

SCIENCE ACTIVITY

BLOOMING FLOWERS IN WATER

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What you need:

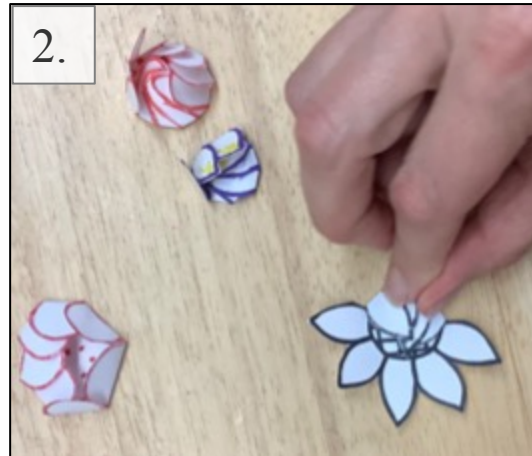
- Paper
- Scissors
- Markers
- Clear bowl
- Water



Steps:



1. Draw flowers on paper and color them. Then cut out the flowers.



2. Fold the flowers inwards, petal by petal.



3. Fill the bowl almost to the brim with water. Then take the folded flowers and put them carefully on the water surface one by one.



4. Watch the flowers bloom. You and your child will notice that some take longer than others.

5. The flowers slowly open up and show their middle.

You can do this with your child:



6. All the flowers have bloomed.
Try this “magic” trick,
the self-opening flowers
on water!

- Ask your child which flower was their favorite. Did some of their flowers bloom faster than others? Do they know why?

** This fun science activity works because paper can absorb liquid. The paper expands when it gets wet, and the folds and creases it had is smoothed out.