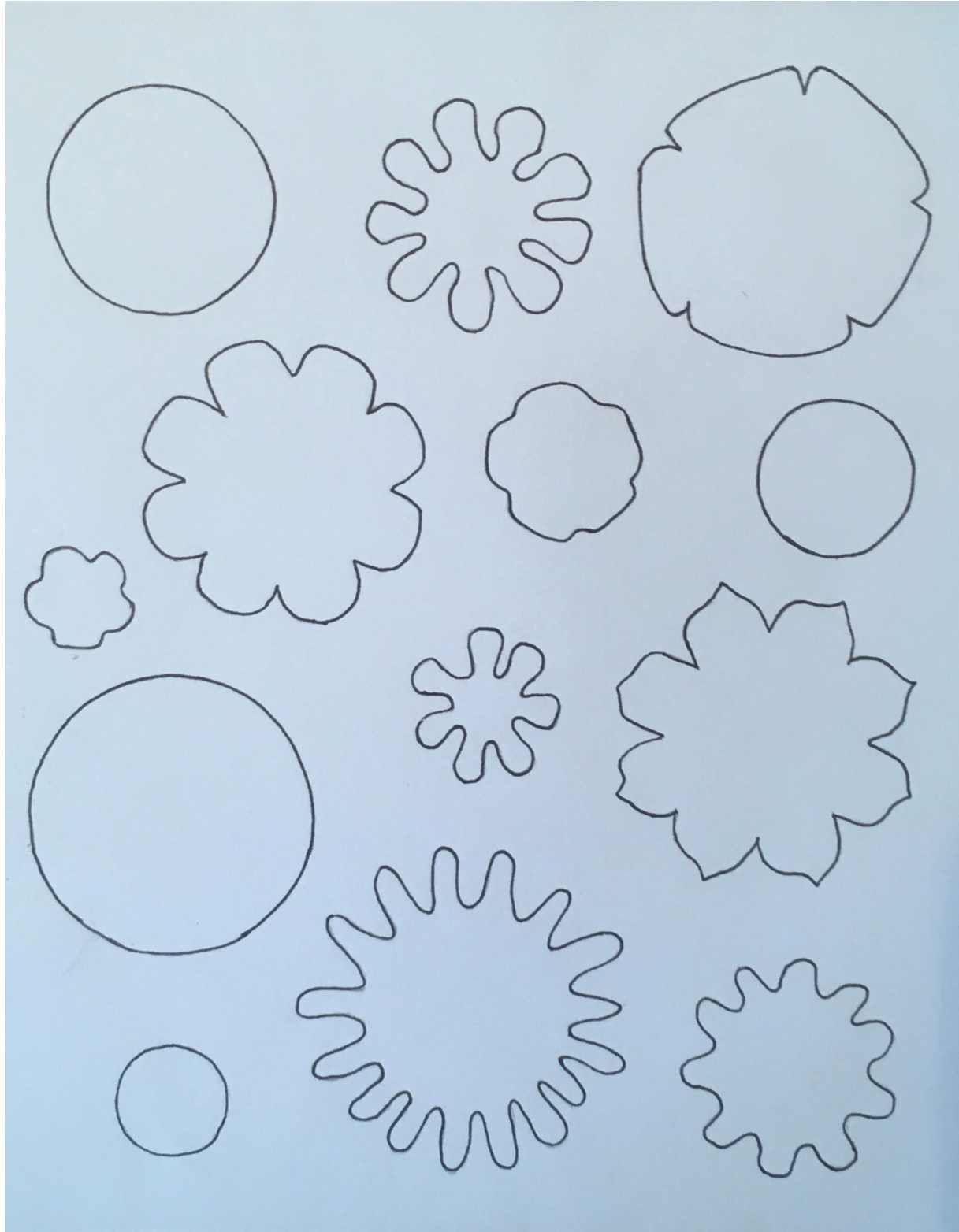
Using the floral templates provided; Select the colors and sizes of felt pieces that you want to use (3 to 5 work best) and start layering. Add a dot of glue to the center of each layer to hold your flower together, but do not glue all the way to the outer edges. This will create a flower with more depth and dimension. Finish the center of each flower by gluing on a colorful button or layering two different sized buttons to create even more dimension.

Here are bookmarks to make as an option:





Template for felt flowers



## Making Mother's Day Cards

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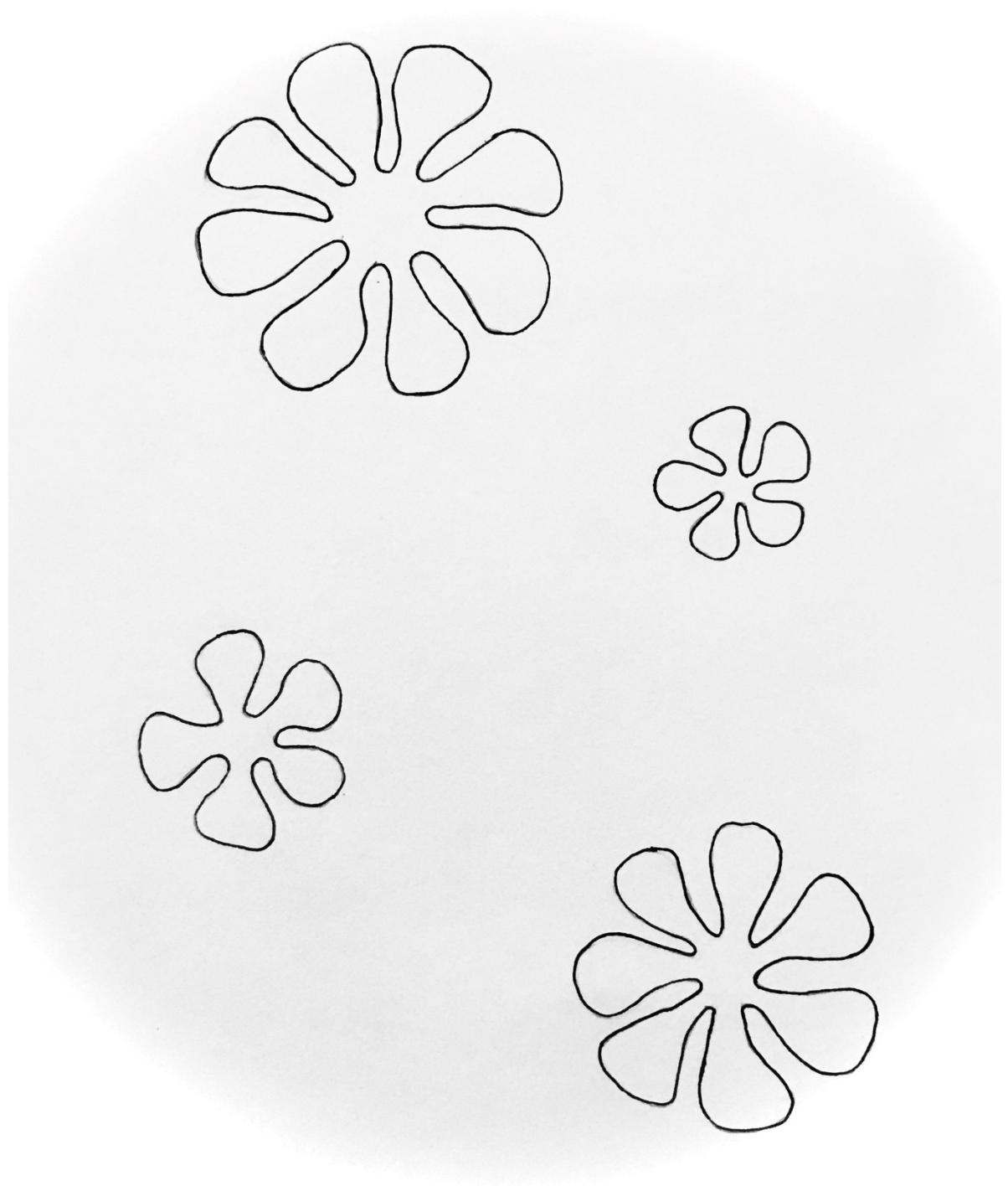
### Materials Needed:

- One piece of construction paper to fold for the card
- Color sheets for flowers
- Hole puncher
- Ruler
- Button
- Marker/colored pencils/crayon
- Hot glue or Elmer's glue
- Imagination
- Template as a guide for flowers

### Directions:

- Start by cutting the construction paper into a square and then fold in half to create the card
- Use the template to make flowers- as many as you would like- some can be glued down inside the card for added creativity.
- Take your paper puncher and punch as you see above
- Glue the center of the flowers down on the card – not all the way to the edge
- Gentle fold back the flower petals to have them come off of the construction paperGlue button down in the center of the flower with hot glue gun or Elmer's glue
- Write Happy Mother's Day on he front of the card, open the card to the inside and write a special note to your Mom

Template for Happy Mother's Day Card



## Mother's Day Tissue Paper Flowers

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Tissue Paper Flowers are simple, quick, and inexpensive. They are a thoughtful hand made gift that is easy to customize, looks beautiful, and can last a long time. You can whip up a dozen flowers in about an hour. It's a perfect gift for Mother's Day!

This is what you need to make one dozen tissue paper flowers. One piece of tissue paper makes one flower. It's easiest to make the flowers in multiples of three. Adjust what you need based on how many flowers you want to make.

### Materials Needed:

- Sheets of Tissue Paper included
- Pipe Cleaners
- Scissors
- A Vase

### Optional:

- Ribbon to decorate the Vase
- Scotch Tape to attach the Ribbon to the Vase



### **Making your flower:**

1. **Prep Your Paper** -Lay three sheets of unfolded tissue paper down on a flat surface. Stacking them on top of each other.
2. **Fold Your Paper** -Place the tissue paper stack in front of you portrait style. Take the bottom edge and fold in over one inch. Then flip it over and fold it back on the other side. Continue folding your way up the paper one inch at a time. When you are done folding your tissue paper stack should look like an accordion.  
Fold that accordion in half and fold an inch and a half of a pipe cleaner around it. Then twist the pipe cleaner together to secure the flower to the stem. Adjust your pipe cleaners if necessary.
3. **Fluff and Finish Your Flowers!**
4. While holding your stem (pipe cleaner), gently open up the flower accordion and begin pulling the top layer straight up all the way around the flower. Be careful not to rip the delicate paper. You usually can't tell if it's been ripped.
5. Separate the other two layers by pulling the middle layer straight up toward the top layer, while pulling the bottom layer straight down.
6. Finally, flip the flower upside down and gently run your fingers from the center stem to the edge applying gentle pressure, pressing the bottom layer down toward the middle layer.



## Mother's Day Paper Necklace Project

Material not included- 5<sup>th</sup> grade and older

**Duration:** 45 minutes

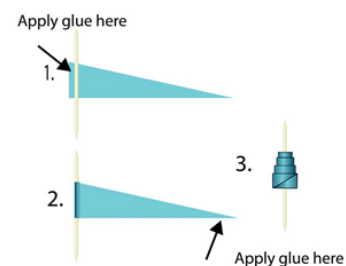
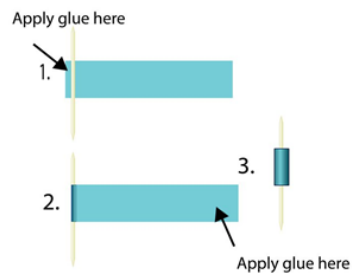
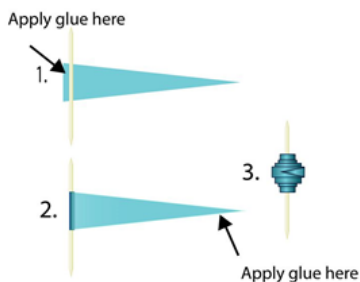
### Materials:

- Heavy weight paper or cardboard for templates
- Ruler
- Pen or Pencil
- Magazine pages or colorful paper
- Glue stick, or Elmer's Glue
- Scissors
- Wooden bamboo skewer, toothpick, large nail or knitting needle
- String, beading cord or elastic, heavyweight thread or yarn
- Found objects around the house, like old beads from a necklace to add to make it special to you
- Markers or paint (optional)
- Modpodge (optional)
- Imagination



### Instructions:

1. Draw out your templates first on a heavier weight paper.  
Use these images to pick which bead types you want templates for.





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1. Place your paper for your beads face down.
2. Using a pen or pencil, trace your bead paper template shapes onto the back of the sheet of paper. (You can draw the shapes directly onto the paper with a ruler)
3. Cut out the drawn shapes.
4. Place a toothpick or bamboo skewer on the long edge of the paper triangle (or one end of the tubular template style).
5. Roll the end of the triangle towards the pointy edge and secure the end with Elmer glue or a glue stick.
6. Allow the glue to dry.
7. If you like, you can use a marker or craft paint to color the ends of the beads.
8. Gently remove the toothpick.
9. Continue rolling beads until you have the desired amount of paper beads
10. Optional: Place aside until you are ready to seal and coat the beads with Mod Podge
11. String paper beads with other beads or trinkets of your choice. The possibilities are endless!

