Paper Weaving Craft

Supplies
Colored paper, Scissors, Ruler, Glue or tape, Colored pencils, crayons, or markers

Instructions
1. Choose one piece of paper as the base for your weaving project and fold it in half.

2. Use a ruler to draw lines, approximately one inch apart, from the fold toward the edge. Stop about one inch from the edge.

3. Cut along each line, stopping about an inch from the edge of the paper (image 1).

4. Unfold the paper (image 2).

5. Choose two or three pieces of paper in different colors.

6. Cut these papers into strips approximately one inch wide.

7. Orient your base paper so that the slits are vertical (from top to bottom)

8. Weave your first strip of paper through the slits, alternating over, under, over, under, all the way to the end.

9. Slide the woven strip to the top.

10. Begin weaving your second strip of colored paper, reversing the over/under pattern (image 3).

11. Push this woven strip to the top so that it rests snugly beside the first woven strip.

12. Continue weaving strips, making a pattern with the colors, until no more will fit.

13. Secure the edges of the strips in place using glue or tape.

14. Use colored pencils, crayons, or markers to decorate the strips with lines and shapes, creating patterns (image 4).