Make a paper spinner

Materials list

Spinner template · Paper · Crayons · Scissors

Make it together

Cut the solid lines

Decorate the spinner. With a grown-up’s help, cut its outline, the top center slit and the two short side cuts.

Fold the dashed lines

Fold the blades in opposite directions. Fold the lower sides inward, then fold the bottom tab up.

Try a flight

Stand on the floor and let it fall into a clear space. Change one blade fold and try again. What changes?

Air pushes on the blades as the spinner falls. Changing a fold can change its flight.

Draw what happened and save your experiment in Little Binder.

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