

## Make a Kite

**Introduction:** Students will read and follow written instructions to make a mini-kite. If made correctly the kite will fly! The task is considered easy but some students have problems deciding where to attach the string. If a student begins to get frustrated, you might demonstrate or give verbal instructions. Angle is important! The purpose of this activity is for students to be able to follow instructions, to work individually and to follow through and complete a task. After students make kites, fly them!

**Materials:** Newspaper, craft or kite string, duct tape, ribbon, scissors, rulers

**Directions:**

1. Cut out three diamond –shaped pieces of newspaper, each 12 inches wide by 18 inches tall. Layer them directly on top of each other.
2. Secure the newspaper pieces together by duct taping them all around the edges. Cut out a piece of string that is 10 inches long.
3. Tape the edges of the 10 inch long piece of string to the two side points of the newspaper, allowing the sting to stretch across the width of the kite.
4. Cut out a piece of string that is 6 inches long. Tape one end of the piece of string to the top corner of the kite and tie the other end around the middle of the first piece of string.
5. Pull the loose end out of the ball of craft string and tie it to the middle of the 10 inch piece of string that has been attached to the kite.
6. Tape a 12 inch long ribbon to the bottom point of the kite.
7. LET IT FLY!

