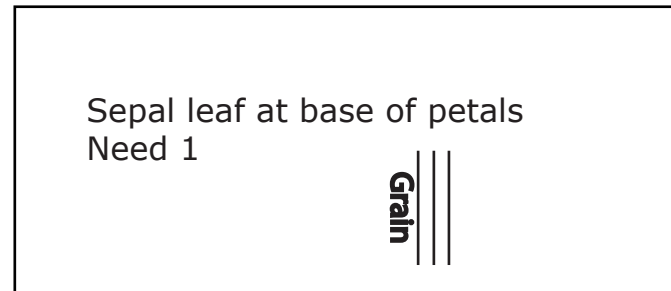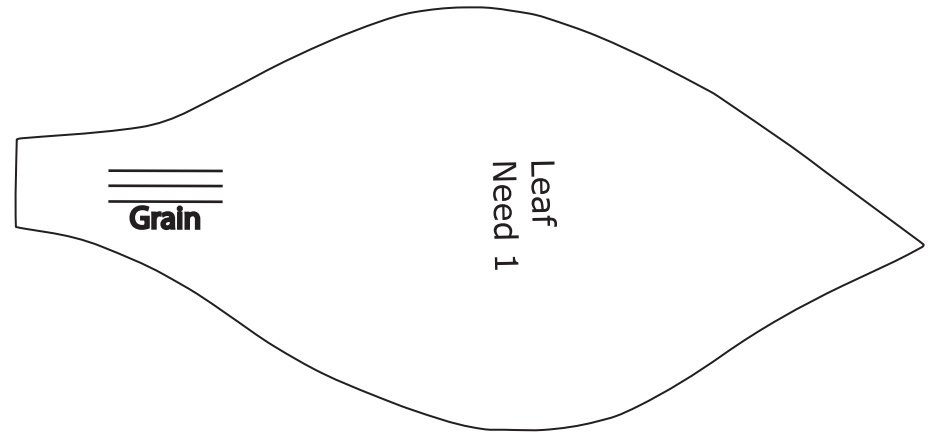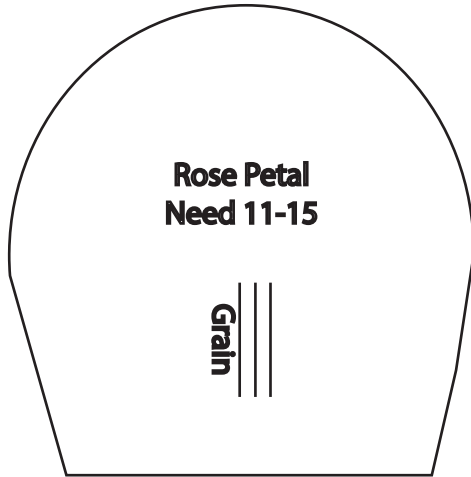# COLAB
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Materials

- Crepe paper
- Green crepe paper
- Floral wire
- Floral tape
- Tacky glue
- Scissors
- Round pencil
- Pen or pencil
- Needle nose pliers

ROSE TEMPLATE

**Rose Petal
Need 11-15**

Grain

Leaf
Need 1

Grain

Sepal leaf at base of petals
Need 1

Grain

Step 1: Prepare Your Petals

Before you start, you will need to cut and shape all of your petals:

1.
Fold several layers of your crepe paper over so that you can cut multiple petals at one time.

2.
Carefully trace the pattern using a thin marker that won't bleed. Be sure the grain of your paper matches the indicator guide lines on the pattern.

3.
Cut out your petals. You will need 11-15 depending on how full you wish to make the rose.

4.
Roll your petals from top to bottom using your pencil. This will create the outward curl of blooming petals.
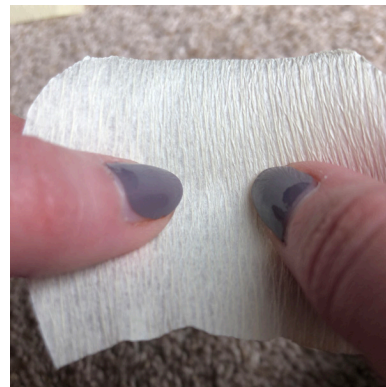
5.
With the curl facing away from you, gently shape the middle of your petals into a cup shape by pulling with your thumbs.

6.
Your petals should be shaped similar to this, with the cupped portion and the curl both extending in the same direction. Repeat with all petals.

Step 2: Prepare Your Wire

Experiment with making the loop different sizes to help shape the bulbous part of the rose.

1.
Cut your wires to the desired stem length.

2.
Use pliers to bend one end of the wire into a loop.

3.
Experiment with making the loop different sizes to help shape the bulbous part of the rose.

Step 3: Create Your Rose

Experiment with the shape, number, and placement of petals to craft the rose you want:

1.
Practice rolling the first petal onto the wire and experiment with placement to get it the way you want. The curl should point away from you.

2.
When ready, add glue down the left side of the petal and along the bottom.

3.
Roll your first petal onto the wire and glue it in the desired placement.

4.
Continue adding petals. Be sure to stagger petal placement to ensure the rose appears full.
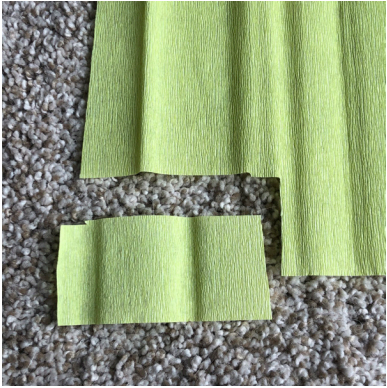

5.
Once the flower gets larger, petal placement may be more easily accomplished by starting in the middle and smoothing down each side.
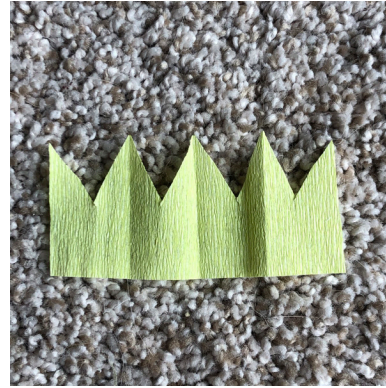

6.
Continue adding petals until your flower is the desired fullness. As you get further out, you may want to place petals slightly down the stem to give it a blooming effect.

7.
Use the template and cut a rectangle from the green crepe paper. The grain should stretch along the short side of the rectangle.

8.
Fold the rectangle in half on the long side. Fold it in half again.

9.
Cut a deep V out of the folded rectangle.

10.
Open your rectangle. It should look something like this.

11.
Gently twist the ends of the triangles to make them look more natural.
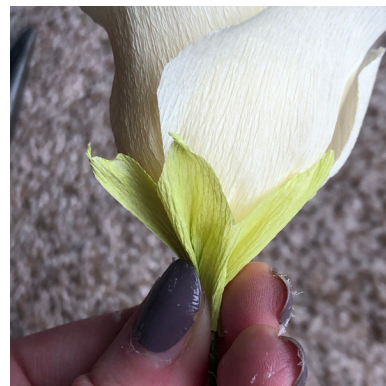
12.
Shape the green sepal leaves around the base of the petals. This is a perfect way to hide any seams or bobbles.

13.
Glue the sepal in place and finish any necessary shaping.

14.
Wrap the floral tape around the base of the sepal. Stretch the tape as you wrap to make it stick. Put a dot of glue on the end if necessary to hold it in place.

15.
Wrap the entire stem in floral tape by stretching and wrapping diagonally as you rotate the stem.

16.
Put a dot of glue on the end of the tape to hold it in place before wrapping it tightly around the bottom of the stem.

17.
Congratulations! Your first paper rose is finished.