

PAPER HAT TUTORIAL

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In this tutorial we will be making three quick and easy paper hats, perfect for creative play. Be sure to read the instructions all the way through before you start.

PROJECT TIME:

About 10 minutes for each paper hat

WHAT YOU WILL NEED:

- Construction paper
- Scissors
- Stapler
- Glue
- Tape
- Decorative elements
like feathers and
decorative papers

**HAT 1:
LADYBOW HAT**



STEP 1

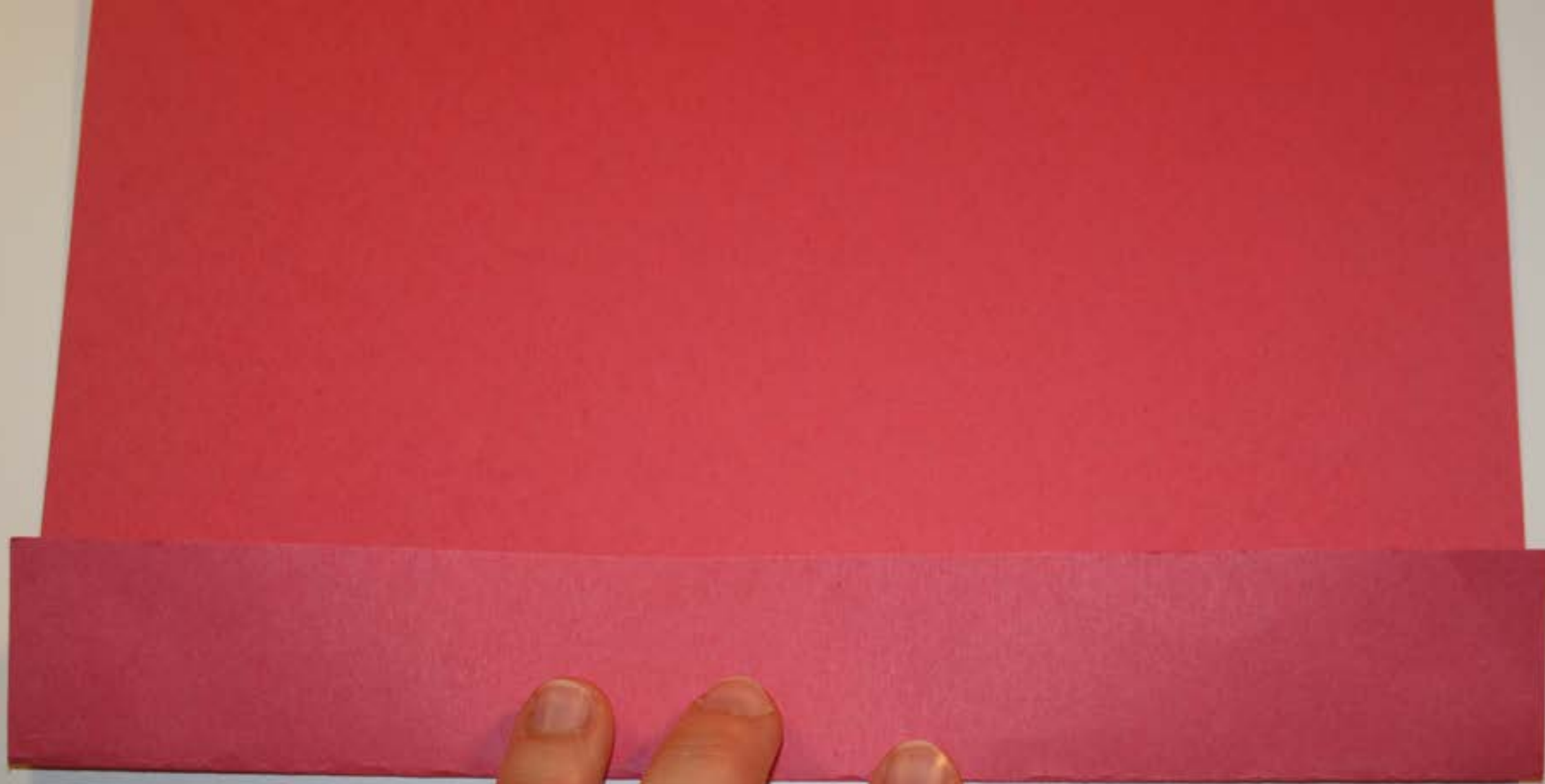
We'll start with the bow. Get three pieces of construction paper, color of your choice.

Tip: For a colorful bow, you can pick three different colors of construction paper.



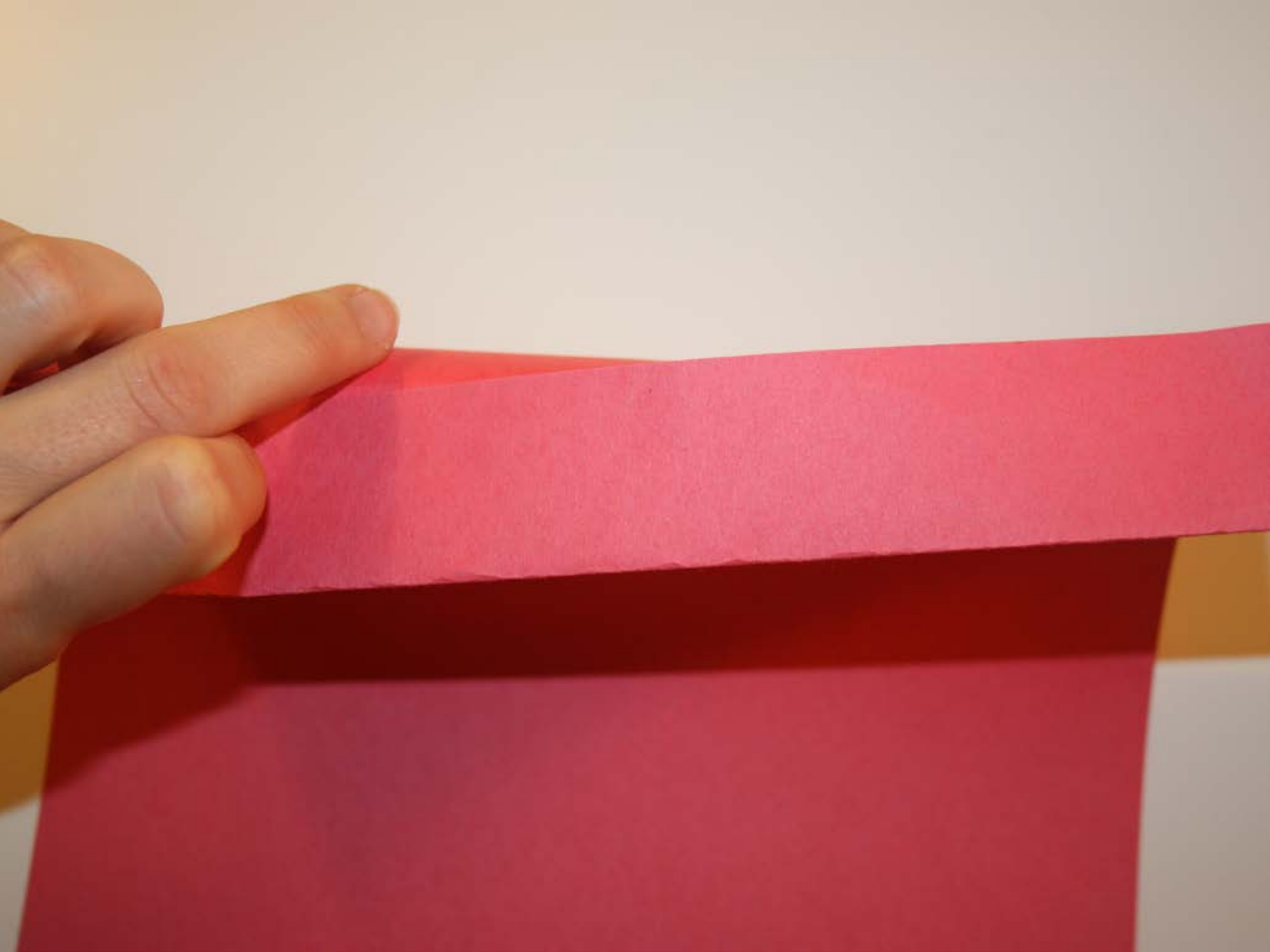
STEP 2

Fold like shown in the picture about 1” along the shorter side of the paper.



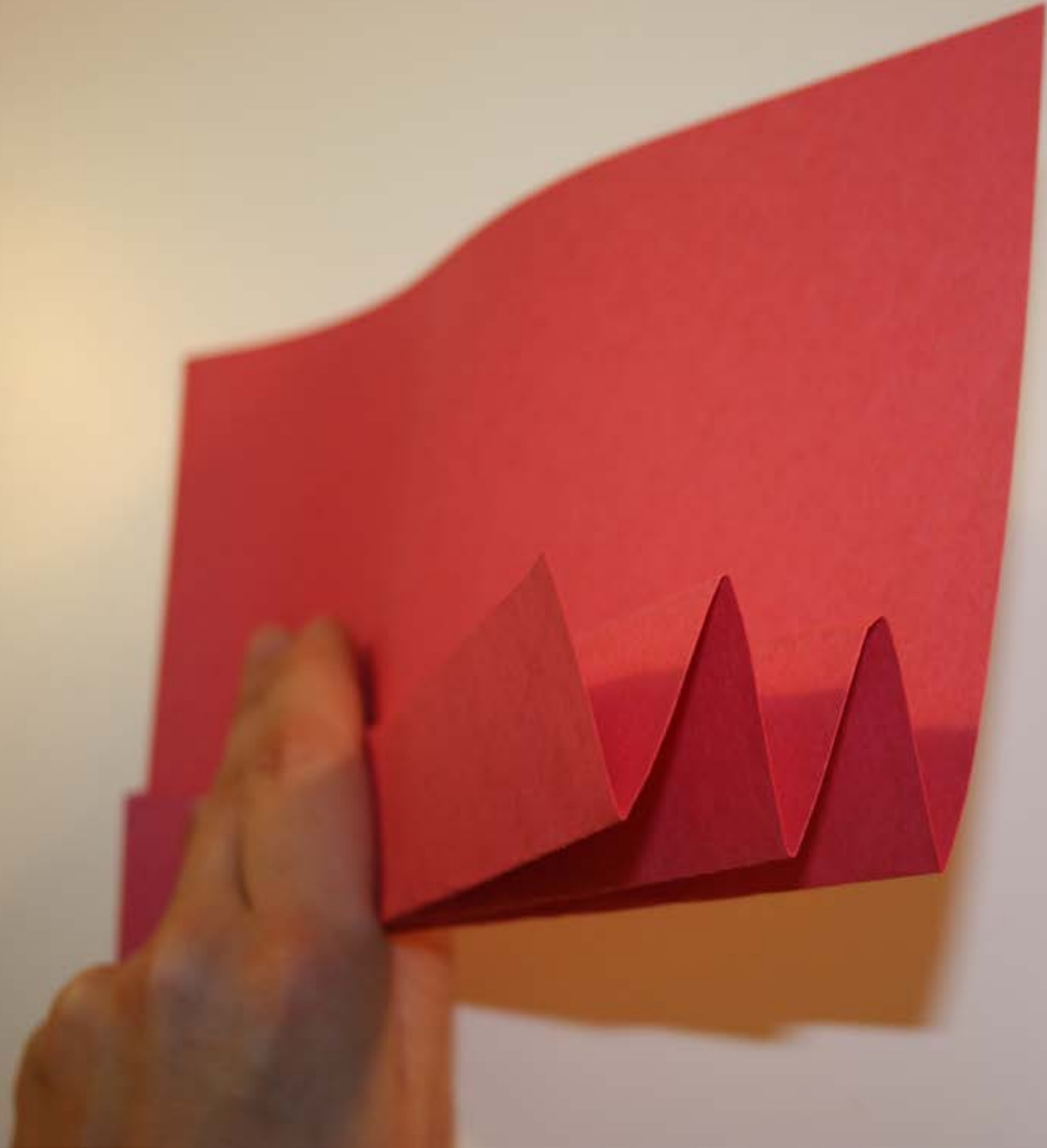
STEP 3

Turn the paper upside down and fold it again 1” towards the other direction.
Repeat the same steps until you make it to the end.



STEP 4

Do the same with the other two construction papers.



STEP 5

When you have the 3 pieces of paper nicely folded, cut a piece of tape and put them one next to the other pressing the center and tie the tape around it.





STEP 6

You can leave it like that or make a 'rounded' bow. If you decide to make a rounded bow, you just have to get the end of one side and the end of the other side and tape it or staple it so they stay together. Do the same with the other side.



STEP 7

To add a little fun element to the bow, I made a pompom* and tied it around the center with the two pieces of yarn that tie the pompom.

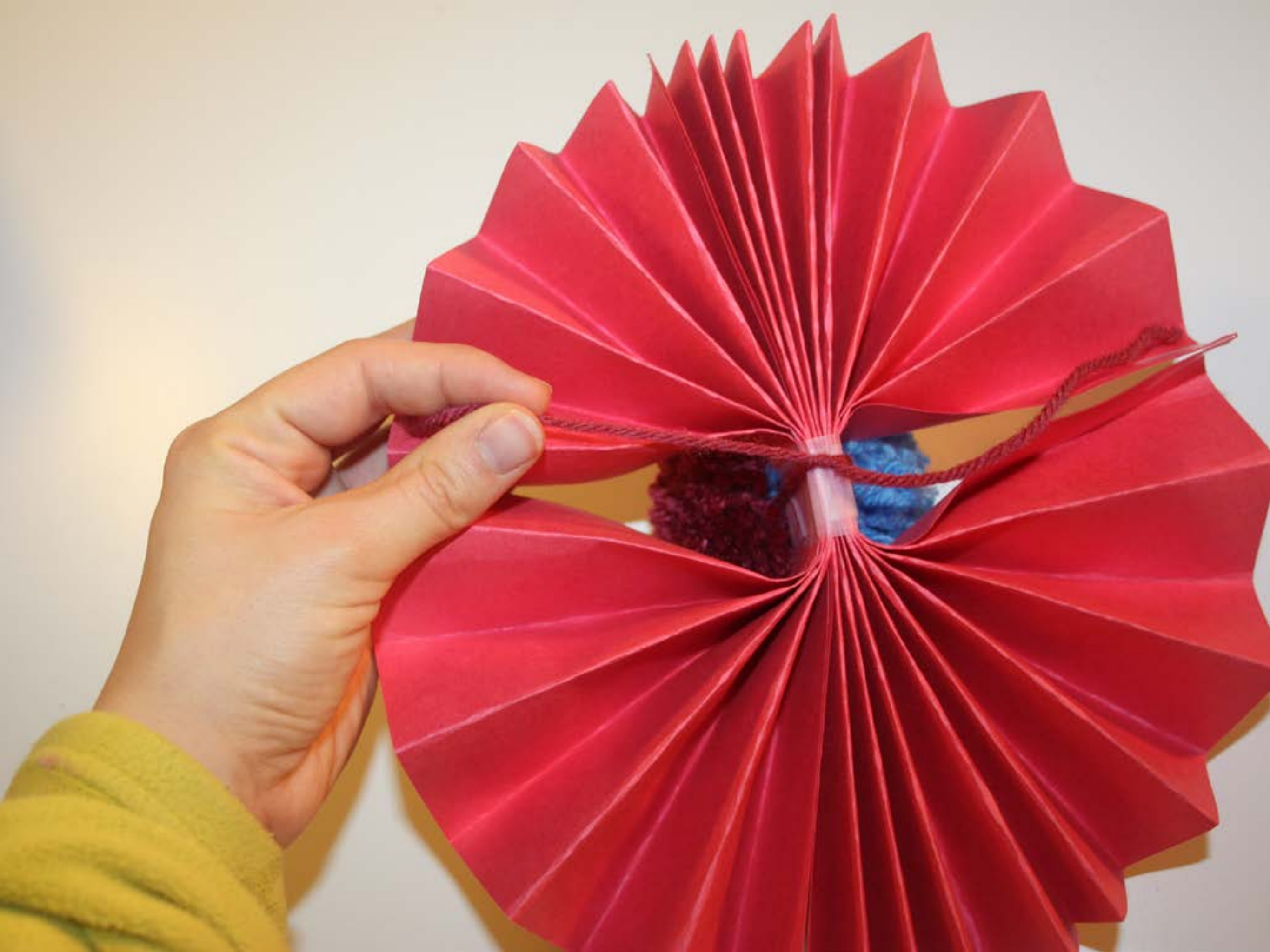
**Tip: I made the pompom with a pompom maker from the brand Clover, which you can find at any craft store.*



STEP 8

See pictures below to see how I attached the pompom around the center of the bow.





STEP 9

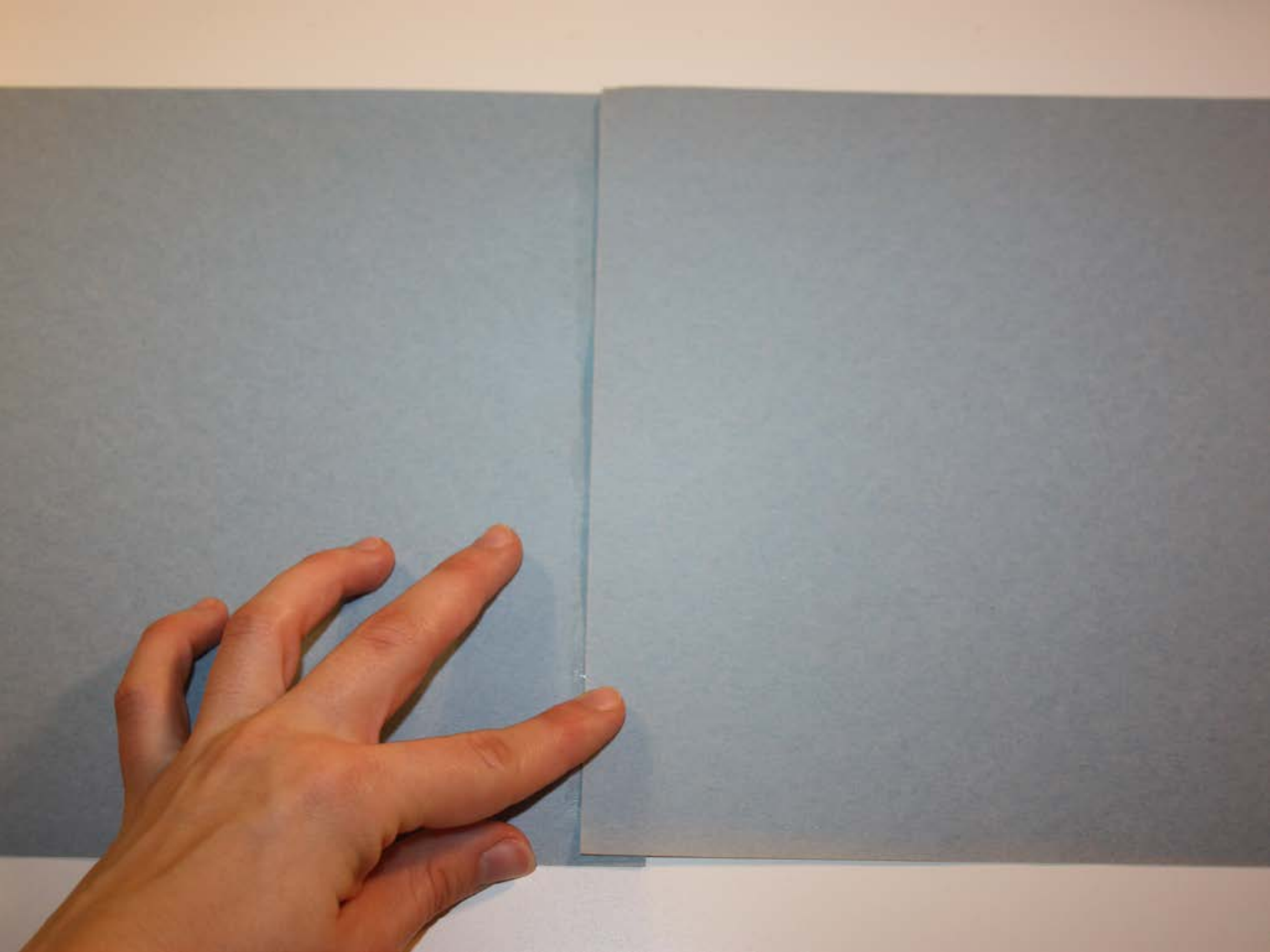
When you are done with the bow we can start with the base of the hat. Take two construction papers, color of your choice.



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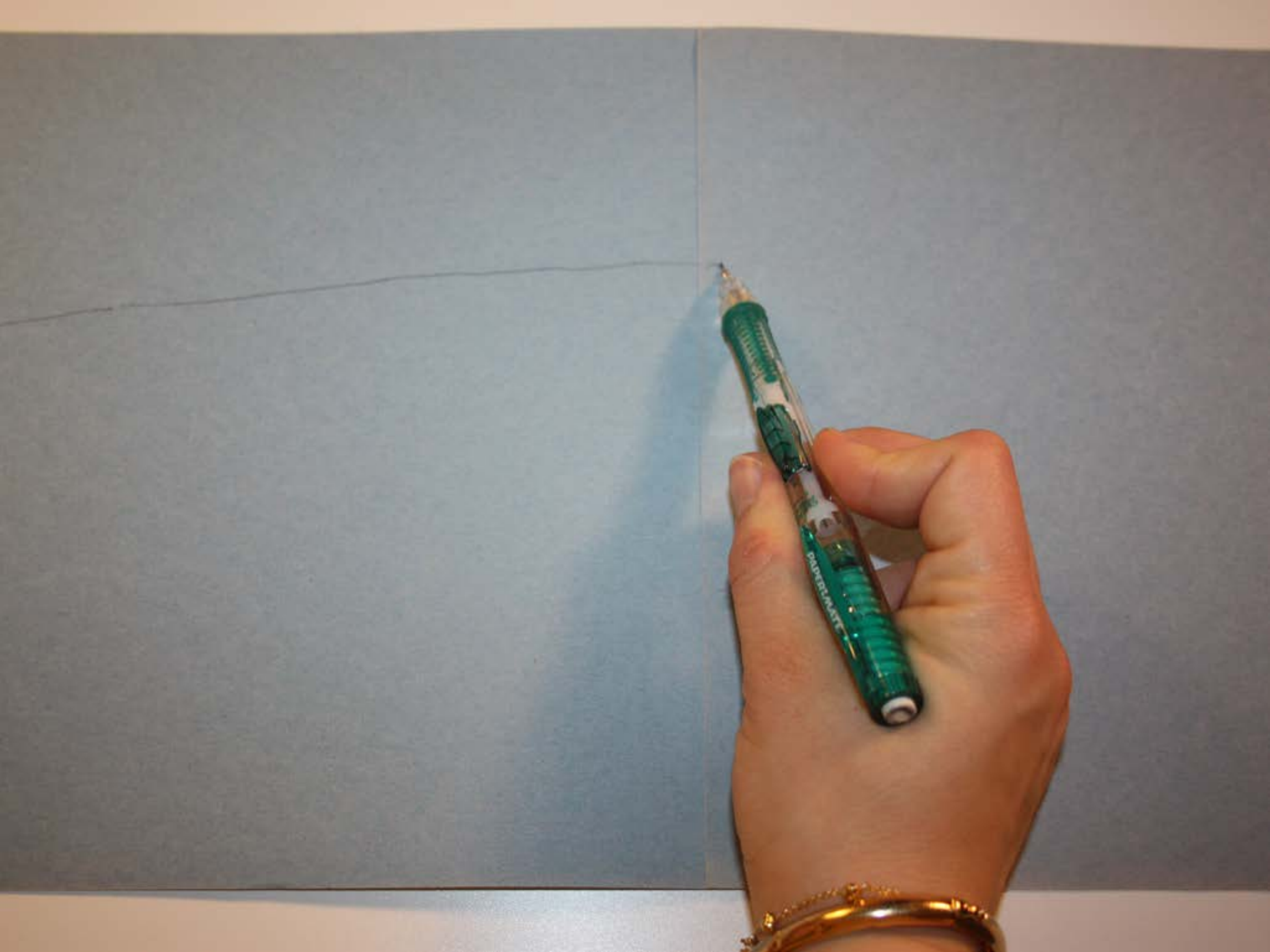
Glue about 1/2'' around one of the sides of the paper and overlap the other paper to attach them together.





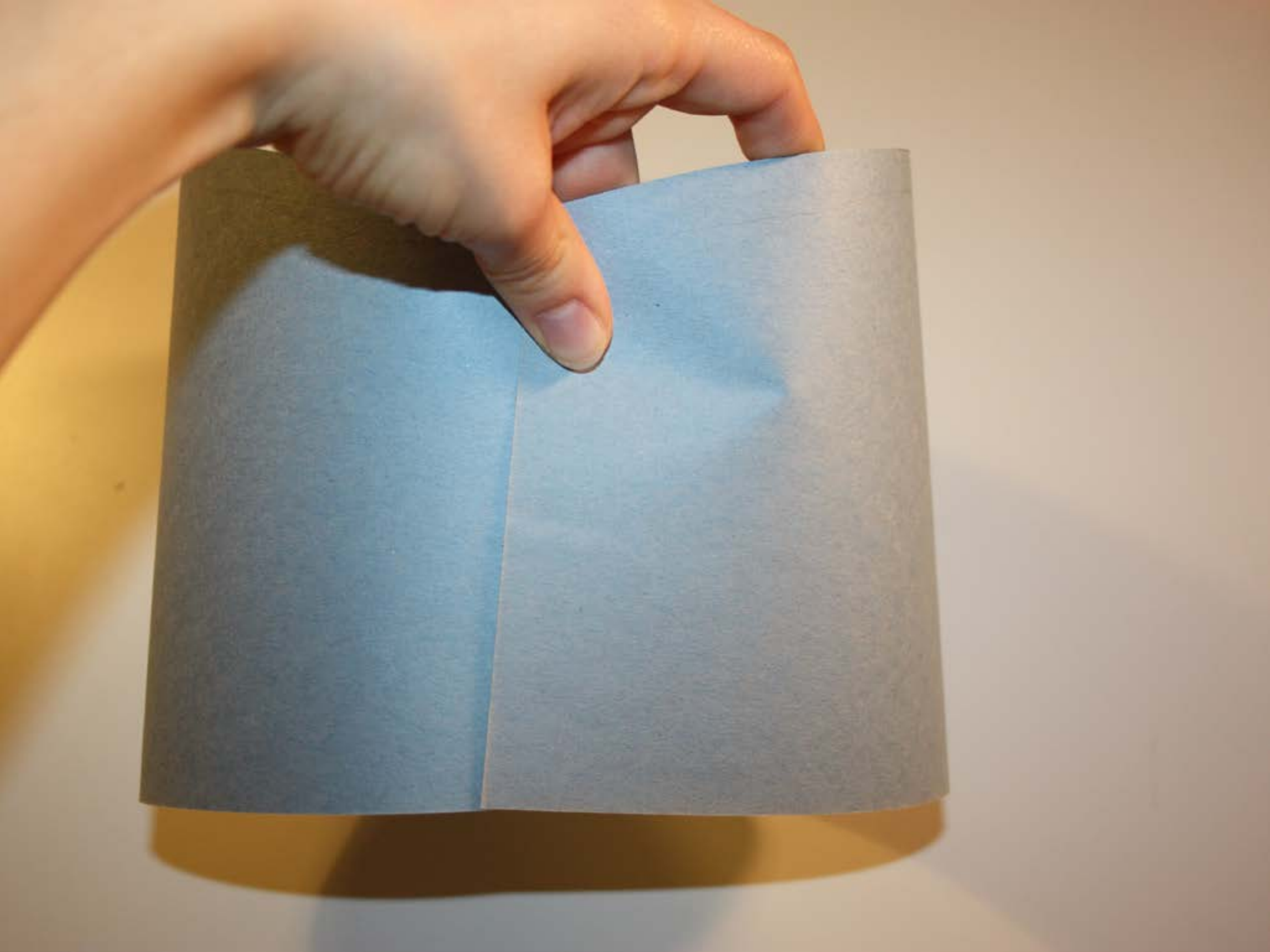
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When the two papers are glued together, draw a curved line across the paper to have a reference to where you want to cut like shown in the picture.



STEP 12

Cut across the line.



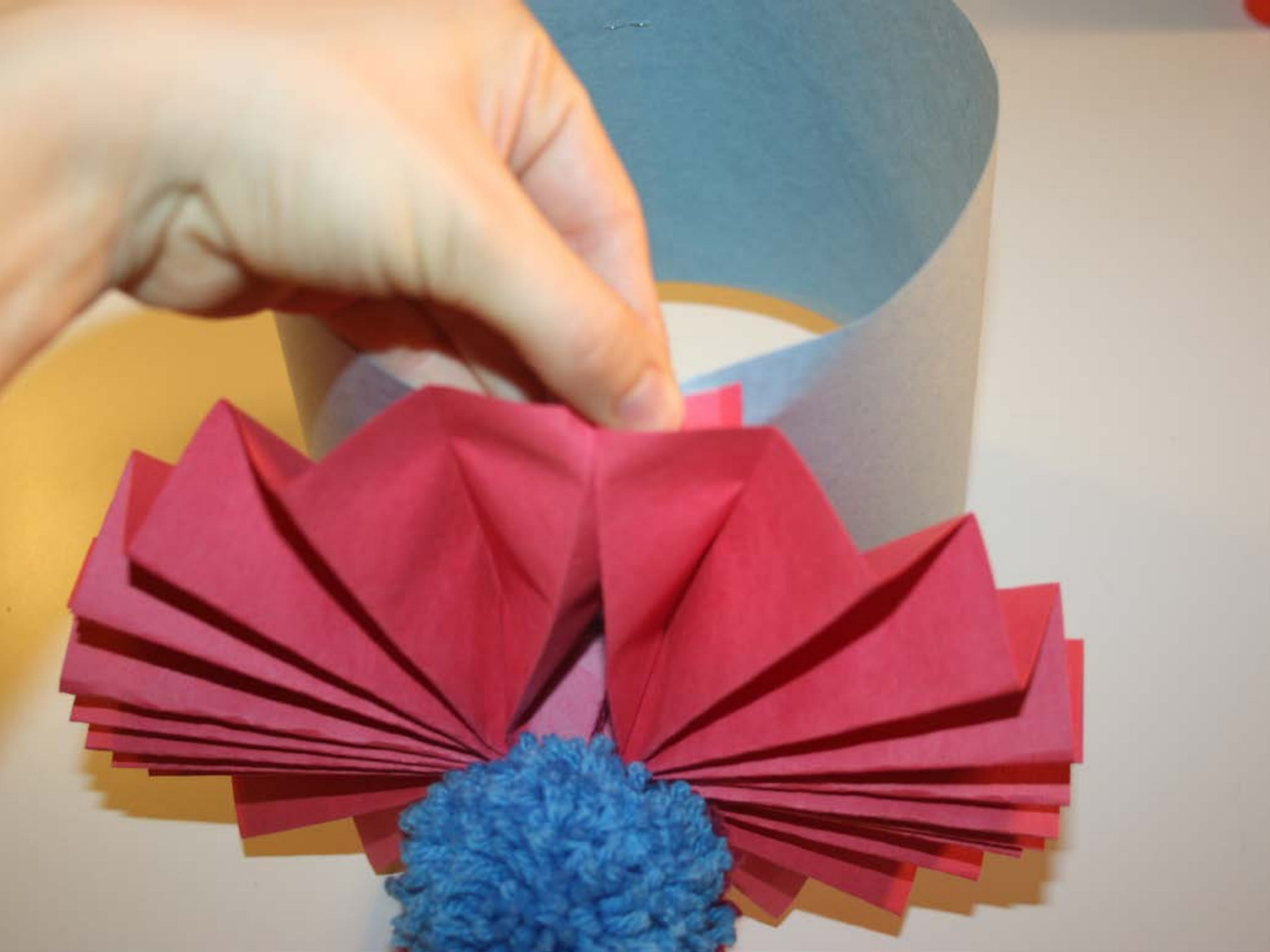
STEP 13

Put it around your kid's head to fit, and staple or glue to attach the ends together.

STEP 14

Now it's time to attach the bow to the base of the hat. The best way to do it is to staple one side of the bow to the base, and staple it again on the bottom of the bow.





STEP 15 *(optional)*

This is another option of design to make them a little different.





HAT 2: PAPER FEATHER HAT



STEP 1

We are going to start making the feathers. Choose colorful construction paper, about 7 or 8. Cut them out in the shape shown in the picture.



STEP 2

Do small cuts in diagonal along the edge.



STEP 3

Get one other piece of construction paper, color of your choice.



STEP 4

Fold it in half like shown in the picture.



STEP 5

Cut it following the folded line.



STEP 6

Fold it again in half in the same direction.



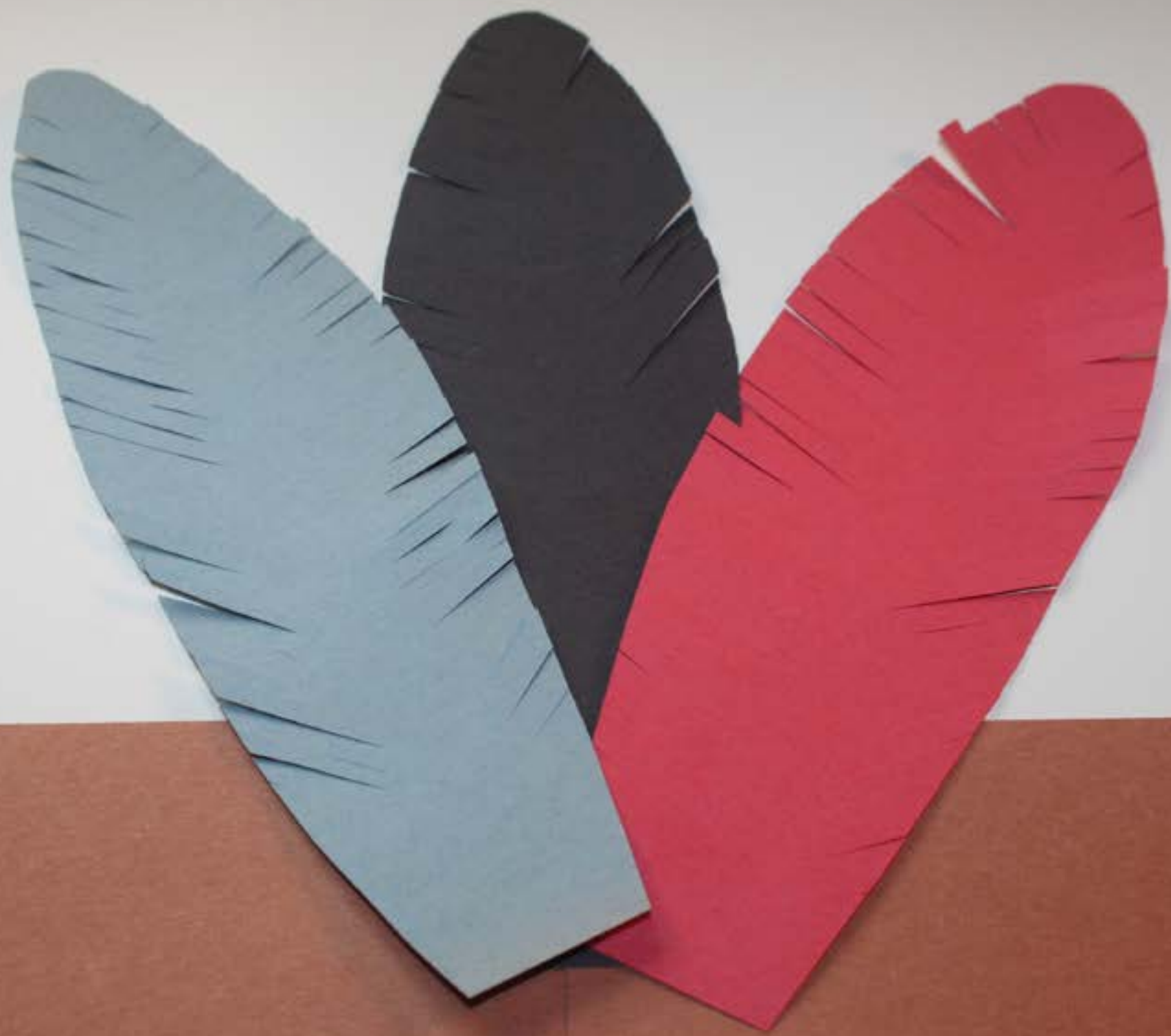
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Overlap two of the edges and staple it or glue it.



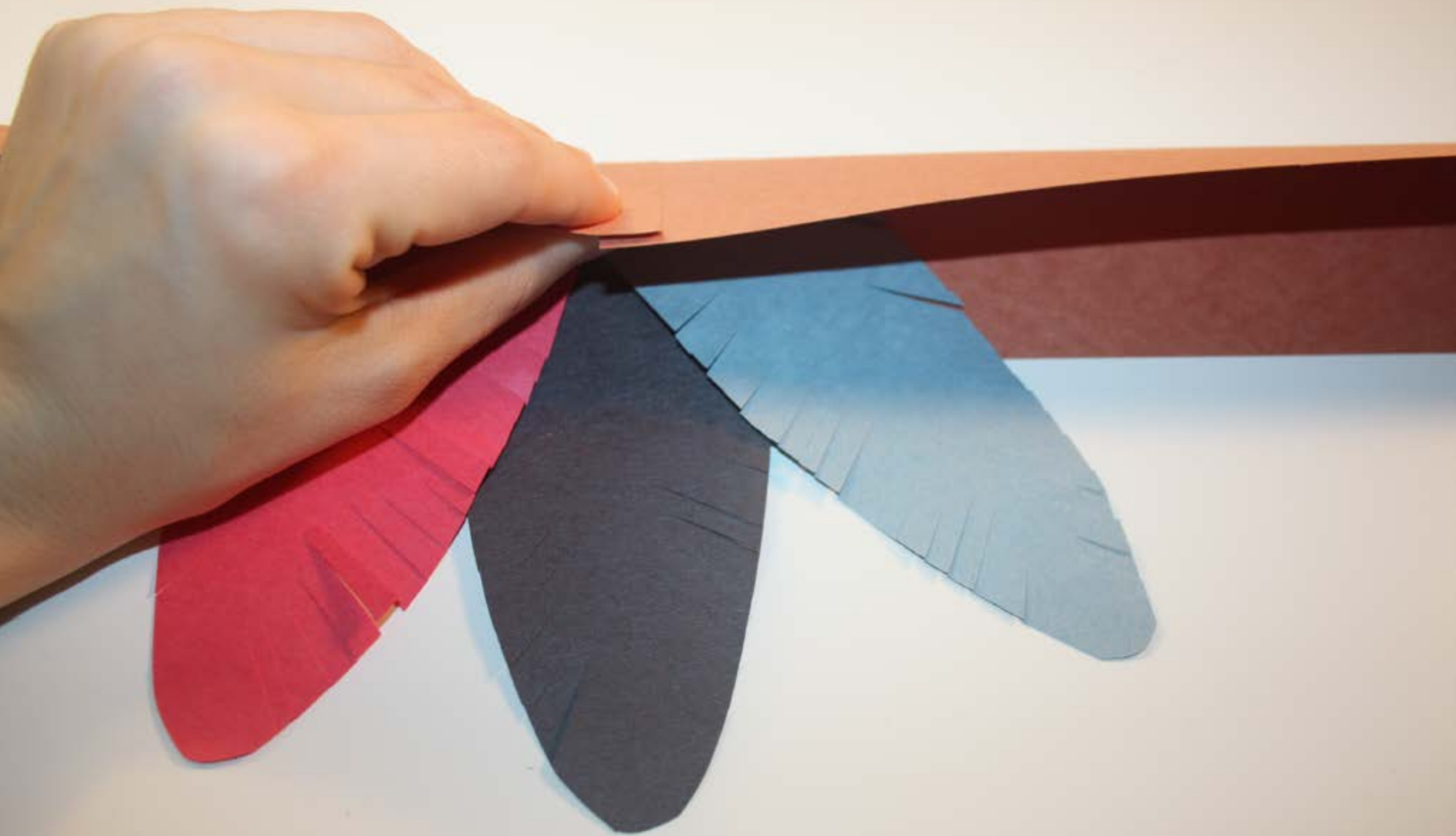
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Take three of the feathers we made in the first steps and place them in between the folded band holding them in place with a small piece of tape or gluing them.



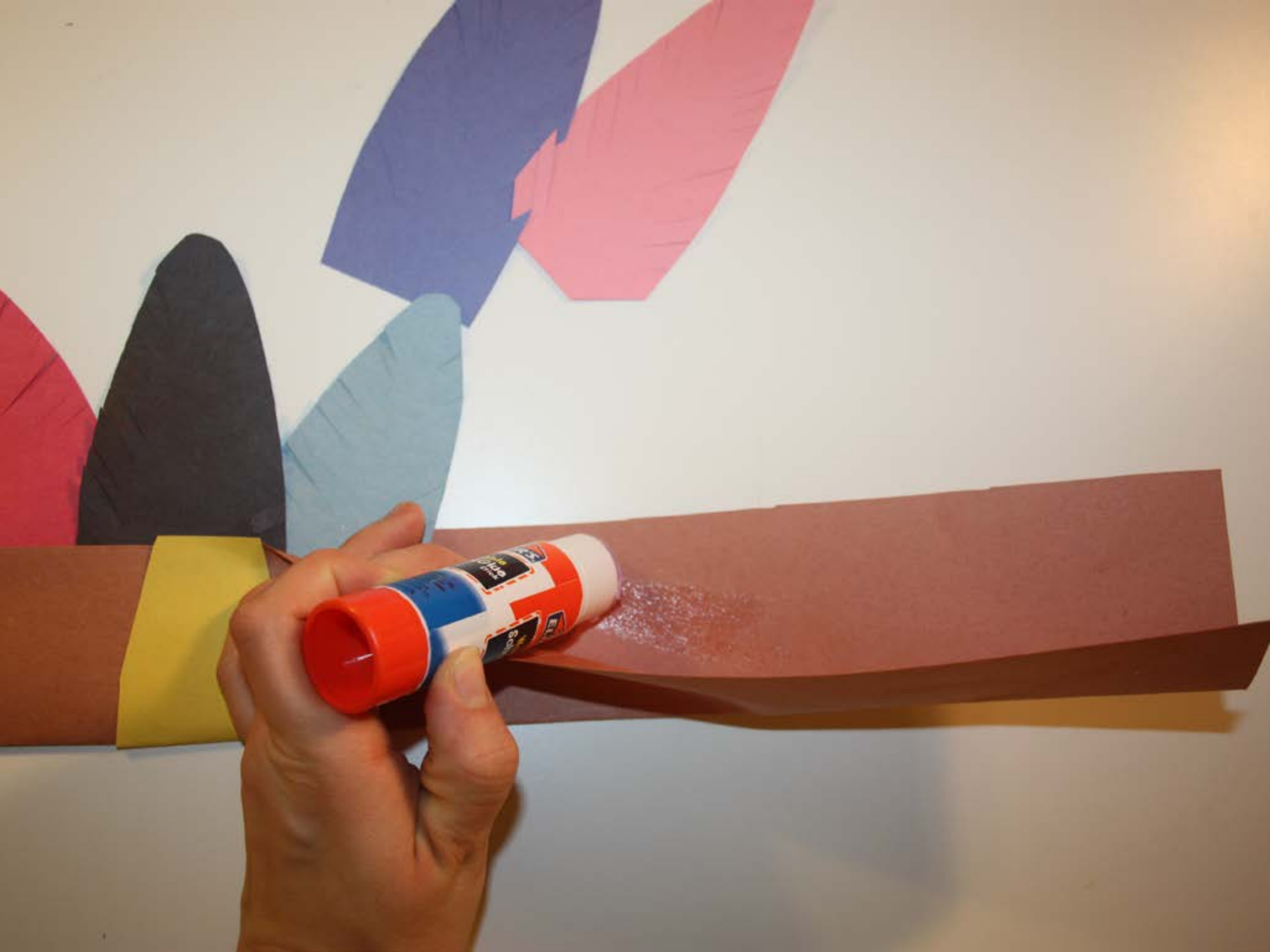
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Fold it so that it sticks. You can also staple it.



STEP 10

Repeat the same process for the rest of the feathers placing them across the band.





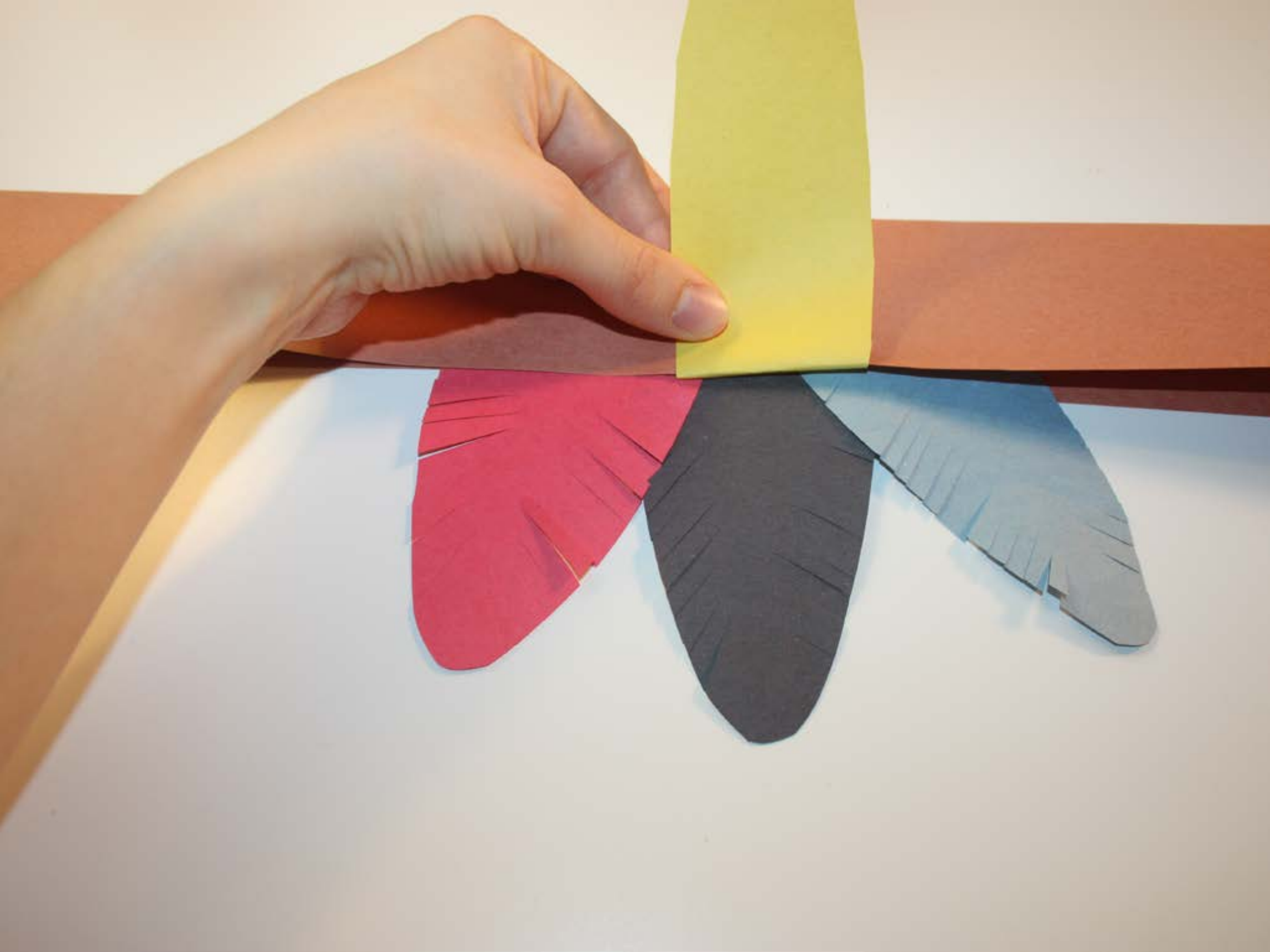
STEP 11

When you finish it should look like this.



STEP 12
(Optional)

Cut one piece of paper in another color to put in the center of the headband.



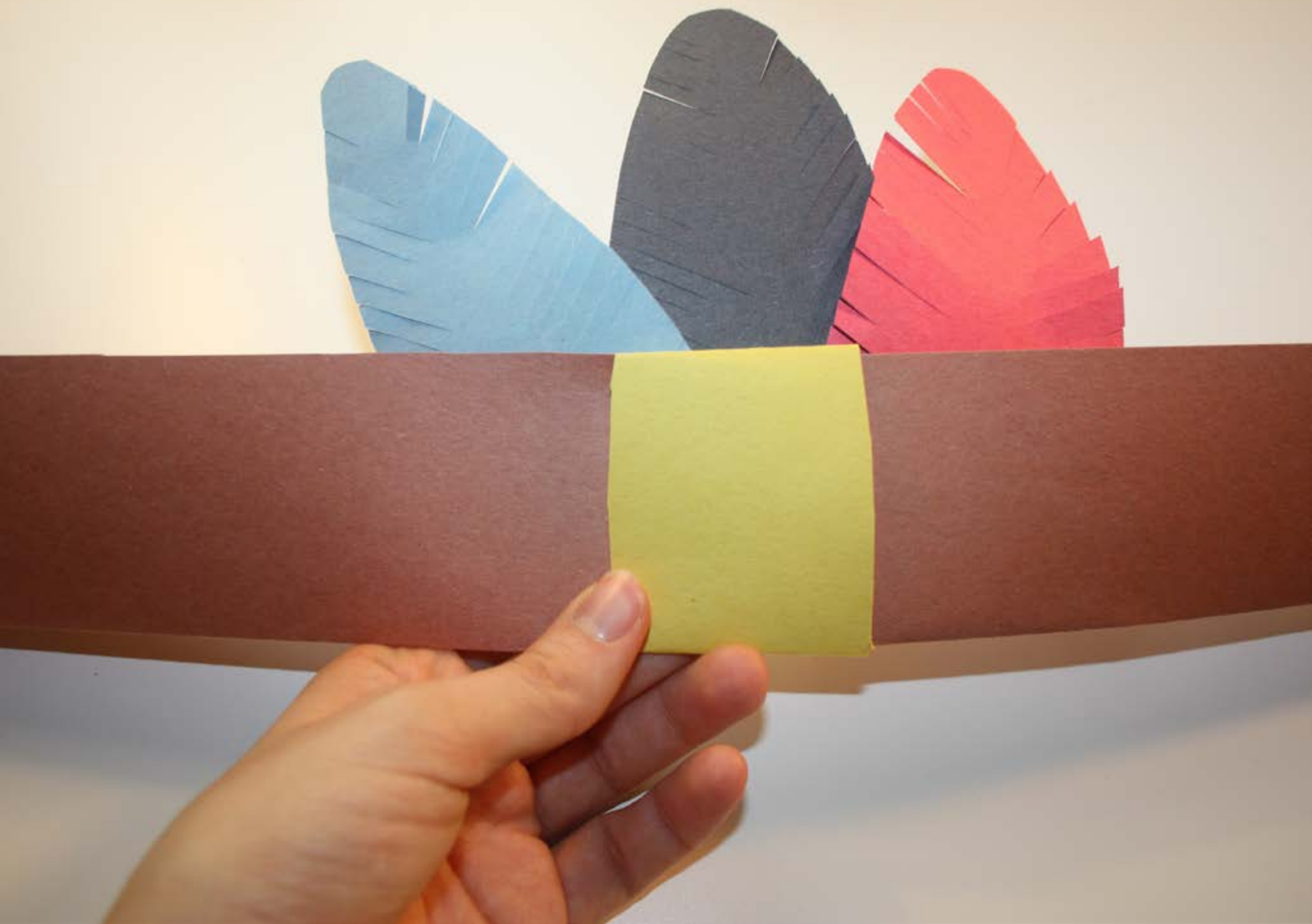
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(Optional)

Fold it around and glue it in the inside.



STEP 14
(Optional)

It should look like this.



STEP 15

Put it around your child's head to fit and staple or glue it in the size needed.



STEP 16

At this point your kid can decorate the band the way they want it, cutting different shapes like triangles, stripes, circles...





HAT 3: DUKE PETER HAT



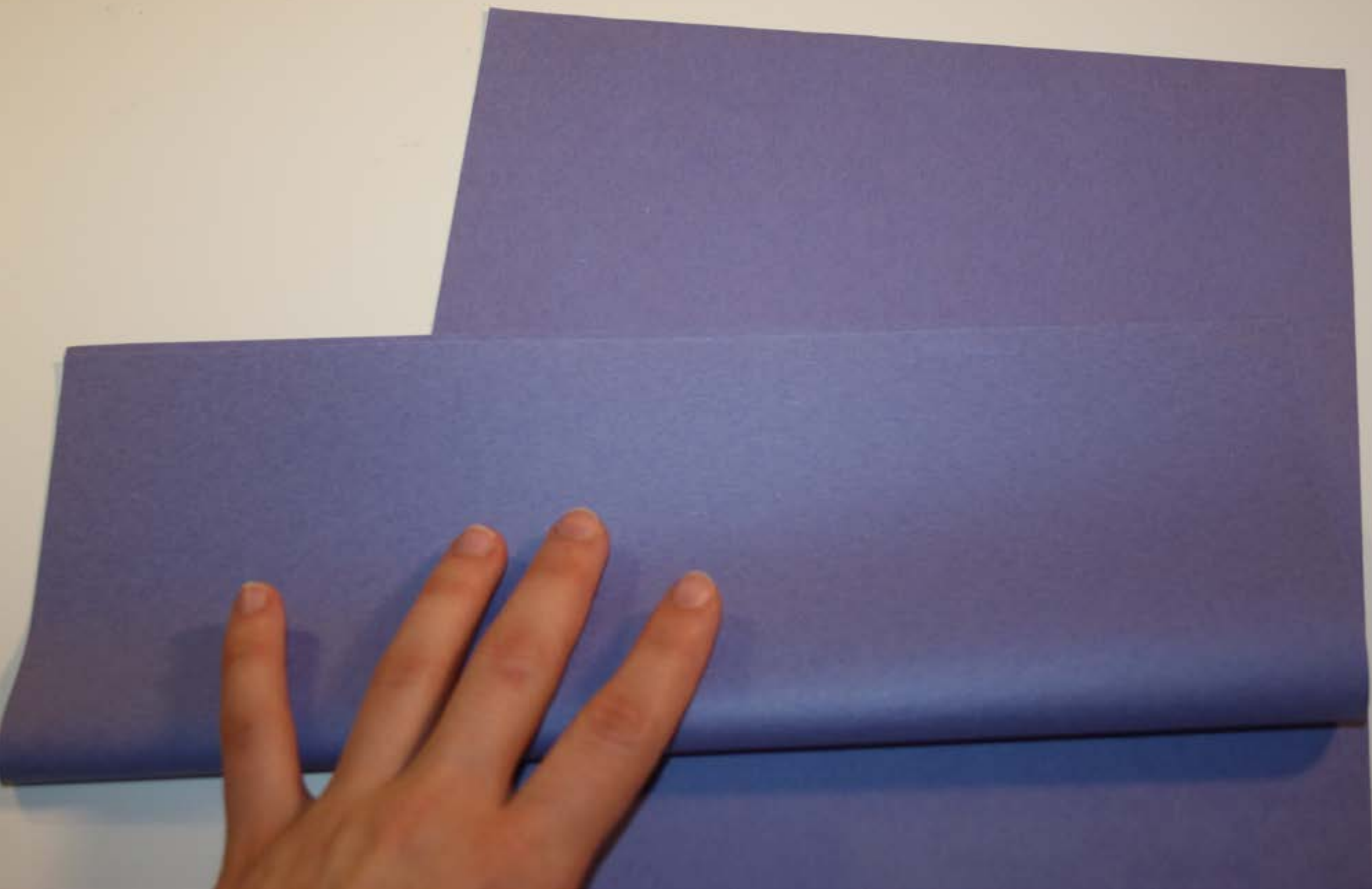
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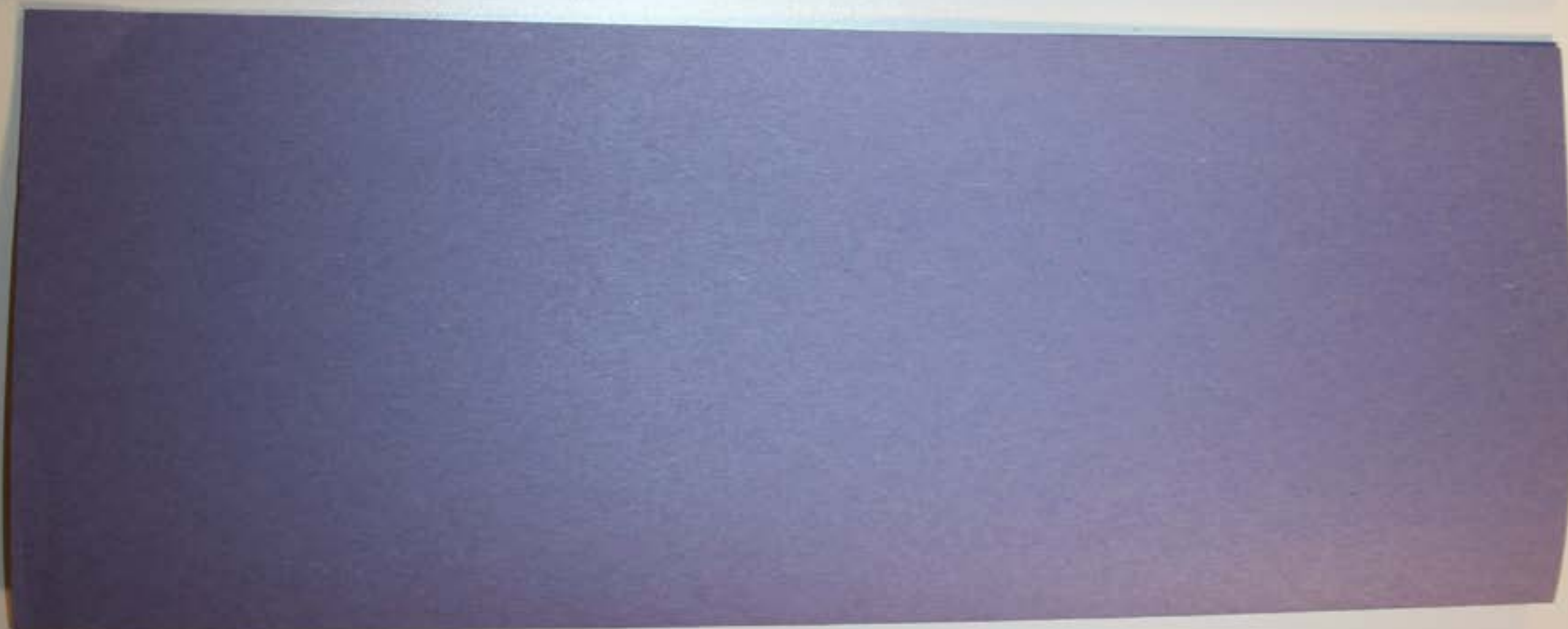
Get two pieces of construction paper, color of your choice.



STEP 2

Fold both of them in half like shown in the picture.





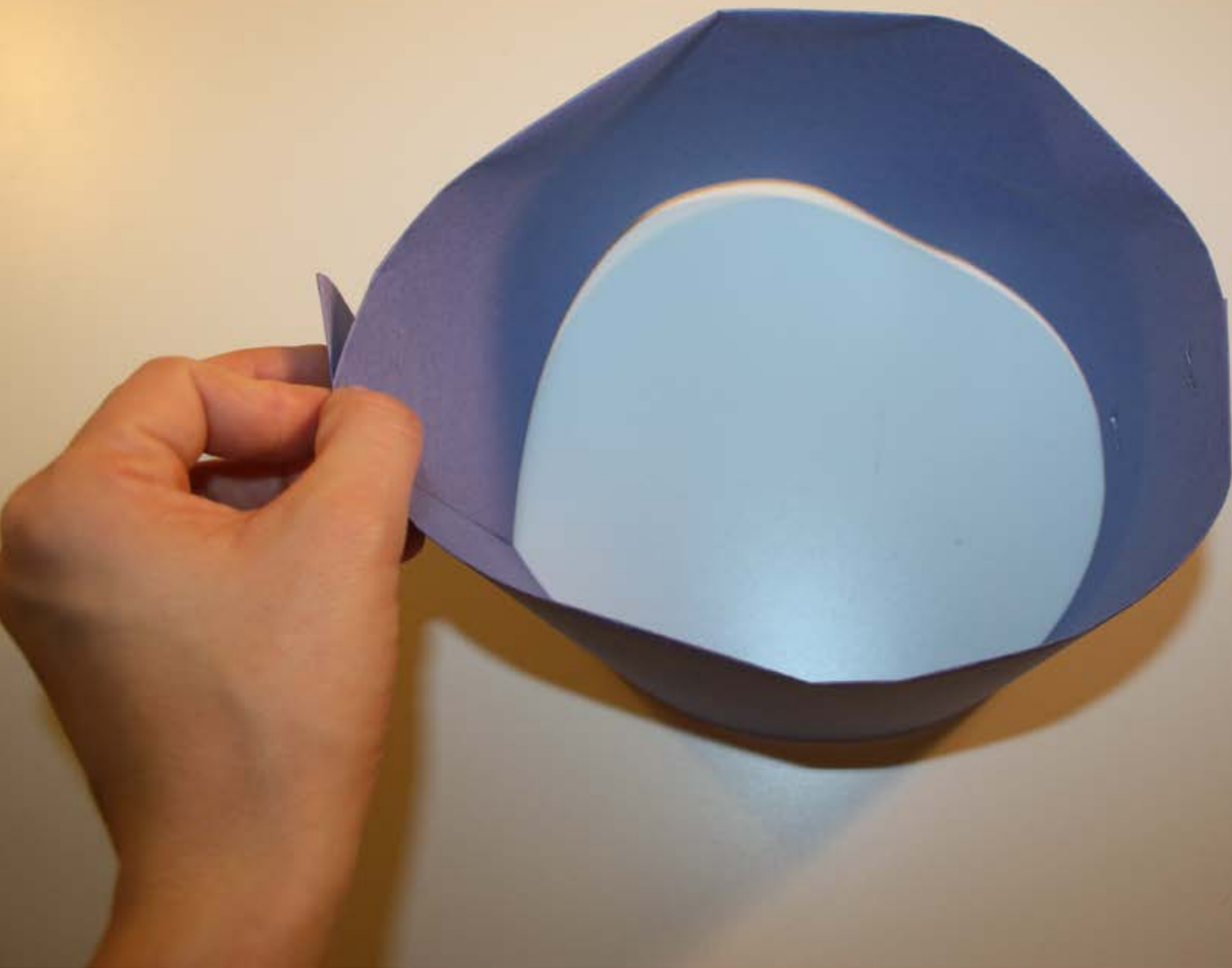
STEP 3

Overlap two ends of each folded paper about 1/2” and staple it or glue it.



STEP 4

Put it around your child's head to fit and staple or glue it.



STEP 5

Get one piece of construction paper, color of your choice.



STEP 6

Fold it in half like shown in the picture and cut along the folded line.





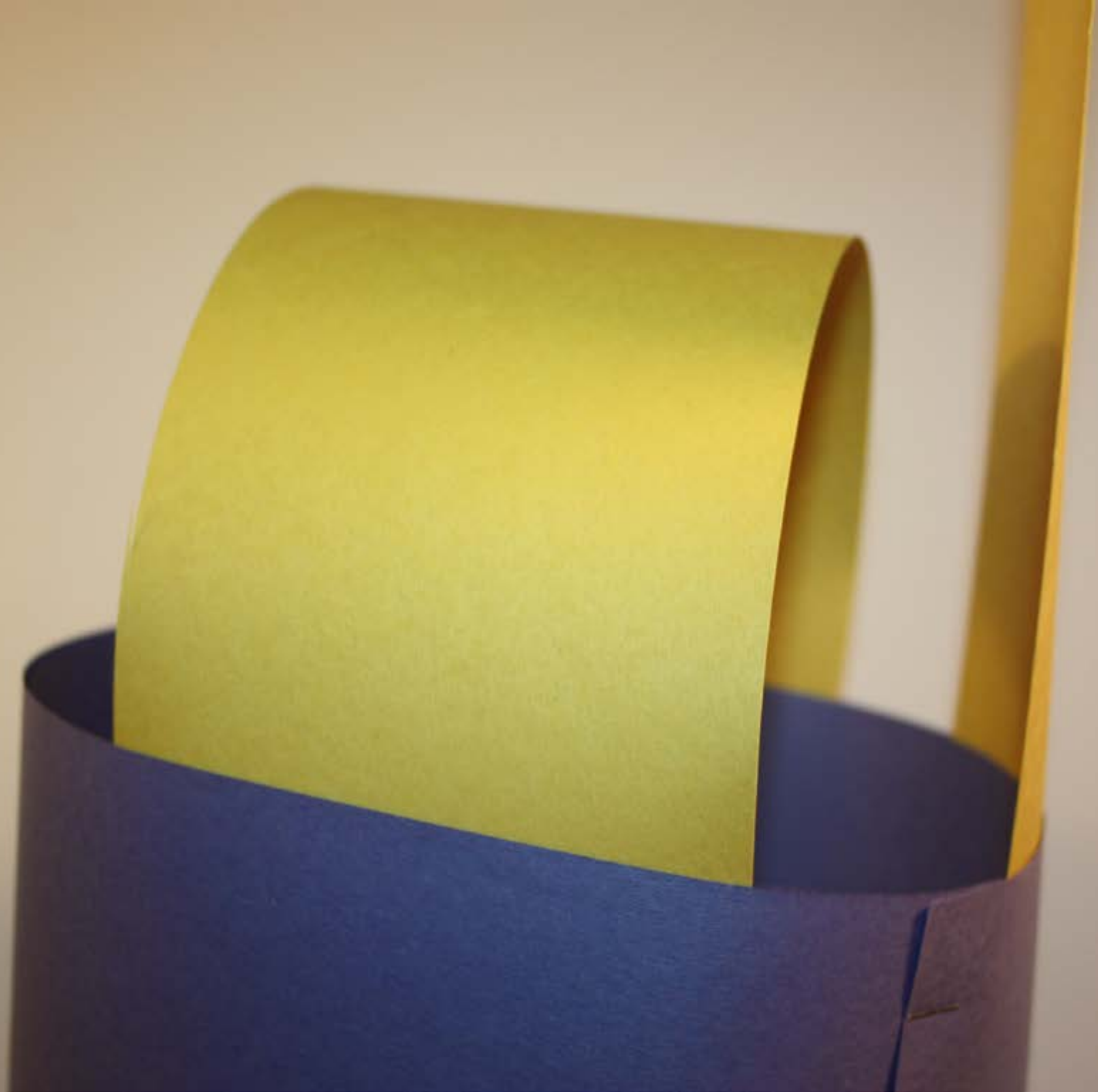
STEP 7

When you have the two pieces, get one and glue both ends about
 $\frac{1}{2}$ "



STEP 8

Insert each piece like shown in the picture. Repeat the same step with the other piece of paper and you'll have an interesting top for the hat.



STEP 9

Now it's time to decorate it the way you want it and let your kids be creative with it. I used this decorative paper around it for a “fancier” look.

Tip: You can glue it to the hat or staple it. I recommend stapling it.









**AND VOILÁ! YOU HAVE THREE EASY AND QUICK HATS
THAT FOR SURE WILL BRING LOTS OF PLAY AND AD-
VENTURE!**







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Originally from Spain, I am now living life and discovering my future in Washington State. I am an artist, children lover, a dreamer, and I love new adventures. I studied interior design in Barcelona. After I graduated, I came to the US as an AuPair/Exchange Student. I am now a full time student pursuing a degree in Multimedia and Production Design at Lake Washington Institute of Technology in Seattle. I am also a collaborator and graphic designer at Duchess and Lion, a Bay Area company that makes modern, ethically produced children's clothing. I am passionate about children, color composition, textures patterns and illustration. I have a deep love for photography as well and I use it to express my personality, to capture what I see in my everyday life and what I love. I love cultures and the different colors each country transmits. My dream is to make a difference in children's lives and make the world a better place for them. I believe small steps can make a huge difference in the world.

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