



## *May Day Basket-Making*



1. Using a fairly (but not too-) heavy-stock paper, cut out a rectangle (8.5" X 11" works well). Construction paper works great!
2. Decorate the paper with flowers or spring designs, if you'd like.
3. Have two pieces of tape ready to go!
4. Roll the paper into a cone (it's ok if the bottom doesn't completely seal), and tape it securely.
5. Cut the top of the cone so that it is fairly even (so that if you put the cone upside-down on a table, it would stand securely).
6. Punch two holes about one inch apart (with a hole punch or a sharp pencil) at the open end of the cone (larger end) on the least-attractive side.
7. Tie a ribbon so you create a large enough loop to hang the basket on a door knob.
8. Gather flowers together in a bunch that will fit in the cone. Make sure the bunch isn't too tall or it will tip the cone basket over when it hangs!
9. Give your bunch of flowers a fresh cut with scissors.
10. Wet a paper towel and squeeze most of the water out, then wrap the bottom of your bouquet with the wet towel.
11. Cut a piece of aluminum foil and cover the wet paper towel and flower stems so that no water leaks out.
12. Include a cheery note to remind your neighbor that you are thinking of them.
13. Place the bouquet in the cone basket and hang on a neighbor's door!

### *One more idea:*

If you have old party hats, they make great cone baskets! Just remove the elastic string and add your own hanging ribbon!