

## Wrapping paper jewellery

Sometimes wrapping paper is so pretty it seems a waste to throw it away... Ever thought of reusing it to make a unique piece of costume jewellery for a few pennies?

This idea was inspired by some of Tatty Devine's wooden jewellery:



These instructions here are to make a brooch, but you could easily use jewellery findings to make necklaces or earrings.

### Materials:

- Wrapping paper
- PVA glue
- Glue stick
- Thin cardboard (a cereal box is about the right thickness)
- Sticky tape
- Safety pin

### Step 1:

Choose a design/shape that you want to use from your wrapping paper.



### Step 2:

Cut several pieces of thin card which are slightly larger than your design. Between three and five pieces should work well depending on how thick the cardboard is.

### Step 3:

Layer the pieces of card on top of each other using the glue stick so that only the blank side of the card is visible. Set aside until the glue has dried.

### Step 4:

Cut out your chosen image. When the layered card is dry stick the image onto it. If you want to you can highlight parts of your design with felt-tips or glitter.

**Step 5:**

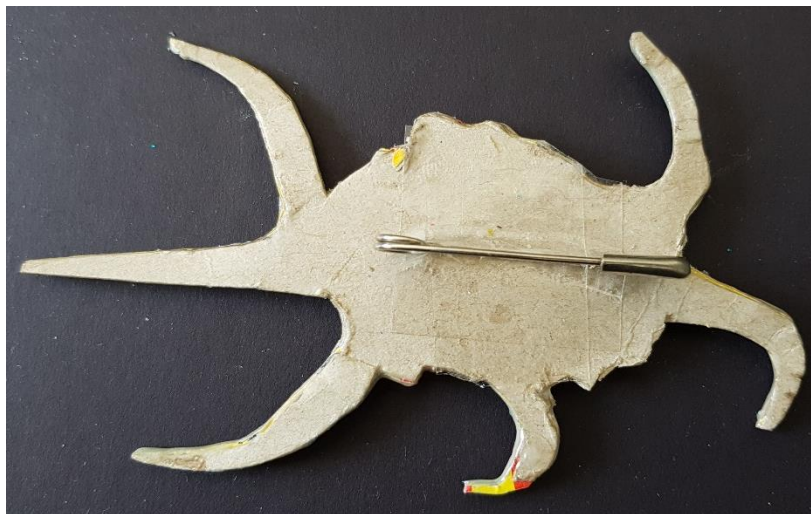
Cut around the design so that the cardboard is not visible.

**Step 6:**

Brush a thin layer of PVA glue over the design. Make sure you paint the edges too. Once the front of your brooch is dry you may want to paint the back with PVA as well to seal it, but this is not necessary.

**Step 7:**

Once the PVA has dried cut a strip of sticky tape and stick the safety pin to the back of your brooch.



Enjoy showing off your creation!

Although we have used wrapping paper to make our brooch you could use images from other sources such as leaflets, magazines, postcards, or even thin fabric.