



Blooming Flowers

You will need:

- Coloured pencils
- Grey lead pencil
- Pen (optional for writing messages on the flowers)
- Paper
- Scissors
- Tray or plate
- Water
- Paper towel



Instructions:

1. Draw flowers on white paper and colour them in. You can write a message in the centre of the flower. Make the flowers any size, and the petals different shapes.



2. Cut out the flowers carefully.
3. Fold the petals over one at a time.
4. Pour water into a tray or plate.



5. Place the folded flowers into the water and watch the flowers bloom.
6. Carefully remove the open flowers and dry them on paper towel. When they are dry, you can fold the petals in, put them back in water, and watch them bloom again. The flowers will bloom quicker the second time they are placed in water.

What's happening?

Paper is made up of tiny fibres. When the paper gets wet, the fibres swell up which cause the petals to open.

