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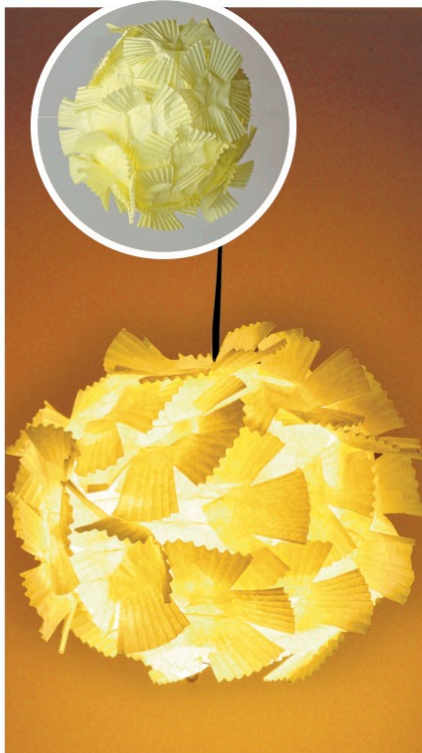
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LIT UP!

With Diwali just around the corner, we're sure that you're preparing to light up your home. DIY lights and lanterns make the process much more fun — and you can involve everyone around you in the process, just like we did! The **Woman's World Team** brings you the results so that you can get started on making your own twinkly lamps



CUPCAKE CASE LAMP

You will need: Cupcake cases (the number will depend on the size of your lamp; we used 24), 1 paper lantern, fabric glue and scissors and 1 bulb (see box to make the contraption).

To make: Assemble the lantern, making sure that it's straight and well-centered. Make small cuts in each cupcake case so that they resemble open flowers. Stick the base of each case to the lamp, opening them up so that there are no visible gaps, as seen in the picture. String the bulb in carefully (make sure it's switched off!) and watch it light up your room.

DIXIE CUP LIGHTS

You will need: 12 (or more) paper cups, thin patterned paper of your choice, 1 string of fairy lights, fabric glue and scissors.

To make: These pretty lights are incredibly easy to make. All you have to do, is cut strips of patterned paper in the size of your paper cups and stick them on with fabric glue. Next, poke small (make sure they are not too large or the bulb will slide out) x-shaped slits at the base of each cup and push a fairy light bulb into each one. Tape the tops to secure it if you wish to — we didn't need to! Hang it on a wall in your house and watch the light from the cups form pretty, patterned shadows. The festive patterns from the paper will lend an ethnic glow to your room.



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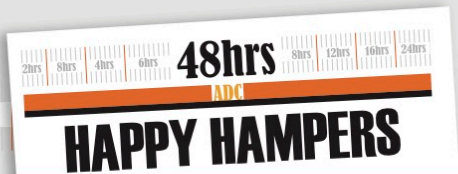
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HAT LIGHTS

You will need: 2 fabric hats (any colour, we chose black), 1 bulb (see box for contraption) and scissors.

To make: This is one of our favourite lights, because it looks extremely classy and is ridiculously simple to make. Simply cut a hole through the top of each hat (a small x-shaped slit is best) and slip the bulb in, wire first so as to not open up the hole too much. You can hang several of these all over your home, place two together or hang a single one in the centre of your room.

THE BULB CONTRAPTION

To get the bulb set up, you'll need to get a bulb holder, a one-meter long electric wire and a two-pin plug point. The material is available at all electric stores and they will even set it up for you.

For the scrappy ribbon chandelier lamp, you will need to make a contraption to hold the bulb in place. Get a thick aluminium wire (or *taar* – as the hardware store will call it), place the bulb holder in (approximately) the centre of the wire and wrap the wire around it tightly. Wrap it around two-three times and you'll create a holder that can suspend the bulb mid-air. Use the two ends of the wire to hang the contraption to the lamp. If you do it right, you'll be able to take the bulb holder out and slip it back in, as and when you please.



EGG SHELL LIGHTS

You will need: 2 egg cartons, 1 string of (yellow) fairy lights, loose glitter, acrylic paint (in two colours of your choice) and scissors.

To make: If your children are making these, they may need help, because they're more complicated than the rest. To make the flower shape, cut out each cup from the egg tray (the portion where your eggs are placed) and make little cuts to create flower petals. If you can't manage this, you can keep them as they are and they will still look great. Paint each one (inside and out) in your favourite colours. We chose pink and yellow for a festive touch. Add a little loose glitter to the insides (this is optional and can get messy) and then make tiny holes at the base. We found that it's easiest to poke tiny holes with a push pin and then slip the fairy light bulb in. Curl them up in a glass bowl or on a table (as seen in the picture) for the best effect. They also look great hanging lengthwise on a door frame.



Our craft supplies

Something Special: Hill Road, Bandra (w), Cheap Jack: Hill Road, Bandra (w), Mahavir Electricals: Pali Naka, Bandra (w) (for the light), Nature's Basket outlets

FABRIC FLOWER LAMP

You will need: Fabric flowers (the amount will depend on the size of your lamp; we used 30), 1 paper lantern, fabric glue, scissors and 1 bulb (see box for contraption).

To make: Get your children to make this lamp in their spare time. Assemble the paper lantern, then stick fabric flowers on to it. These take time to dry, so move slowly. We left a few white spots in between for a more homemade feel, but if you'd like to cover them up, get a coloured lantern and lighter coloured flowers. Push the bulb through it and you're all done!



SCRAPPY RIBBON CHANDELIER

You will need: An embroidery hoop, 1 bulb (see box for contraption) and strips of ribbon in colours and sizes of your choice.

To make: This is a great DIY lamp that your children can make. The best part is that they will require no supervision. All you need to do is take strips of ribbon and tie them on the embroidery hoop until it's completely covered. The scrappier it is, the more rustic it will look. Slip a bulb through it (see box to find out how) and hang it outdoors for the best effect.

