



Christmas Cracker Craft Instructions



You Will Need:

- Christmas Cracker template photocopied onto thin card.
- Cardboard tube (this becomes the sturdy inside of the Christmas Cracker that holds the small gifts).
- Cracker snaps (optional, but this provides the 'snap' when the cracker is pulled apart).
- Sticky tape or glue.
- Felt pens and/or coloured pencils or crayons to colour in the Christmas Cracker, or add designs.
- Christmas Stickers (optional).
- Scissors.
- Christmas ribbon.
- Small gifts for the inside of the Christmas Cracker:
Jokes, paper hats/crowns, small toys or objects like a fancy paper clip, packaged candy canes or peppermints, foil-covered chocolates (because the candies and chocolates spill out when the Christmas Cracker is pulled open!).

What to Do:

- Colour in/decorate the Christmas Cracker.
- Decorate with Christmas stickers (optional).
- Cut out the Christmas Cracker along the bold lines.
- Fold the Christmas Cracker along the dotted lines.
- Sticky tape or glue to secure the Christmas Cracker around the cardboard tube. (Cut the tube so it's slightly shorter than the main body of the cracker, not including the ends. The cardboard tube helps the cracker hold its shape, makes it easier for the ribbon to be tied around the ends, and provides a place for the small gifts.)
- Add the Christmas Cracker snap now if you are choosing to use one. (It pokes out on either end so it can be pulled apart to 'snap'.)
- Use the ribbon to tie one end of the Christmas Cracker closed.
- Use the open end to fill the Christmas Cracker with the small gifts.
- Now tie the end with the ribbon to close it and keep the small gifts safe inside!

