

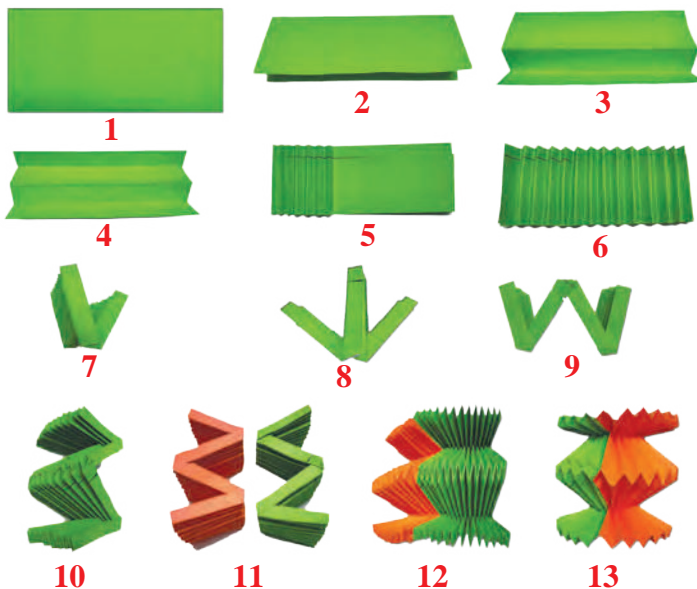
## (C) Skill-based Activities

### 1. A lantern made by folding paper

**Tools and materials :** 2 sheets of A4 sized ( 21cm×30cm) coloured paper, thick thread, needle, scissors, glue, etc.

#### Procedure

- (1) Take the two sheets of paper described above and fold them into a 'W' shape following the figures 1 to 4 below.
- (2) As shown in figure 5, starting from the narrow side, make small folds in the paper at equal distances like a fan, till you reach the other end. You will get an 'I' shape. Press the folds down if necessary to make them tidy.
- (3) Now fold this 'I' shape to get a 'V' shape. Now fold the other sides to get a 'W' shape. You will see from the figure 10 that one side of the lantern is ready. Make the other side also in the same way.
- (4) Now open out these two parts and give them a rounded shape. Stick the two parts to each other. Tie 3 threads at equal distances. (See figure.)
- (5) Tie narrow strips of golden or silver paper beneath the lamp to decorate it. Hang your lantern and display it.



#### My Activity

Try making paper lanterns of different colours.

◆ Guide the children to make the folds properly.

## 2. Making greeting cards using straw, leaves, flowers

**Tools and materials :** Coloured cardsheet, dried grass, leaves, dried flowers of different colours, glue, sketch pens, scissors, etc.

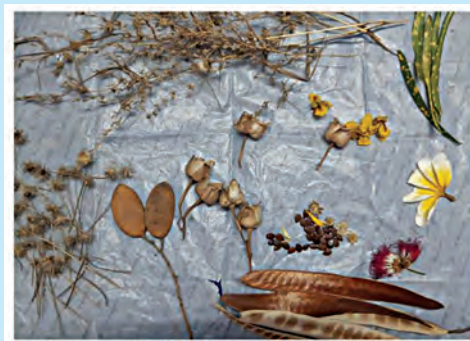
### Procedure

- (1) Collect flowers, leaves, grass from your surroundings. Place them between two pieces of newspaper and put them under some heavy books that are not being used. (A herbarium sheet or blotting paper can also be used.) In about 2 to 4 days they will have got pressed, flat and dry.
- (2) Cut the cardsheet into a suitable size for your greeting card. On the smooth right side of the card paper draw a border using a sketch pen.
- (3) Take some of the dried flowers leaves, etc. of the right size to make an attractive pattern that will fit inside the border you have drawn.
- (3) On the greeting card, first stick the straw and grass and then the leaves and flowers on top of them. Decorate the card as you wish.



### My Activity

Stick dried grass, leaves and flowers on a paper to make a birds' nest picture.



- ◆ Show children how to paint a picture on the mesh of the dried leaf of a peepal tree.