

Paper Valentines Fortune Cookies

A paper fortune cookie is easy to make with a paper circle and 2 simple folds. It's a fun alternative to a traditional greeting card or a nifty way to send a secret message to a friend. You can also use them like traditional fortune cookies at a family dinner.

What you need

- coloured/patterned paper for the fortune cookie
- white paper strips for the fortunes
- pencil/scissors
- glue stick
- colourful pens (for writing your messages)



Instructions:

PREPARE YOUR FORTUNES FIRST

Start by preparing your fortunes. If you want your fortunes to stick out of the cookies, cut your strips a little longer than the width of your circle. Cut them a bit shorter if you want the fortune hidden inside of the cookie.



HOW TO MAKE THE "COOKIE"

1. Trace a circle on a piece of paper and cut it out. 4-5 inches across is a good size.
2. Dab a bit of glue inside the top edge of the circle. Match the bottom edge up with it, and pinch until the two pieces stick together. **Do not** press a crease along the centrefold.
3. **Insert your paper fortune now** before you fold up your cookie.



4. To fold your fortune cookie, continue holding the glued edge with one hand. With the other hand, hold the ends of the fortune cookie with your thumb and middle finger.

5. Press your forefinger into the centre of the cookie.

6. As you press in, use your other hand to guide the back edge into a fold that kind of “hugs” the cookie as it folds. (see above photo)
7. Once folded, if your cookie is a little lopsided, slide your fingers into the cookie, and rub gently to even things out.
8. Dab a bit of glue into the fold and pinch your fortune cookie together until it holds.



That's all there is to it!

