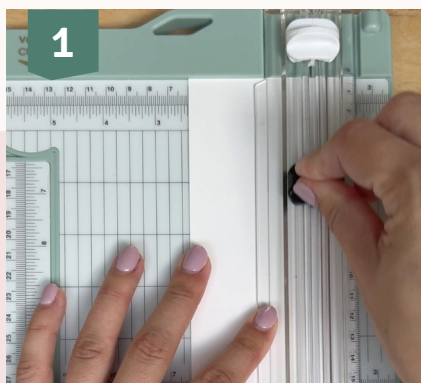




Autumn crafting with kids: Mushrooms

With just paper, glue and scissors, you can enjoy a cheerful craft activity for children: making colourful mushrooms. Fun on a rainy afternoon and perfect as autumn decoration!



1 Start with sturdy white paper (cardstock). Cut strips of about 3.1 x 4.7 inches (8 x 12 cm). Score a fold line 0.8 inches (2 cm) from one long side.



2 Cut strips in different sizes to create mushrooms with both short and tall stems. The fold line should always be at 0.8 inches (2 cm).



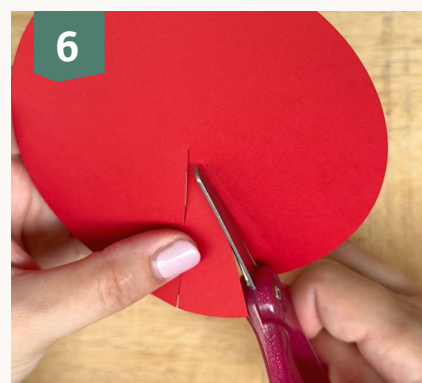
3 Roll each strip into a tube, with the fold line at the bottom, and glue the ends together.



4 Once the glue is dry, cut small slits up to the 0.8 inches (2 cm) fold line. Fold the little flaps outwards.



5 For the caps, cut circles out of red paper using a circle cutter. Vary the size (3.1 to 4.7 inches / 8 to 12 cm in diameter).



6 Cut a small triangle from the circle, right to the centre.

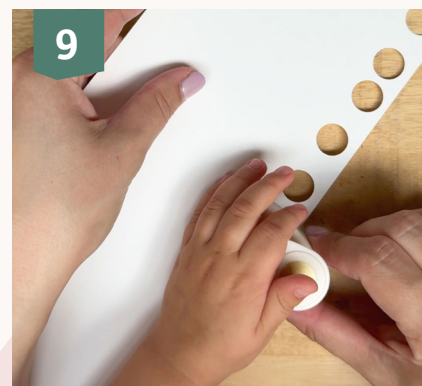




Fold the circle into a cone-shaped cap and glue the edges in place. Attach the stem to the underside of the red cap.



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Punch or cut small white circles out of white paper to make spots.



Stick the spots onto the cap and your cheerful mushroom is finished!

