

## TIN CAN LANTERNS

You can design a beautiful lantern to share with your family!

## Supplies:

- Tin can
- Small hammer
- Acrylic Paint (if desired)
- Screw for making holes
- Water
- Metal hanger or wire for handle (if desired)
- Beads for the handle
- Small candle or tea light



## Procedure:

- 1. Clean the can by washing out with soapy water. Remove all labels and glue.
- 2. Paint the can if desired with the color of your choice and let it dry completely.
- 3. When the paint is dry, fill the can with water, about ¾ full and put in the freezer to freeze until frozen. This will make it easier to make the holes in the can.
- 4. Once frozen, you can make your design. You can make random holes or you can draw a small design on a piece of paper and tape it to the can. This will be a template to make the holes.
- 5. Use the screw and hammer to punch through the can and make the holes.
- 6. Add one more hole on each side of the top of the can if you are going to add a handle.
- 7. When you are finished with your design, submerge the can in water until the ice has melted.
- 8. Carefully, dry out the can.
- 9. If you add a handle, string the wire with your beads and loop them the holes on the sides of the can. Twist the wire ends around the handle wire to hold it in place.
- 10. Add the candle and light.

Please do this craft carefully under the supervision of an adult.
Thank you!