

Campfire Lantern

<https://www.thecrazyoutdoormama.com/cute-camping-craft-for-kids-glowing-camping-lantern-made-from-a-water-bottle/>

- Water bottle with label removed – I think the ones with smooth sides (none of that textured stuff that's on cheaper ones)
- Yellow Paint
- Two small strips of green construction paper
- Pipe cleaner for the handle
- Hole punch or something sharp – this is just to make a spot for the pipe cleaner to thread through for the handle
- Tape
- Scissors
- Marker for adding lantern buttons

Instructions

10 minutes.

1. **If you are going to use an electric tea light, cut the top of the bottle off**

This is so that you still have access to drop in the tealight without having to cut it off later and ruin everything

2. **Paint water bottle yellow**

Don't worry if there's sticky residue left, the paint still looks fine!

3. **After paint dries, tape on 3" tall green strips on top and bottom of "lantern"**

Thankfully this part is pretty easy – the width of the construction paper is exactly the circumference of the water bottle! So all you need to do is cut two small strips of green paper (or whatever color you want the lantern to be) and tape one to the top and one to the bottom. Mine were about 3" tall.

4. **Hole punch or make a slit on each side of the lantern and thread the handle through**

If you wanted to, you could definitely add beads or other decor to really personalize this camping lantern! My guy is not crafty at all though, so he was fine with a pipe cleaner!

5. Draw on the main “dimmer” knob and any additional buttons or decor you want on the camping lantern

I just did a simple knob with some little lines going around it!

