

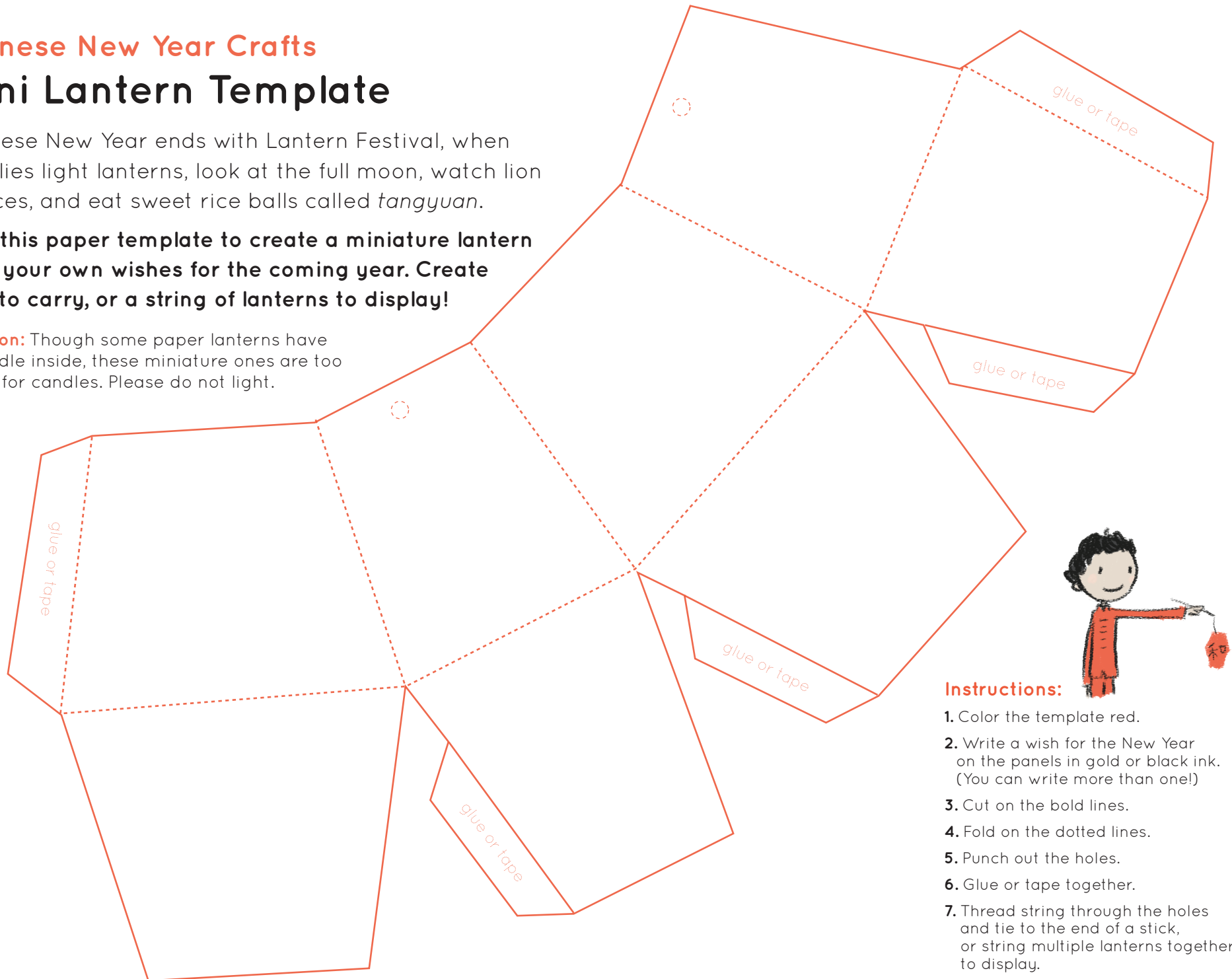
Chinese New Year Crafts

Mini Lantern Template

Chinese New Year ends with Lantern Festival, when families light lanterns, look at the full moon, watch lion dances, and eat sweet rice balls called *tangyuan*.

Use this paper template to create a miniature lantern with your own wishes for the coming year. Create one to carry, or a string of lanterns to display!

Caution: Though some paper lanterns have a candle inside, these miniature ones are too small for candles. Please do not light.



Instructions:

1. Color the template red.
2. Write a wish for the New Year on the panels in gold or black ink. (You can write more than one!)
3. Cut on the bold lines.
4. Fold on the dotted lines.
5. Punch out the holes.
6. Glue or tape together.
7. Thread string through the holes and tie to the end of a stick, or string multiple lanterns together to display.