

## Pom Poms & Snowflakes



Christmas is just around the corner – a perfect time to get creative and bring a little festive cheer to your home, or give a handmade gift to friends and family.

### To make your Pom Pom

You will need: yarn, scissors and something to wrap the yarn around – a junk mail envelope will do.

1. Wind the yarn around the envelope 100 times.
2. Run a piece of yarn between the wound pieces and the envelope and tie a strong knot, so all the yarn is gathered together. Leave enough yarn to form a loop that the pom pom can hang from.
3. Slide or cut the envelope away.
4. You will end up with two sets of loops, right and left. Cut the loops, do some fluffing and there is your pom pom.



### Taking it further...

You can hang your pom poms from a tree, sew them together to make wreaths, or blankets, attach them to the ends of scarves, or on top of hats. In the pictures below, they have used different materials: tissue paper folded 'concertina' style to create the enormous purple pom pom; and wrapped tulle fabric around two cardboard 'donuts' to create the pink one.



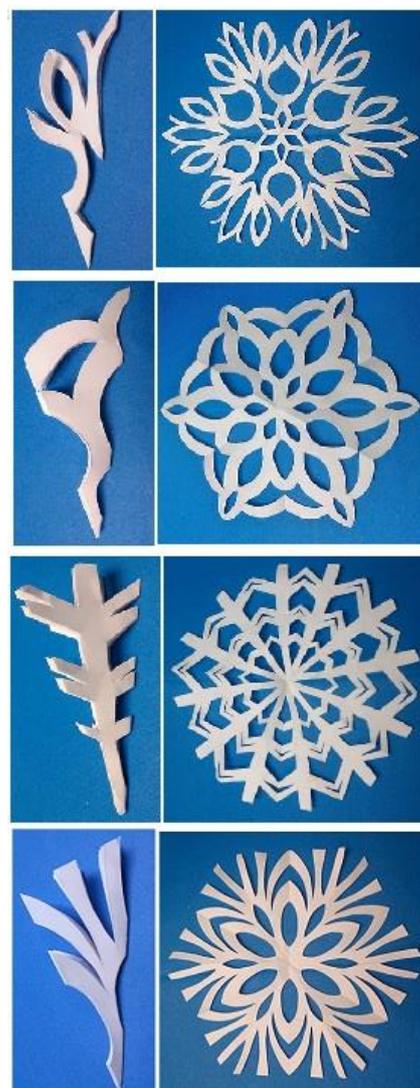
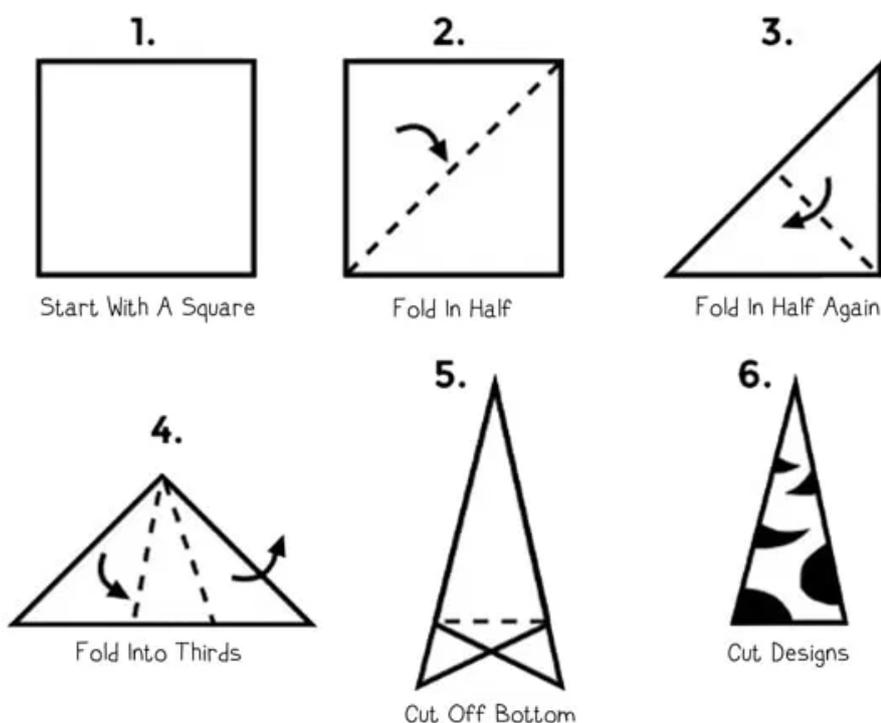


We have seen lots of rainbows adorning our windows recently; why not add a few seasonal snowflakes too? We can create our own little blizzard!

### To make your snowflake

All you need for this activity is paper and scissors. You may want a pencil to draw your designs, or just freestyle!

1. Start with a square piece of paper.
2. Fold it according to the diagram below.
3. Cut away shapes from the folded triangle – there are few examples below to give you some ideas.
4. Unfold to reveal your snowflake.



You can tape your snowflakes to your windows, put them on your tree, hang them in strings, use them as gift labels or wrapping paper decorations, make Christmas cards, and table runners. You can have just one or create a snowstorm!

We do hope you have fun with this. We wish you all a very **Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year** and are looking forward to seeing you all in 2021.

Do send us your photographs so we can share your Christmas creative efforts with all our CARM friends! Our email is: [rem@carmromneymarsh.org.uk](mailto:rem@carmromneymarsh.org.uk)

**Take care and stay safe xx**