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You will need
- Crepe or tissue paper
- Pencil
- Lightweight card
- Scissors
- Tacky glue (or a glue gun)

CUT

Draw your petal, leaf and stamen shapes on to card and cut them out

Lay out your templates in the same directions as the **grain of paper**. To find the grain, just tear a little bit. It will tear in a roughly straight line along the grain, but against the grain it will zig zag all over when you try to tear in

Cut out three or four petals shapes depending on your flower, along with one leaf shape and one strip of pale yellow for the stamen. Fray the stamen by carefully cutting it with your scissors

SHAPE

If you are using crepe paper, rub your nail along the centre of the leaf or petal to create a curved dish shape

If you are using normal tissue paper, place your thumb on the paper and press it firmly into the palm of your hand for a few seconds
When you lift it off, the paper will be shaped around your thumb. Peel it off carefully and reshape gently.

Roll up the stamen into a little bundle.

**STICK**

Place a little bead of tacky glue on the leaf and stick your petal across it. Repeat with all your petals.

Add a bigger bead of glue to the centre of the petals and place your stamen in.

If you are making a larger flower, wait ten minutes for the glue to dry and then pinch the back of the petals around the base of the stamen and shape the flower.

**DONE**

You can use different shapes and colours – on white flowers try adding a droplet of green or yellow food dye or watery paint to the centre. Try rolling tiny balls of tissue instead of stamen. Keep experimenting!
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