

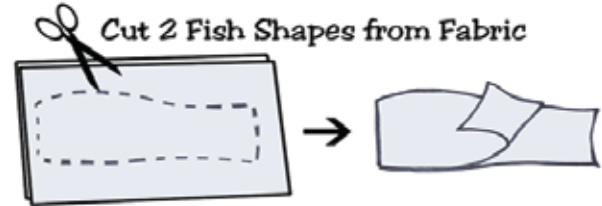
Koinobori Craft

Koinobori is the name for the carp-shaped banners that decorate Japanese homes on Children's Day. Follow the instructions below to make your very own koinobori!

MATERIALS

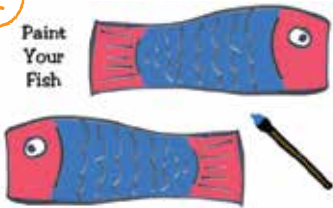
- White fabric (old pillowcase)
- Cardboard (cereal box)
- Scissors
- Stapler
- Fabric paint
- Hole puncher
- Fabric glue
- String
- Ribbon

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Cut 2 Fish Shapes from Fabric
 Make your fish shapes long and with smooth curves, about the size of your hand.

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Paint one side of each piece of fabric.

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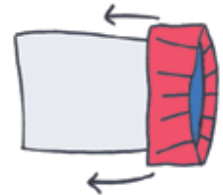
Glue the 2 Pieces Together



Once the paint is dry, place glue along the edges of one of the pieces of fabric. Turn the second piece upside down and glue the painted sides together.

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Turn Streamer Color Side Out



Once the glue is dry, turn the fish inside out.

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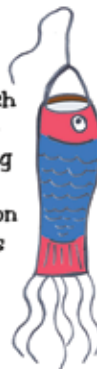
Insert the Cardboard Loop



Cut your cardboard into a strip (about 1 inch wide and 1 foot long). Loop the cardboard into a ring and slide it into the mouth of the fish. Staple it in place.

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Attach Top String & Ribbon Tails



Punch a hole on each side of the fish's mouth and tie each end of your string to either hole. Decorate the fish's tail with ribbon.