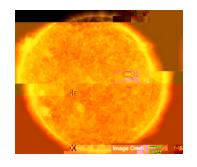


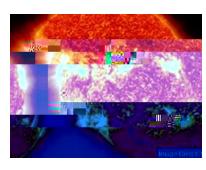
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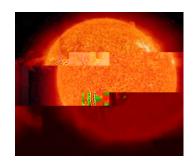
Create a Suncatcher!

The Sun is a star, a hot ball of glowing gases in the center of our solar system.

Create a suncatcher inspired by images of our Sun!









Materials: peeled crayons (choose warm colors such as red, yellow, and orange), tool for shaving the crayons (pencil sharpener or vegetable peeler), wax paper, iron and ironing board, two pieces of old fabric, scissors, yellow construction paper (or white paper and yellow paint), glue.

Peel and shave the crayons. Protect the ironing board with an old cloth, place a sheet of wax paper on the cloth, add the crayon shavings, and add another sheet of wax paper. Finally, place another piece of old cloth on top to protect the iron.







Use the hot iron for a few seconds to melt the crayon shavings. Be careful: the melted crayons will be hot! While the wax cools, make sun rays and cut them out (be sure to cut the center out!). Next, cut the cooled wax paper into a circle and glue it to the back of your sun rays. Finally, hold your suncatcher up to the light to see it glow!







