How to Make a MAY DAY basket-

Step 1: Cut out all the pieces. If your printer will handle it, you can print the template directly onto your paper. But instead, I printed the template on regular office paper and used it as my guide when cutting out all the pieces on my scrapbook paper. Since the template is designed for 8 1/2 inches by 11 inches, I used the extra paper to make more flowers.
Step 2: Spread glue (or use tape) on an edge of the straight side of the paper you’ll use for your cone. Fold the paper into a cone shape, overlapping the edges. (I had to smush mine just a bit to make this happen. I also used a paperclip to hold the cones together while they dried.)
Step 3: Glue edge of the paper handle and attach to the cone to form a loop you’ll use to hang it from a door.
Step 4: On to making the flowers! Decorate or color the inside of the flowers. (Skip to my Lou used candy, like Hershey’s kisses, for the inside of her flowers.) I was making multiple baskets, so I was able to mix up the patterns with flowers from other sheets of paper. Glue the paper flowers onto the top of your craft sticks, straws or pipe cleaners. This is the step my 3-year-old daughter was able to help out with easily.

Step 5: Write your message onto the gift tag and attach it to the cone with ribbon or string. I think May Day baskets are supposed to be anonymous, but feel free to claim credit!
Step 6: Fill your cone with the paper flowers. (If needed, you can put some tissue or Easter grass in the bottom of the cone to make the flowers sit up taller.)

You can even give this to your Mother for Mother’s Day!
Make a Paper Bag Serape

A serape is a long, blanket-like shawl worn over the shoulders, worn by men in the Mexican tradition. Often, a serape is made of wool and comes in bright colors. With a few simple materials, your child can fashion his very own serape for some Mexican festivities. Your child will put his imagination to good use as he designs his garment and learns a little bit about Mexican heritage in the process.

What You Need:

- Brown paper grocery bag
- Safety scissors
- Markers
- Ribbon
- Glue
- Pictures of serapes from books or the Internet

What You Do:

1. To begin, show your child some pictures of serapes so he can familiarize himself with the colors and patterns that are often used.
2. Now open a grocery bag and ask your child to cut out both side panels along the folds. This will enable your child's arms to move freely, unencumbered by the serape.
3. Next, turn the bag inside out so that the plain, unprinted side is showing.
4. Close the bag so that it lays flat and cut out a large circle at the top. This will be the opening for your child's head. Be sure not to cut too closely to the edges, so that when the bag is open and resting upon your child's shoulders, there won't be any risk of it tearing apart and breaking.
5. Now for the fun part! Have your child decorate the bag, using the pictures you showed him of serapes as inspiration. It is a big project for younger kids, so you might offer to lend a helping hand with coloring. Don't forget to color the other side, so that your child looks great coming and going!
6. Once the bag is colored, it's time to embellish the bottom with fringe! You can help your child cut strips of ribbon and glue them to the inside of the bag. Do both the front and back and allow the glue to dry.

Your child has a colorful serape that he can wear around the house on Cinco de Mayo or any day of the year!
Serape Examples
Example and Picture Directions for Cherry Blossom Lanterns
MAKE A FLEXTANGLE OF THAILAND'S ANIMALS

KALEIDOCYCLE: PAPERCRAFT

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1. Print on normal or light cardstock paper
2. Colour in to your liking
3. Score all vertical and diagonal lines
4. Cut out along the lines
5. Fold all previously scored lines
6. Glue/Tape toy together
7. ...and Play!
Cut all along the exterior black lines
Fold following the dashed lines

Glue