

WORLD BOX - 2019 - NORTH AMERICA

Theme – Unlock a New World

Activity – Papel Picado

What you need:

- Coloured A4 tissue paper
- Scissors
- Sticky tape (clear or coloured)
- String or Coloured twine



Join in the Jamboree

The 24th World Scout Jamboree was held in the USA, although hosting duties were split between the Boy Scouts of America, Scouts Canada, and Asociación de Scouts de México.

“Papel picado” means punched or perforated paper. Papel picado garlands are traditionally used to decorate the streets and redas (altars) during Día de los Muertos, or the Day of the Dead.

Papel picado is traditionally made from coloured tissue paper and cut using chisels.

Simple Papel Picado	Complex Papel Picado
<p>Instructions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Put two sheets of tissue paper together and fold them over in half.2. Cut shapes with the scissors to make a pattern.3. Unfold the paper to reveal your pattern.4. Carefully put tape along the top side of each sheet of paper and attach the Papel Picado to a length of string, making sure you leave enough string on each end to hang up your garland.	<p>Instructions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Fold the paper in half and tape the edges together.2. Draw a pattern carefully and gently on the paper – the fold is where the middle of the final image will be.3. Carefully cut out each shape, trying hard to keep the paper together without crumpling, so the final design is a mirror image when the paper is unfolded.4. Once you have finished cutting out the pattern, carefully cut off the outside edge and unfold the paper to reveal your design.5. Carefully attach your Papel Picado to the string or twine so it can be hung up.

Reflection:

In Mexico, the multi-day holiday involves family and friends gathering to pray for and remember friends and family members who have died to help support their spiritual journey.

How does your culture celebrate the lives of loved ones?

Safety Notes:

Scissors / Sharp Objects: Supervise young people appropriately when using scissors.

Store all sharp objects securely, out of the reach of young people.

