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# Homemade Hanukkahs

A Hanukkah, or Hanukkah Menorah, is a menorah which is specifically used for the celebration of Hanukkah. It has 9 candles, one for each day of Hanukkah and an extra one to help light the other candles. During the celebration of Hanukkah, a new candle is lit on each of the 8 days to honor the miracles from over 2000 years ago. These miracles include the victory for religious freedom from the Greek-Syrians and the story of how a little bit of oil, enough for only one day, kept their candles burning for 8 nights! With every candle we light, we focus on seeking light in the darkness in our daily lives and keeping the light of religious freedom burning for all.

# 1



### Gather materials:

- 2 Pieces of Cardboard
- 9 Clothes Pins
- Orange Pipe Cleaners
- Paint
- Markers
- Paintbrush
- Scissors
- Glue

# 2



Create the base of your Hanukkah by cutting a piece of cardboard into one long rectangle of your desired size. The one pictured here is 12 inches long.

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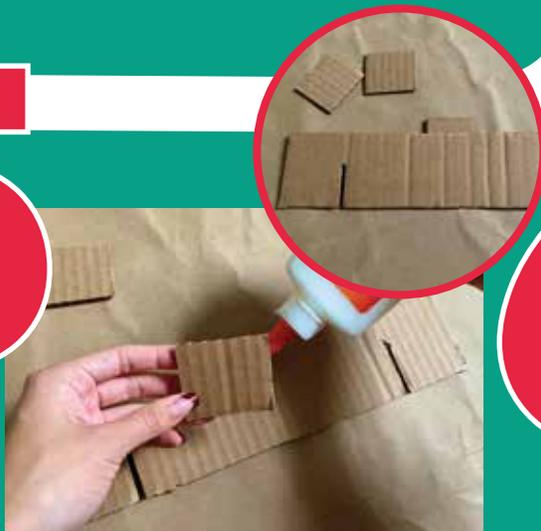
Cut 3 small squares about 2 inches in length and 2 inches in width out of any leftover cardboard.

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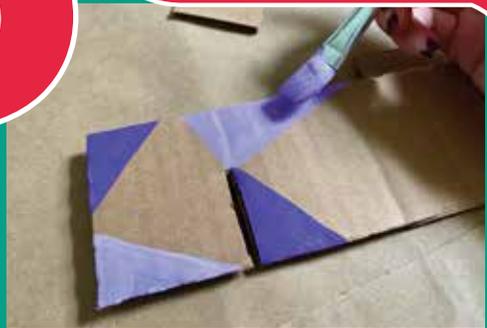
Cut two slits about 1 inch thick into your large rectangle. Be sure to cut each slit about 2 inches from either edge.

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Glue one of the small square pieces into the very center of your large rectangular base, opposite from the side with slits. Make sure that half of the rectangle is overlapping off the edge.

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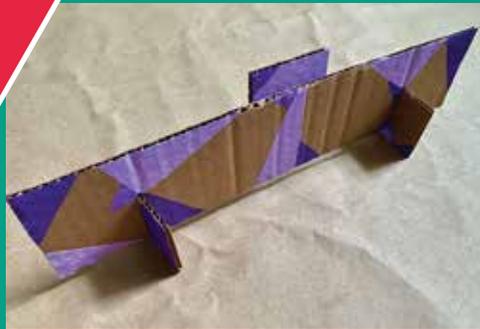
Decorate all your cardboard pieces using paint. Be as creative as you'd like!

**NOTE:**

You can use any other decorative elements you'd like for this step: stickers, sequins, yarn, pom poms, be creative!



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Once all your pieces are dry, slide in two of the small squares into the slits of your large rectangle. This will create a standing base for your Hanukkah.

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Using markers, color and decorate your clothes pins. These will be our candles!

**NOTE:**  
This is great for your little one's fine motor skills!

9



Pinch your clothes pins onto your Hanukkah. Space them out so that you have 4 on one side, 4 on the other, and 1 on the taller bit of cardboard sticking out in the center.

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Cut your orange pipe cleaners into 9 small segments about 3-4 inches long.

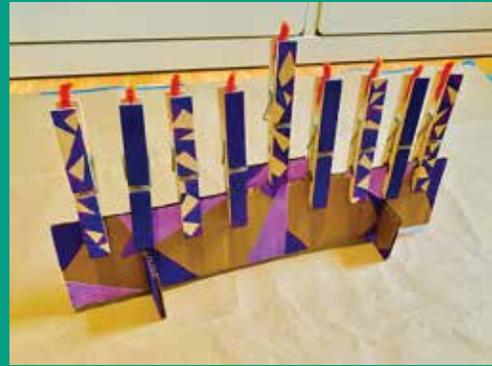


# 11



Twist your pipe cleaners to create a flame shape for your candles.

# 12



Use glue to secure each flame onto the top of each candle or twist the pipe cleaner around the top to secure. You can do the flames all at once or wait to "light" your candle as each day arrives! Happy Hanukkah!