

What you need:

Scissors Straight pin Pencil with eraser

Colored pencils or markers to decorate

How to get started:

Cut out the pinwheel square on this page. On one side of the paper, write down your feelings about war/peace/tolerance/living in harmony. On the other side of the paper, use markers, colored pencils, paint, or other art media to visually express your feelings.

Following the lines on the template, cut in from all four corners, leaving about 2 inches of center uncut.

To create the pinwheel:

Gently bend (don't fold) one of the cut corners to the center point. Skip the next cut corner, and bend the next one.

Skip and bend until four points meet in the center.

Then stick the straight pin through all four points AND the back of the pinwheel. Stick the pin into the pencil eraser. Find some wind to test it out.

Save your pinwheel in a safe place until September 21st (which is International Day of Peace) then take it to a public place and "plant" it into the ground to send a message of world peace!



Cut out this peace sign and put it in the center of your pinwheel before you put the pin in it.