

Hanukkah Lamp Sculpture



Hanukkah lamps come in all different shapes and sizes. Hanukkah is a celebration of freedom, and this lamp is made of found objects that symbolize American freedom. A found-object sculpture is made from objects the artist reuses in a creative way. Mae Rockland Tupa includes Statue of Liberty figurines, fabric printed with the American flag, and wood in her sculpture.

Materials you will need:

Strip of cardboard approximately 5 x 10 inches

Scissors

White glue or wood glue

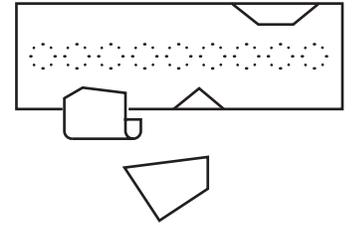
Small objects such as spools, bottle caps, bolts, corks, buttons, or used batteries

Used paper such as newspaper, magazines, or wrapping paper

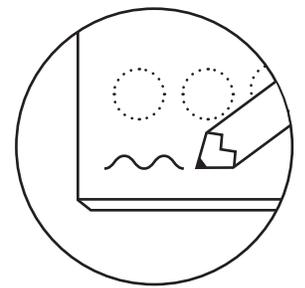


Create Your Own Hanukkah Lamp Sculpture

1 Use the strip of cardboard as a base for your Hanukkah lamp. Cut out interesting designs or images from wrapping paper, magazines or newspapers, and glue and/or wrap them onto your cardboard base.

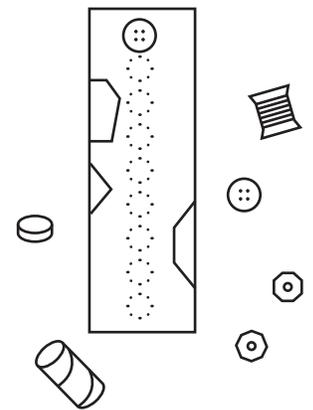


2 Take some time to think about what Hanukkah means to you. You might want to write down some of your ideas on the base of your lamp with markers. Since you will be gluing objects onto this base, make sure to keep your writing toward the edges.



3 Spend some time gluing and arranging your objects onto the base of your Hanukkah lamp in an interesting way.

4 Decide which objects you want to use to represent eight candles and a helper candle, or *shamash*. Try combining small stacks of metal bolts, spools, plastic bottle caps, and/or buttons and then glue them together.



5 Your Hanukkah lamp sculpture is finished! Put it in a special place for the holiday. Remember, this is not a usable lamp. If you used candles in your sculpture, do not light them, as it is not safe. Enjoy your sculpture as a work of art.

