

Make Your Own Charizard

喷火龙 Pēn huǒ lóng

In Western culture dragons are perceived as a scary animal. However in Chinese culture dragons (龙 lóng) are seen as legendary creatures and symbolise great power and strength. They are caring, super friendly and guard the wind, rain, rivers and precious objects. The emperors of China were believed to have descended from dragons and this is why dragons can be seen on temples, palaces and in Chinese New Year celebrations too.

Like the idea of making a fun and adorable charizard?

It's EASY!

Follow the steps below and you'll have a unique fire breathing dragon.

Step 1: Get all your materials ready as seen below.



Step 2: Take the toilet roll tube and glue a piece of green paper around it.



Step 3: Take two wiggly eyes and stick them onto the green pom poms to make the dragon's eyes. When they are dry, then glue the eyes on top of the green tube you just made.



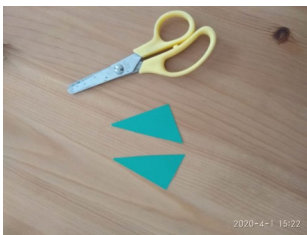
Step 4: Take two red pom poms to stick on the other end of the tube for the dragon's nose.



Step 5: Pick your favourite coloured crepe streamers and cut them in half down the middle so they are thinner. Then glue them onto the inside of the tube around edge.



Step 6: Cut 2 small triangles with a darker green paper for the dragon's ears.



Voila! Your super unique Charizard is ready for action.



Step 7: Take a deep breath and blow through the end of the tube where the dragon's eyes and ears are and watch the flames blow at the other end!

Take a photo of your Charizard and email it to Confucius.institute@adelaide.edu.au

The most unique and colourful dragon will be posted on the Confucius Institute website!!!