MAKE A REUSABLE PARTY CROWN!

Make a fun party crown or add a personal touch to your eco-party and make your guests a party crown each.
Use scraps of fabric and make something special that can be used again and again, rather than throw away paper or plastic versions! You'll need an adult to help you with this one.

What you will need:

• Main (used) fabric for crown:
Old cotton (shirts, bedding), T-shirts, curtain fabric, pretty much anything!
• Fleece for lining: fleece blankets, old pyjamas/dressing gowns/ jumpers
• Two pieces of ribbon for tying - save the ribbon tied around new pyjamas or the hanging ribbons from inside the shoulders of tops are good!
• A4 piece of paper for your pattern
• Sewing equipment: scissors (paper and fabric scissors - if you have them), pins, sewing machine / needle and thread and a pen to draw your outline

Remember: It's important to ask before you use any fabric to make sure it's no longer wanted!

Hints and tips!

- We used Christmas fabric but you can use any fabric, perhaps your favourite colours or to go with your party theme!
- Make a party crown with friends over a video call as a good activity!
- Look out for fabric scraps!
  You could ask your local fabric shop or friends, family, neighbours who enjoy sewing
- Be environmentally aware and save old fabric from going into landfill!

1 HOUR PLUS

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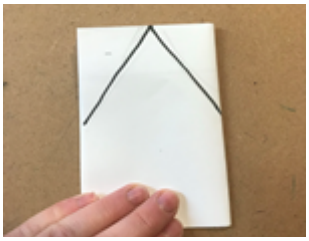
Creating your party crown...

Step One

Fold your A4 paper as shown in the image

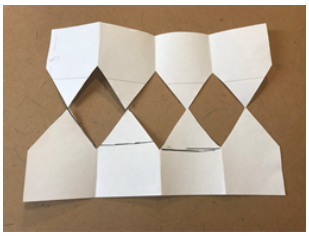
Step Two

Fold and mark a triangle. Cut along the pen lines



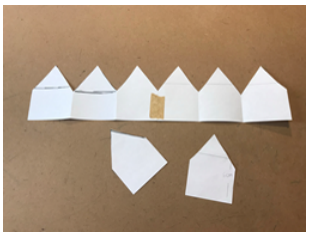
Step Three

Unfold paper and you're should be left with this



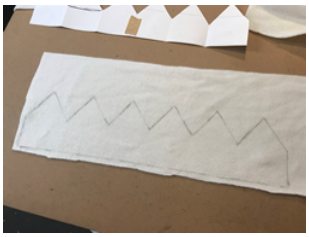
Step Four

Pull apart the two apart and tape the two pieces together. Cut off two of the triangles as shown (for a child's crown you may have to cut three off, measure around the child's head and reduce as required)



Step Five

Draw around the pattern onto the fleece. This line will be the line we sew onto.
Cut around the crown making sure you leave (at least) a 1cm seam allowance.



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Step Six

Pin to the main crown fabric, right sides together

Step Seven

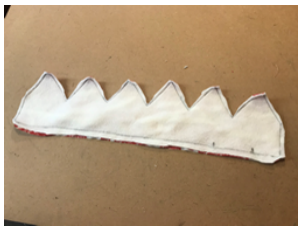
Pin one piece of ribbon inside one of the sides

Step Eight

Sew all around, leaving a gap at the opposite side

Step Nine

Trim around the sewing line, leaving more around the turning hole and cutting close to the inner part of the spikes as well as the points



Step Ten

Turn the right side out, poking out all the corners with a chopstick or the back of a paintbrush and the iron it.
Insert the other piece of ribbon into the turning hole and top stitch down the side.

Stitch down the other side too to make sure the ribbon is really secure. You can top stitch all the way around if you like.

You're all done!

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