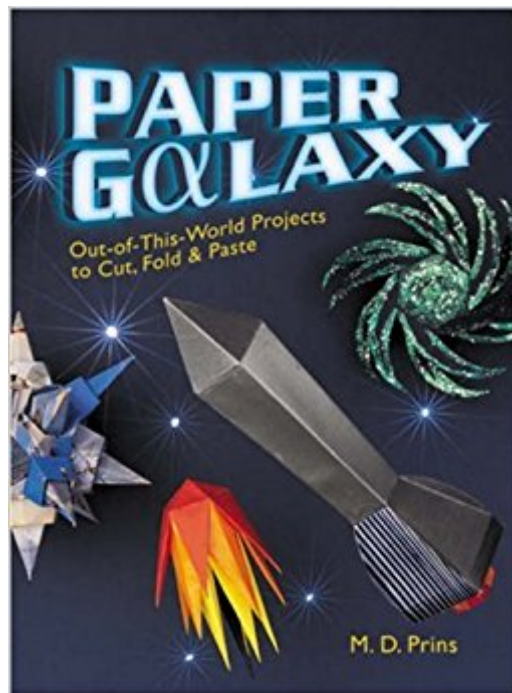




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Paper Galaxy: Out-of-This-World Projects To Cut, Fold & Paste



Synopsis

Welcome to the paper galaxy, a cosmic collection of fantastic three-dimensional, modular paper projects. Some are realistic (a meteorite), others fanciful (an alien ship), and they range from simple to elaborate. Just copy or trace the pattern; the instructions explain how; and then cut, paste, and paint the paper to construct sun bursts, stars, black holes, moons, comets, even Martians that you can decorate with antennae. Plus, take a tip on hanging and displaying your handiwork. Budding astronomers and artists will love every one...because they're all out of this world!

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Grade 6-10 "This colorful collection includes general instructions (tools and supplies, paper for projects, cutting, folding, gluing, and paper choices) and step-by-step detailed directions for 49 projects. The attractive layout combines text with excellent color photography and clear line drawings. The exciting projects include space trivia. Suggestions are given for transferring patterns (photocopier, scanner, templates). Anyone who is intrigued by the galaxy will find dozens of ideas for crafting enjoyment. However, patience, perseverance, and skill are called for in these eye-catching paper delights "a thunderbolt, a trapezium, a sunburst, a meteorite, spiral nebula, a comet, a quasar, Sedna, Pollux, and more." Augusta R. Malvagno, Queens Borough Public

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Gr. 6-9. Practiced paper crafters scouting for real challenges will find them in abundance here. Prins offers patterns to trace or copy for 49 projects, nearly all of which require attaching spiky, 3-D rays to one of 24 geometric bases with glued tabs. The models are mostly stars, with the occasional spaceship or alien slipped in. Each comes with clear directions (though no specific advice about gluing technique, which in several cases would have been a great help), plus a color photo of a project that has been finished with almost preternatural neatness. Endowed with titles both descriptive ("Asteroid," "Andromeda Galaxy") and fanciful ("Cimmerian Night," "Galactic Chaos"), the constructs are flashy and--given steady hands, patience, and large quantities of glue--doable. John Peters Copyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Was too difficult for a 10 year old - too many steps and the parts too tiny.

I bought this book for my grandsons because they had signed a copy out of our library and were so disappointed that they couldn't make everything in it. They are really happy to have their own, and the projects are so wonderfully made and colourful. Don't hesitate to buy this if you are looking for really sharp projects for your boys (or girls) to try - you won't be sorry, and it will keep them entertained for hours and hours.

This is an excellent book of fascinating projects that will delight anyone who has an interest in the Galaxy, geometric models or who simply enjoys creating paper models or mobiles. The book contains all the information, directions and patterns to construct 49 eye-catching models. At first glance, one might think that all one has to do is to cut out the patterns in the book and construct the models. Not only that, one thinks this would result in the book being cut up and useless. Fear not, there is no need to destroy the book, nor could one, to construct the models. Instructions are given to copy the patterns and make templates to make the pieces. In most cases multiple pieces are needed to make the models. For example, to make Sedna, on page 84, 6 multiples of point 1, and 6 multiples of point 2 must be made. Also, the book does not "come with" the paper needed to construct the models; but instructions concerning the required paper is given; therefore the colors of the completed models will be dependent on the paper you use. The good thing about it all is that

several people can make the same model or one can make several of the same model. As a group project, this would be excellent; with some work done in advance by the group leader; again without ruining the book. I would be doing this book an injustice, if I didn't point out that the models in the book are much more interesting and spectacular than shown on the cover.

I received a copy of this book for Christmas, and was apprehensive, since I am not a detail person and often get frustrated by crafts that require any kind of precision. But these patterns are clear and easy to follow, and the results are incredible! I used some clearance scrapbook paper from the craft store, and it's the perfect weight for these patterns: light and easy to cut, but sturdy enough to hold up well when finished. A note on glue: use Elmer's white glue, as it produces the best results. Glue sticks do not have the strength to hold the paper together, and crazy glue tends to dry on one's fingers, leading to ripped paper when you try to pull the project away. Stick with the school glue!

This is a wonderful book, my son started making things as soon as he got it. I love the fact that he's reading without being asked. The instructions are easy to follow and he enjoys being creative.

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