



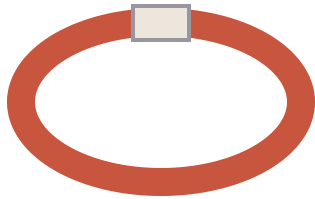
How to make your chain

Ready in about 30 minutes · glue stick or tape



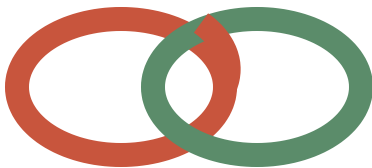
1. Cut

A grown-up cuts out the strips along the dashed lines. Cardstock or regular paper both work.



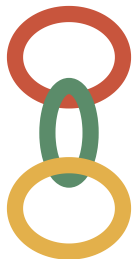
2. Make the first loop

Start with link 1. Curl it into a loop with the words on the outside and glue or tape the end onto the GLUE tab.



3. Add the next link

Thread link 2 through the first loop and glue it. Keep going in order: 3, 4, 5... all the way to 24.



4. Hang & count down

Hang the chain with link 1 at the top. Starting December 1, tear off the bottom link each day and do the fun idea or read the joke!

Good to know: link 24 comes off on December 1 and link 1 on December 24 — every link also shows its date. Use the coloring version for a fun first activity. Write your own family traditions on the blank links and swap one in for any day you like. Grown-ups do all the cutting.



Countdown links 1–8

Cut along the dashed lines · words go on the outside

GLUE

1
DAY TO GO
DEC 24

TODAY'S FUN

It's Christmas Eve! Leave a treat for Santa and go to bed early.



GLUE

2
DAYS TO GO
DEC 23

TODAY'S FUN

Watch a cozy Christmas movie with popcorn.



GLUE

3
DAYS TO GO
DEC 22

JOKE OF THE DAY

What says "oh oh oh"?
Santa walking backward!



GLUE

4
DAYS TO GO
DEC 21

TODAY'S FUN

Hide a small toy and give clues until someone finds it.



GLUE

5
DAYS TO GO
DEC 20

TODAY'S FUN

Bake or decorate cookies with a grown-up.



GLUE

6
DAYS TO GO
DEC 19

JOKE OF THE DAY

Why was the Christmas tree bad at knitting?
It kept dropping its needles!



GLUE

7
DAYS TO GO
DEC 18

TODAY'S FUN

Name 3 things you are thankful for.



GLUE

8
DAYS TO GO
DEC 17

TODAY'S FUN

Freeze dance! Play a song and freeze when it stops.

