



# AMERICAN LANTERNS

## Lesson of the Day:

Celebrate diversity! Our country was built on being a place where all different kinds of people could come to make their dreams come true. So try not to be afraid of people or things that are different than you're used to, but to learn more about those new things! When we all mix together and learn about each other and embrace our differences, our country is the best it can possibly be!



## Materials:

- Red, white, and blue paper
- Red, white, and blue ribbon
- Scissors
- Glue



## Instructions:

1. Discuss the lesson of the day with your students. Talk about what it means to them.
2. Have students fold a piece of paper in half lengthwise. Have them make cut from the folded side upward, but not all the way through the paper. Leave about an inch of space.
3. Open up the paper and match up the opposite sides. Tape them together to make the lantern.
4. Have students cut a strip of paper and tape it to the inside of the top to make a handle.
5. Then they can cut out paper stars and use glue stick to stick them to the lantern. They can glue ribbon around the top and bottom, as well as use it to decorate the handle.