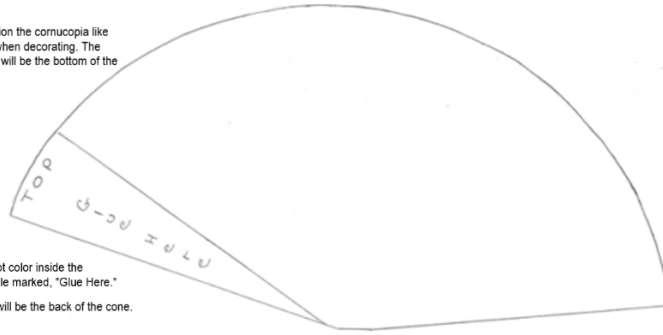# Cornucopia Instructions

Position the cornucopia like this when decorating. The point will be the bottom of the cone.

TOP

Glue Here

Do not color inside the triangle marked, "Glue Here."

This will be the back of the cone.

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You will need the following from home:

- printer and paper; scissors
- crayons or markers (Crayola markers were first sold in 1978.)
- glue stick
- hole punch
- yarn or crochet thread (about 12 inches)

Instructions:

1. Print the template. If you only want to make one cornucopia, cut out **one** of the patterns.
2. Position the cornucopia so the word, "TOP," is at the top and the point is at the bottom. (Look at the picture at the top of this page.)
3. Color the cornucopia. Be creative, but do NOT color inside the triangle where you see the words, "Glue Here." This will be the back of the cone when you glue it together.
4. Carefully place the glue inside the triangle where it says, "Glue Here."
5. Turn the cornucopia over so the point is at the top.
6. Take the right side of the cornucopia and roll it over the top of the left side where the glue is. Carefully line up the edge so that it covers the line and the top edges are lined up. You may need adult help to do this step.
7. Punch a hole near the top on the back where you joined the ends together.
8. Fold your yarn or crochet thread in half and tie the ends together. Slide the loop through the hole. Now take the knotted end over the top of the cornucopia and through the loop. Pull gently until the thread or yarn is snug against the cornucopia.

Historical Background:

The cornucopia ornament was popular from the early days of decorating trees well into the early twentieth century. Some of the ornaments were quite beautiful, using lace, tinsel, seals (stickers), and paper with printed designs. Families filled the cornucopia with nuts and candy.