

# Advent Wreath Instructions

If the directions below are confusing go here for details:

<https://www.looktohimandberadiant.com/2014/11/kids-advent-wreath-free-printables.html>

1. Print out the three page printable called "Advent Wreath Candles.PDF". Have your kids color before cutting, so they don't have to worry so much about staying in the lines or tearing edges while coloring. Maybe color the flames and the holly with marker to make them more vibrant, and color the actual candle with crayon so that the words would be more visible.
2. Cut out the candles
3. Next, wrap the candle printables around a toilet paper tube. (Note: you can use paper towel rolls cut down or a cylinder of card stock.)
4. First tape the printable on the little tab (which has a reminder about which Sunday of Advent it is for) and then tape the opposite edge. There is also a Scripture verse on each candle from the Sunday readings this year.
5. The candle flames can be lit or unlit. To make it unlit - ... gently fold and push the flame inside the tube...where it is not visible
6. The candles could just be set on/in an evergreen wreath on a table, or you can make a wreath to put it all together. Use a paper plate- green would be great, but if white is what you have, that is fine. Trace a glass to make the circle in the middle of the plate and then drew four Xs that are about 1 3/4" in length where the candles will go.
7. Cut out the circle and the Xs. This job is for adults or older kids only. Scissors work, but an exacto knife is better.
8. If you have a green plate, you could stop here, or you can add the leaves as decoration. One of the printables has holly & berries that you can use. Or cut out some simple leaves from green paper
9. Glue the leaves and the berries on the plate, not covering up the Xs that you cut out.
10. Next, add some glue on those Xs and put the candle on top of it. To stabilize it and make the glue stick, roll up a strip of cardstock (about 8" long), put a little glue on it, and stick it on the inside of the Xs. Let it unfurl and it will help everything stick together as it dries.
11. Let it all dry and use it to count down the weeks as we wait for the coming of Christ!