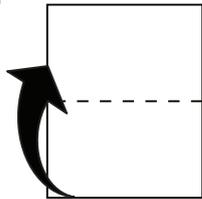# Christmas in the Philippines

Each Christmas in the Philippines *parols* are hung. Traditionally, parols were made from bamboo and rice paper but now many are created using flashing lights. Create a picture of a parol by following these easy steps!
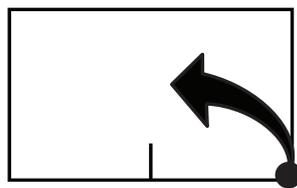
What you need

• A4 sheet of coloured paper

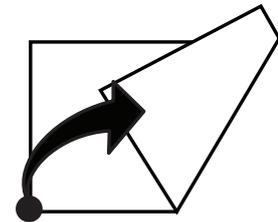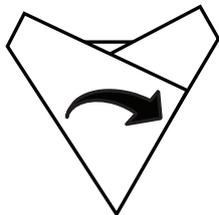• Coloured paper for mounting

• Scissors

What to do

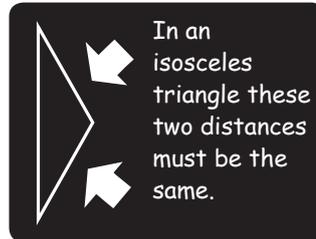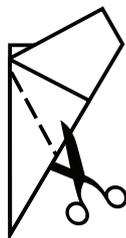1. Take an A4 sheet of paper and fold it in half as shown.

2. Fold it in half again but make only a small crease to show the middle. Fold the bottom right corner upwards to make a 60° angle.
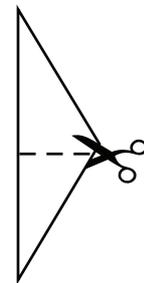
3. Fold the bottom left corner upwards to meet the right edge of the paper. You will get an ice-cream-cone shape.
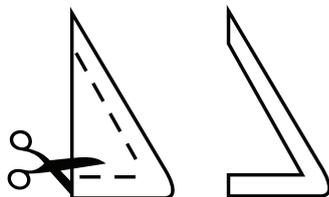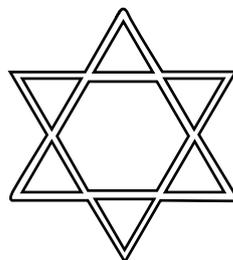
4. Fold this cone shape in half again.

5. Cut out a wedge as shown. You need to be left with an isosceles triangle.

In an isosceles triangle these two distances must be the same.

6. Cut off the bottom of the isosceles triangle as shown.

7. Cut out a smaller right-angle triangle from this shape. You should be left with a boomerang-shaped piece.

8. Gently unfold this piece to discover your six-pointed star!

To create the tassels, fringe two 5 cm x 4 cm pieces of coloured paper (the parols pictured feature duo-tone paper). Once fringed, roll these tassels up and secure with a small dab of glue.