Crepe Paper Flowers

Step 1  Fold a small 2” x 1/2” piece of crepe paper in half.

Step 2  Cover the top of the pencil's eraser with this piece of crepe paper and secure with a small piece of green tape.

Step 3  To create a stamen, fold a 2” x 2” square of crepe paper in half (edge to edge) and cut 5 even slits (not through the folded edge—leave about 3/4” uncut).

Step 4  Secure the stamen to the eraser by using the green tape; flare the stamen once it is secured around the eraser.

Step 5  Next, fold a 2 ½” x 6” strip of crepe paper 5 to 6 times evenly, accordion style (back and forth).

Step 6  To create a petal shape, trim the top two corners.

Step 7  Unfold the paper and tape the bottom of the first petal to the pencil.

Step 8  Now slightly overlap and pinch each petal around the pencil and secure with tape.

Step 9  After the petals are secure, flare the petals.

Step 10  Repeat steps 5 to 9 to create a fuller flower.

Step 11  Don't forget to add leaves to the flowers. Try curling the leaves by rolling the paper around a pencil.