

## **Spiny Caterpillar Craft**



Some caterpillars are covered in tiny hairs - although they may look fluffy and cute, these hairs are actually attached to venom glands. If you touch them, they will inject venom and you will get a rash!

In this guide, we'll be making venomous hairy caterpillars that we CAN touch out of paper.



# Spiny and hairy caterpillars come in all sorts of colors! To make yours, you'll need:

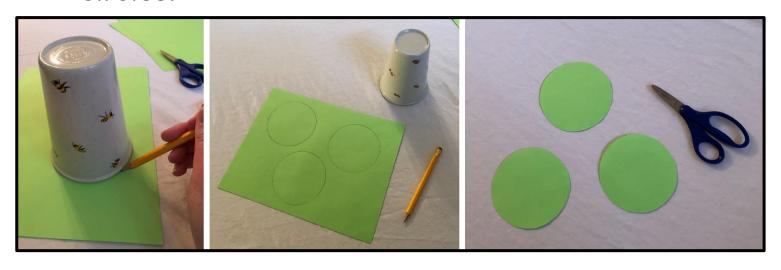
- 1. Construction paper
- 2. Scissors
- 3. Glue stick
- 4. Pencil
- 5. A cup or bowl to draw a circle



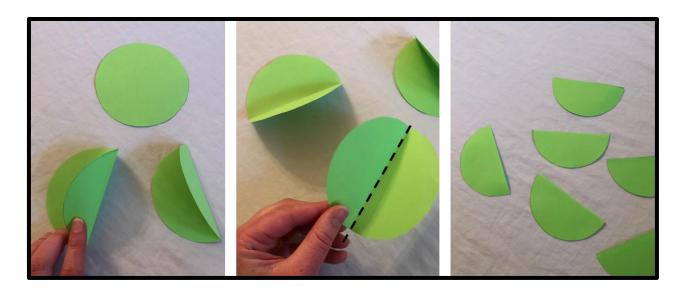
#### **Step 1:**

Use a cup or bowl to draw circles on a piece of construction paper. Cut out the circles.

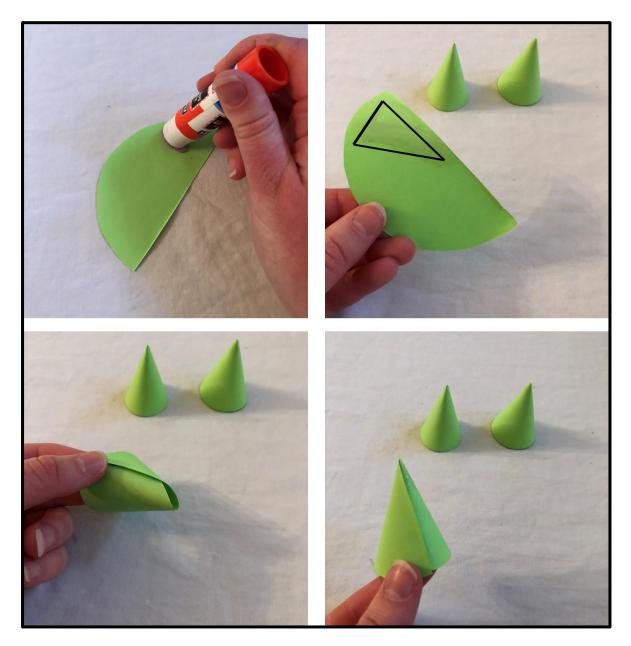
Plan Ahead! Each circle will make 2 caterpillar segments. If you want your caterpillar to be 6 segments long, cut out 3 circles!



Step 2: Fold circles in half, and then cut along the crease.



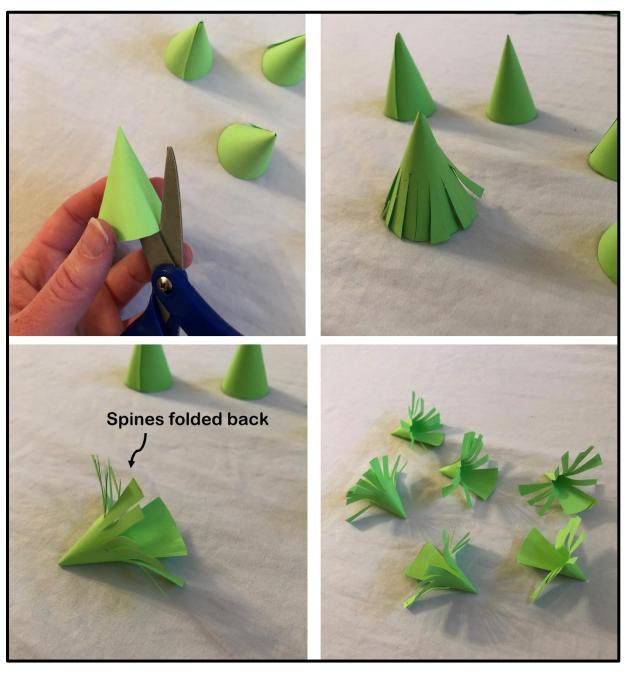
Step 3:
Using a glue stick, glue the half-circles into cones



Apply glue in a triangle area on one side of the half-circle, then wrap the construction paper around itself to form the cone.

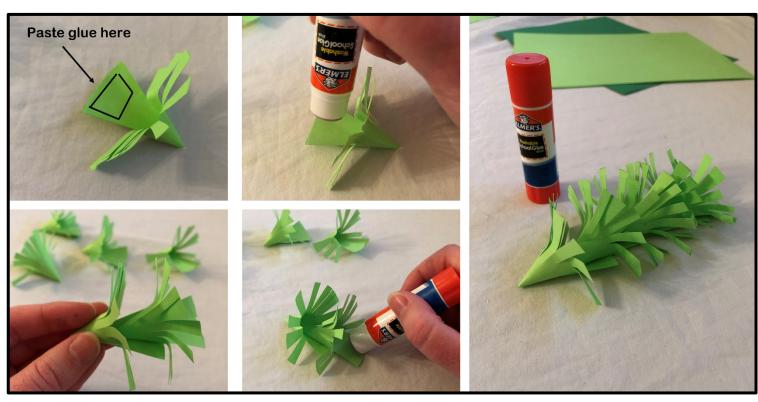
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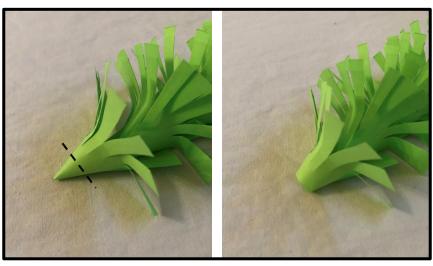
Cut spines and hairs around the edge of the cone. Make sure to not cut the part around the crease, because we will use that to attach the cones together. When you have made all your cuts, fold back the spines and hairs so they stick up.



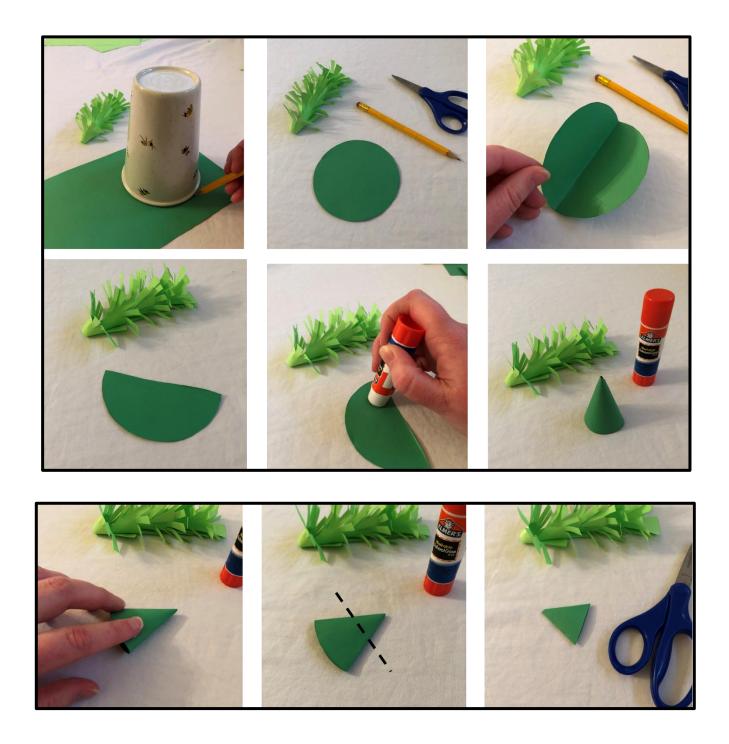
#### **Step 5**:

Glue the cones together. To do this, apply a bit of glue to the portion of the cone you didn't cut to make the hairs. Then, join it to the base of another cone. When finished, cut the nose off the top of the cone in front.



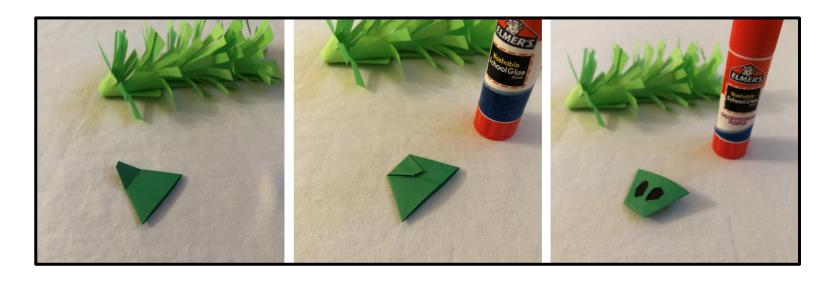


Step 6: Make the head. To do this, make another cone, then cut off the base.



### <u>Step 7:</u>

Fold the tip of the cone and glue it down. Draw or paste eyes onto the head.



#### Step 8:

Glue around the inside edges of the head and paste it onto the first cone. Wait for it to dry and you're done! Try lots of color combinations to make your own unique spiny caterpillar!

