

Play & Learn: Twas The Night Before Christmas

Super Simple Paper Plate Wreath Craft Activity!



A long time ago, in ancient Rome and Greece, people wore wreaths on their heads like crowns to celebrate big victories, like winning a war or a sports competition. Wreaths are a round circle shape. Since circles have no beginning or end, they reminded people of things that last forever, like love, friendship, and hope.

People like to make wreaths with evergreen tree branches. Evergreen trees are special because they stay green all year, even in winter when most other plants lose their leaves. As time went on, wreaths became a big part of Christmas. Today, people hang them on doors or windows to welcome friends and family and to show holiday cheer.

We like to make wreaths extra festive by decorating them with ribbons, ornaments, and lights! Below, we'll teach you how to make a wreath using a paper plate!

What You'll Need:



- A sturdy paper plate
- Green construction paper or tissue paper (cut into small squares or handprint shapes)

- Glue stick or liquid glue
- Crayons or markers
- Red ribbon or bow (optional: stickers or pom-poms for decoration)
- Scissors

Step-by-Step Instructions:

1. Prepare the Plate

Cut out the center of a paper plate to make a ring (this will be the base of your wreath).



2. Decorate the Base

Take the green construction paper or tissue paper and scrunch it up into little balls or simply glue flat pieces onto the plate to cover it completely.

Or trace your hand on green paper, and cut out the shape! Do this three or four times then glue your green paper hands around the plate like leaves!



3. Add Decorations

Use crayons or markers to color or decorate the wreath.

Glue on pom-poms or small paper circles to look like ornaments. Stickers would also do the trick!

Add a big red bow or ribbon at the bottom for extra festivity.

4. Display Your Wreath

Punch a hole at the top and attach a string to hang the wreath (or use a push pin) on a door or wall, or place it on a table as a centerpiece!

5. Make it YOURS

We love to see (and encourage) craft variations! Let your creativity run wild! Use colorful paper to create a rainbow wreath or add glitter for sparkle! Add a personal touch by writing each family member's name around the wreath. Be sure to share your wreaths with us on Instagram @snoriezzz!